

Northern Coastal Highway Bridging Connections, Broadening Horizons

“Both the road and air connectivity will help spur the agriculture and tourism industries in the region.”

- Datuk Amar Awang Tengah Ali Hasan, Deputy Chief Minister

Monday, 26 April 2021, Kuching – The meeting between Malaysia’s Prime Minister and Ruler of Brunei Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah earlier this month was an occasion to celebrate.

Among the highlights of the meeting was the positive development of a potential Reciprocal Green Lane (RGL) between Malaysia and Brunei that will facilitate business and official travel between both countries.

The RGL benefits from developments like the Pan Borneo Highway and the upcoming Northern Coastal Highway (NCH).

Apart from linking Miri, Limbang, and Lawas to neighbouring cities, NCH will also connect Sarawak to Sabah and neighbors Brunei and potentially Indonesia. As such, NCH enables Sarawakians and Sabahans to enjoy the privileges of the Malaysia-Brunei RGL regardless of their locality.

Both the RGL and NCH will prove a complementary development towards spurring trade within the Brunei-Indonesia-Malaysia and the Philippines East Asean Growth (BIMP-EAGA) zone.

As PMC, Maltimur has an integral role in ensuring the completion of the NCH.

Currently, NCH is concluding the Pre-Value Engineering Lab (PRE-VE) series - the most recent discussions focused on Geotechnical aspects. Once these details are finalised, the Value Engineering exercise can be completed. The entire NCH proposal will go to the Government of Sarawak for one last round of confirmation before tendering for works can proceed. These activities are expected to take place this year.

The prospect of contributing towards better international relations and nurturing our economy, in particular - opening up Sarawak’s northern powerhouse potential - is indeed exciting. Be sure to watch this space for further developments from our NCH PMC team!



3D Highway Modelling of the Northern Coastal Highway