

Pre-VE 9.2 - A Live Remote Exercise Progressing The Northern Coastal Highway Project

Tuesday, 8 June 2021, Kuching – Although MCO 3.0 has imposed an embargo on many activities, it has been business as usual for Maltimur's Northern Coastal Highway (NCH) PMC team.

Pre-VE 9.2 commenced online last week. Focused on Geo-technical Rates and Quantity Analysis, specifically design optimization, cost capturing and design justification by the consultants, the Pre-VE was attended by RECODA, consultants, Maltimur's NCH team, and other stakeholders.

Design optimization continues till today. Efforts to conclude have been affected by the current lockdown.

Next for the NCH project following the conclusion of Pre-VE 9.2 will be the Value Engineering (VE) exercise. This will be followed by the tendering process, appointment of contractors and launch of the NCH project on ground.

While still in the planning stage, it's certainly been a 'long road' for the NCH project. Very detailed pre-value engineering sessions have sought to leave no stone unturned. Tedious but much needed to justify and optimize design and costs.

Added to the mix are the challenges of COVID-19. Combined, this perfect storm has served to make the RECODA - NCH PMC - Consultants team are a stronger force today, raring and ready to go to the ground to deliver a highway to connect Sarawak's north.

