

Work to Start on Seremban-Nilai Link

Construction of a new RM160 million interchange at Km267.8 between Seremban and Nilai will start next month and due for completion in 2014. The interchange, with a 12-lane toll plaza, will link to the state road N38, Jalan Labu and Sime Darby's Bandar Ainsdale, and is expected to benefit more than 40,000 road users. Malaysian Highway Authority (MHA) director-general Datuk Ismail Md. Salleh said they needed to be careful in planning the massive work as it was a busy stretch. "We are in the process of digging soil before starting to build the interchange. It may need some time but if everything goes well, we can start work next month," he said. The construction of the proposed fourth lane at several spots along the highway, aimed at easing congestion, would cost RM1.4 billion and could take up to four years to complete. He said highway concessionaire Plus Malaysia Berhad would pay for the project, which would start simultaneously this month and due for completion in 2015. The project covers the Shah Alam-Sungai Buloh stretch involving 16.1km, Bukit Lanjan-Jalan Duta toll (7km), Sungai Buloh-Rawang (13.1km) and north Nilai-Seremban (27km).

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