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MALAYSIA'S BIGGEST NIGHT CYCLING RIDE RETURNS

Kuala Lumpur – The sixth edition of the LEKAS Highway night cycling ride returns on 27 July this year, featuring local and international cyclists from across the region. The RHB LEKAS Highway Ride 2019 is a collaboration between RHB Banking Group and Lebuhraya Kajang-Seremban Sdn Bhd (LEKAS Highway), a member of IJM Corporation Berhad's Toll Division. It is the only night cycling event held in the nation on a fully lighted up and closed highway.

More than 4,500 people of all ages and nationalities are expected to participate in the race this year. The categories include the 120km, 78km, 17km and 12km routes starting at Kajang Selatan Toll Plaza and ending at Lebuhraya Kajang Seremban E21 (LEKAS Highway).

Dato' Khairussaleh Ramli, Group Managing Director of RHB Banking Group at the launch held at IJM ICE Gallery at Pantai Sentral Park today said, "RHB Lekas Highway Ride has become one of the most sought after cycling events in the country, probably even ASEAN, and it has also attracted a wide spectrum of cycling enthusiasts from diverse backgrounds and nationalities. Last year, we had more than 4,500 cyclists participating from 25 countries. This year, as part of RHB's Health & Wellness Ecosystem, we have also partnered with more than 15 merchants to offer participants and our customers with promotional deals at Cycling- and Healthy Living-related stores. Those holding RHB credit and/or debit cards will now be able to enjoy discounts of up to 20% at selected outlets."

Dato' Soam Heng Choon, Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director of IJM Corporation Berhad said, "We are thrilled to return as the venue sponsor as we put a lot of value into associating the IJM brand with promoting community spirit and healthy activities that we can all enjoy. More than a gathering of passionate cyclists, this event is a reflection of our commitment to promote responsible and safe cycling. This year, participants can once again have fun with their friends and families, riding on a totally closed highway. For the past editions of the race, we have received outstanding support from the LEKAS team, Malaysian

Highway Authority and the Royal Malaysia Police, without whom our annual enjoyment of riding on a closed highway would simply not have been possible.”

LEKAS has obtained the necessary approvals from the relevant authorities such as the Ministry of Works, the Royal Malaysia Police and Malaysia Highway Authority. Road closure and traffic management measures will start from 5.00pm on 27 July 2019 until 3.00am on 28 July 2019. Road closure information will be disseminated to the public through various media.

“As an important sporting event in Malaysia at amateur and competitive levels, we hope it will promote cycling for families and build healthier, safer and more vibrant communities,” said Albertt Leong, Race Director of GoSportz.

Categories for the 120km race are ‘Open’ (men/women aged 22 years and above), ‘Veteran’ (men aged 45 years and above) and the ‘Corporate/Open Team’ (men/women aged 22 years and above). Fees for these categories are RM170 (for individual registration, RM150 for early birds) or RM2,000 per Corporate/Open team.

Categories for the 78km race are ‘Open’ (men/women aged 22 years and above), ‘Veteran’ (men aged 45 years and above), and the ‘Young Adults’ (boys/girls between the ages of 17 and 21 years). Fees for these categories are RM160 (RM140 for early birds). IJM Land Berhad, a member of the IJM Group, continues to sponsor 100 participants under the Young Adults’ Category for the fifth consecutive year.

Meanwhile, the Fun Ride has three categories, which are the 17km VIP (by invitation only), the 17km Teens (ages 13 to 16 years) and the 12km Children (ages 10 to 12 years). The categories for teens and children are fully sponsored by IJM; however, a RM20 refundable deposit per participant is required upon registration.

Online registration is now open and will close on 19 May 2019. The early bird registration closes on 7 April 2019. Participants can register at www.lekashighwayride.my. Participants will receive an event jersey/t-shirt, a goodie bag, a personalised bib number, a timing chip, a finisher medal, an e-certificate and refreshments.

For more information, visit www.lekashighwayride.my

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About Lebuhraya Kajang-Seremban Sdn Bhd

LEKAS Highway offers the alternative route from Kajang to Seremban, Senawang and Kuala Pilah. The 44.3 km highway starts at Kajang Selatan in Selangor and ends at Paroi in Negeri Sembilan. There are nine interchanges along the highway at Kajang Selatan, Semenyih, Eco Majestic, Pajam, Mantin, Setul, Ulu Temiang, Ampangan and Paroi. Users also can find several places of interest are accessible such as Mantin, Broga Hill, the Jeram Toi Waterfall, ostrich farm in Jelebu, Istana Seri Menanti and Seremban International Golf Club. Two rest and service areas are located on each side of the highway at Beranang, between the Semenyih and Eco Majestic Interchange. For those who travelling from Kuala Lumpur would find the highway a convenient way to get to Kuala Pilah and states of Pahang and Johor. To get onto LEKAS highway, one has to take exit 1804A that is accessible from the SILK Highway, Cheras-Kajang Highway and the South Klang Valley (SKVE) towards the SILK Highway. From PLUS North-South Highway, LEKAS Highway can be accessed through Kajang Exit 210 near Country Heights towards via SILK Highway towards Seremban, Kuala Pilah, Melaka and Johor. From MRR2, the highway can be accessed via Cheras-Kajang Highway (Grand Saga). With the abolishment of toll collection at Batu 11 Toll Plaza (towards Kajang Bound) and Batu 9 Toll Plaza (towards KL Bound), user can save money and reach destination earlier. From the south, the road user also can access LEKAS through PLUS North-South Highway at Senawang Exit 220, Port Dickson Exit 219 and Nilai /Pajam Exit 215. Seremban is also accessible from Setul or Paroi as well as Ampangan.

About GoSportz Sdn Bhd

GoSportz Sdn Bhd's principal business is in sport marketing and event management. It has vast experience in sports event organisation and management since 2013 and is backed by a group of industry players with more than 20 years of experience in organising sports events such as triathlon, duathlon, running and cycling events in Malaysia and abroad. GoSportz Sdn Bhd's total event management solution ranges from initiation, resource planning, technical advisory, equipment rental, human resource support, marketing support to sponsorship management.