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## **AFA Infrastructure and Development Advancing Malaysia's Connectivity and Sustainability**

*Introducing a new identity with a focus on improving highways, supporting local communities and promoting sustainable practices*

**KUALA LUMPUR, 29 NOVEMBER 2024** - In a transformative step for Malaysia's infrastructure landscape, **AFA Infrastructure and Development Sdn Bhd (AFA)** officially launches its new identity, marking an important milestone in its efforts to enhance Malaysia's transportation infrastructure. With its recent acquisition of ANIH Berhad, AFA now manages two critical expressways: the Kuala Lumpur-Karak Expressway (KLK) and the East Coast Expressway 1 (LPT1).

The change reflects AFA's commitment to provide safe, efficient and sustainable infrastructure solutions, aligned with Malaysia's development goals. The company operates through three divisions:

- **AFA PRIME Berhad (formerly ANIH Berhad)**, the highway concessionaire of KL-Karak and LPT1 Expressways.
- **AFA Construction & Engineering Sdn Bhd (formerly Alloy Maintenance Engineering Sdn Bhd)**, specialising in maintenance and engineering services for highways and related infrastructure.
- **AFA System & Services Sdn Bhd (formerly Alloy Toll Management Sdn Bhd)**, focusing on toll management and collections.

This consolidation allows AFA to deliver end-to-end infrastructure solutions, aligning closely with Malaysia's national development goals. Targeting an annual revenue growth of 2% to 3%, AFA is focused on strengthening Malaysia's infrastructure, creating job opportunities, and stimulating regional economies to accelerate national development goals.

Tan Sri Azmil Khalili Khalid, AFA Group Chairman said, "The establishment of AFA marks an important step in our collaboration with the government to enhance Malaysia's infrastructure and economic resilience. Our unified mission is to create a transportation network that not only strengthens the nation's connectivity but also uplifts local communities and drives sustainable development. Together with key stakeholders, AFA is committed to delivering infrastructure projects that will propel Malaysia forward in alignment with its economic and social goals."

**KL-Karak Widening Project**



AFA's upcoming KL-Karak Widening Project exemplifies its commitment to enhancing connectivity and safety. With a budget of RM2.1 billion, the project addresses congestion and safety challenges on one of Malaysia's busiest highways. Scheduled to begin in January 2025, this 48-month project is anticipated to significantly improve travel efficiency, reduce accident risks, and stimulate economic activity along the East Coast corridor. Key upgrades include:

- Expanding from dual three-lanes to dual four-lanes with a new two-lane tunnel from Gombak Toll Plaza to Genting Sempah.
- Upgrading from dual two-lanes to dual three-lanes from Genting Sempah to Bentong Toll Plaza.
- Incorporating advanced safety measures such as slope stabilisation, upgraded traffic management systems, and wider shoulders to support better incident management.

### **LPT1 Flood Mitigation Project**

Recognising the challenges posed by flooding along the LPT1 Expressway, AFA is launching the Flood Mitigation Project to improve highway resilience during adverse weather. With a budget of RM200 million, this project is expected to be completed in December 2028. The project focuses on minimising disruptions and ensuring safety for road users. Enhancements include:

- Drainage system upgrades to manage larger water volumes effectively.
- Culvert extensions and strengthening to improve water flow and structural integrity.
- Road elevation in flood-prone areas to prevent waterlogging and maintain access.
- Slope and embankment stabilisation to prevent soil erosion and landslides.
- Strategic vegetation management to improve water absorption and minimise runoff.

"As we embark on the KL-Karak Widening and LPT1 Flood Mitigation projects, AFA is not just addressing immediate infrastructure needs but laying the groundwork for a resilient and efficient transportation network that meets future demands. These initiatives reflect our holistic approach—prioritising both the safety of road users and the sustainability of the ecosystems we operate within. By combining innovation in engineering with practical solutions, we aim to set new benchmarks for infrastructure development that benefits Malaysians for generations to come," Tan Sri Azmil added.

### **Sustainability Initiatives**

Sustainability remains central to AFA's operations, with initiatives aligned with Malaysia's National Energy Transition Roadmap (NETR) and net-zero emissions as early as 2050. The company is exploring solar panel installations at rest areas to harness renewable energy, deploying electric vehicle (EV) charging stations along expressways, and integrating



eco-friendly construction materials to reduce environmental impact. AFA is actively tracking its carbon footprint, reinforcing its dedication to transparency and environmental stewardship.

### **Looking Ahead**

AFA remains focused on delivering practical infrastructure solutions that address the needs of road users and local communities. By improving connectivity and integrating sustainable practices, AFA aims to play a meaningful role in Malaysia's growth and modernisation.

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### **About AFA Infrastructure and Development Sdn Bhd**

AFA Infrastructure and Development Sdn Bhd is a Malaysian infrastructure provider specialising in highway operations, maintenance and toll systems. Through its three entities: AFA PRIME Berhad, AFA Construction & Engineering Sdn Bhd, and AFA System & Services Sdn Bhd, the company aims to deliver safe, efficient and sustainable infrastructure solutions that benefit the nation.

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