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MALAYSIAN CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2026



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ABOUT MCIEA 2026

FOR 25 years, the Malaysian Construction Industry Excellence Awards (MCIEA) have served as a national platform for recognising outstanding achievements across Malaysia's construction industry. Presented by CIDB Malaysia, the awards honour excellence at three levels – contractors, individuals and projects – reflecting the breadth of contribution required to build and sustain the nation's built environment.

MCIEA 2026 features three award groups. The Contractor Awards cover performance across different scales and areas of practice, from the Best Contractor Awards for CIDB Grades G1 to G6 and Builder of the Year for G7 contractors, to Excellence in Facilities Management and International Achievement. The Individual Awards honour Outstanding Young Contractor, Changemaker and Prominent Player, while the Best Project Awards recognise achievement in building and infrastructure delivery.

Together, these categories show that excellence is not confined to completed structures. It also lies in leadership, innovation, operational strength, long-term contribution and the people shaping the future of the industry.

For project awards, excellence is assessed beyond the finished structure. The Best Project Award considers project planning and management, technical strength, construction quality, innovation and best practices, safety and environmental management, and project impact and value. Building and infrastructure projects are further classified as Small, Medium or Major according to contract value.

Participation is subject to defined eligibility and assessment requirements. Shortlisted entries may be required to submit supporting documents and make a formal presentation to the jury. CIDB also sets specific conditions for participation, including requirements relating to disciplinary action, levy payments, contractor grades and site safety.

Beyond recognition, MCIEA recipients receive the MCIEA Trophy and Certificate of Excellence, as well as the privilege of using the official MCIEA Award logo in corporate and marketing communications for one year. Winning projects and organisations may also receive publicity through CIDB's official platforms and publications.

As MCIEA marks 25 years of recognising construction excellence, its value lies not only in celebrating winners, but in documenting the standards, capabilities and achievements that continue to shape Malaysia's construction industry.



CE'S MESSAGE

IT is my privilege to welcome you to the Malaysian Construction Industry Excellence Awards (MCIEA) 2026.

Malaysia's construction industry enters this year's awards at an important moment. In 2025, the sector recorded RM178.6 billion in work done value, a strong increase of 12.5% from the previous year. In the first half of 2026, work done reached RM94.3 billion, rising 8.7% compared with the same period in 2025. These figures reflect both the scale of the industry and its continuing role in Malaysia's development.

Yet construction excellence cannot be measured by output alone: quality, safety, productivity and sustainability remain fundamental, while digitalisation, innovation and the ability to manage increasingly complex projects are becoming essential to how we build.

Since its introduction in 2000, MCIEA has provided a platform to recognise contractors, projects and individuals who demonstrate these qualities. As MCIEA marks 25 years of recognising construction excellence, it continues to celebrate achievements that raise standards, strengthen industry confidence and advance our built environment.



MCIEA 2026 builds on this legacy with three new awards: the Outstanding Young Contractor Award, the Changemaker Award and the Excellence in Facilities Management Award. Their introduction reflects a broader understanding of excellence – recognising not only what we build, but also the people and practices that help the industry progress.

This is particularly relevant as Malaysia enters the next phase of construction transformation. In February 2026, CIDB launched the Construction Action Plan 2026–2030 (CAP30), a five-year action plan to strengthen the construction sector and support the implementation of the National Construction Policy 2030.

Technology will play an important role in this transformation. CIDB's Construction 4.0 agenda has identified 12 technologies that could shape the future of construction, including Building Information Modelling (BIM), the Internet of Things and artificial intelligence. But technology alone will not transform the industry: it must be supported by skilled people, strong collaboration, safety, quality and a commitment to developing the next generation of construction professionals.

MCIEA therefore serves a purpose beyond recognition: by showcasing outstanding achievements, it offers examples for the wider industry to learn from, build on and aspire towards.

As we celebrate this year's recipients, let us also look ahead. The future of Malaysian construction will depend on how well we combine technology with human capability, productivity with sustainability, and ambitious development with lasting value.

To all participants, thank you for your commitment to strengthening Malaysia's construction industry. To this year's winners, congratulations on your achievements. May your work continue to raise standards and help shape an industry that builds not only for today, but for generations to come.

Sr Ahmad Farrin Mokhtar
Chief Executive, CIDB

RECOGNISING EXCELLENCE:
THE MCIEA 2026 HONOUREES

PROMINENT PLAYER AWARD
DATO' TENGKU AB. AZIZ BIN TENGKU MAHMUD

CHANGEMAKER AWARD
JOHN-SON OEI – EPIC HOMES

OUTSTANDING YOUNG CONTRACTOR AWARD
YEOH KEONG YUAN - SYARIKAT PEMBENAAN YEOH TIONG LAY SDN BHD (YTL CONSTRUCTION)

SPECIAL MENTION
NURUL AIN BINTI NORIZAM – THURSINAR CORPORATION SDN BHD

INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
GAMUDA BERHAD SINGAPORE BRANCH

BUILDER OF THE YEAR AWARD (GRADE G7)
IJM CONSTRUCTION SDN BHD

SPECIAL MENTION
ACRE WORKS SDN BHD

EXCELLENCE IN FACILITIES MANAGEMENT AWARD
MEDIVEST SDN BHD

BEST PROJECT AWARDS (BUILDING & INFRASTRUCTURE)

BEST PROJECT AWARD – BUILDING (MAJOR CATEGORY)
SUNWAY SQUARE
Contractor: Sunway Construction Sdn Bhd
Client: Sunway South Quay Sdn Bhd

BEST PROJECT AWARD – BUILDING (MEDIUM CATEGORY)
Bukit Kayu Hitam Inland Clearance Depot (ICD)
Contractor: Rimarisan Sdn Bhd
Client: Bukit Kayu Hitam ICD Sdn Bhd (Subsidiary of PKT Logistics Group)

BEST PROJECT AWARD – BUILDING (SMALL CATEGORY)
Pejabat Pendidikan Perlis (Perlis State Education Office)
Contractor: Pedati Teguh Sdn Bhd
Client: Perlis State Education Department

BEST PROJECT AWARD – INFRASTRUCTURE (MAJOR CATEGORY)
Gemas-Johor Bahru Electrified Double Track
Main contractor: CRCC-CREC-CCCC Consortium
Local main subcontractor: SIPP-YTL JV
Client: Ministry of Transport

BEST PROJECT AWARD – INFRASTRUCTURE (MEDIUM CATEGORY)
Upgrading of Jambatan Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah, Temerloh, Pahang
Contractor: Cergas Murni Sdn Bhd
Client: Ministry of Works

BEST PROJECT AWARD – INFRASTRUCTURE (SMALL CATEGORY)
Jalan Redong-Selancar-Felda Redong (Phase 2), Segamat, Johor
Contractor: Serangkai Indah Sdn Bhd
Client: Ministry of Rural and Regional Development

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARDS

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G1)
Sinar Development

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G2)
Semuja Engineering

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G3)
Surface Splendour Enterprise

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G4)
Millenium Glotech Resources (M) Sdn Bhd

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G5)
Tuah Energy Kenyalang Sdn Bhd

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G6)
Eco Footprint Sdn Bhd

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS 2026

THIS year's Individual Awards categories celebrate excellence and recognise the exceptional individuals driving transformation across Malaysia's construction industry. These three categories honour people who embody the qualities that define industry leadership – from emerging innovators who are shaping the future to visionary changemakers championing new technologies and established players whose sustained contributions have fundamentally moulded Malaysia's built environment.

We spotlight three distinct expressions of excellence across the industry:

PROMINENT PLAYER AWARD

CHANGEMAKER AWARD

OUTSTANDING YOUNG CONTRACTOR AWARD

Each category represents a different dimension of leadership, yet all celebrate individuals whose impact extends beyond themselves – guiding practices, inspiring peers and building the foundation for Malaysia's construction industry to thrive.

DATO' TENGKU AB. AZIZ WINS PROMINENT PLAYER AWARD

The vision behind a national icon

A skyscraper can be measured quickly. Height, floor count and engineering records give it an instant place in a global ranking. A precinct takes longer to understand.

That distinction sits at the heart of Dato' Tengku Ab. Aziz bin Tengku Mahmud's work on Menara Merdeka Maybank, formerly known as Menara Merdeka 118. The 678.9m tower may dominate Kuala Lumpur's southern skyline, but the project he led was never conceived as a stand-alone tower.

Dato' Tengku Aziz was appointed founding CEO of PNB Merdeka Ventures Sdn Berhad in 2010. From there, his responsibilities covered project vision and master planning, design development, procurement strategy, construction implementation, stakeholder coordination, heritage conservation and sustainability integration. He stepped down as CEO at the end of December 2025 and now serves in an advisory capacity.

The experience brought together several strands of a career already spanning more than four decades in engineering, construction, property development and urban planning. A civil engineering graduate of Loughborough University with an MBA from Cranfield Institute of Technology, Dato' Tengku Aziz previously led Sime Darby Property and Guthrie Property and served as President of FIABCI Malaysia. In recognition of his distinguished leadership, extensive industry experience and lasting contributions to Malaysia's built environment, Dato' Tengku Aziz has been awarded the Prominent Player Award at MCIEA 2026.

Supertall construction is complicated wherever it is attempted. For the tower, the team had to manage deep foundation works and major construction activity alongside two national heritage structures. International consultants and multidisciplinary teams had to be coordinated across a long delivery programme, while procurement and cost decisions remained under constant scrutiny.

"On a project that takes 15 years, you cannot anticipate everything. COVID-19 was something nobody had planned for, and one difficult decision was whether to maintain the project team. Looking back, it was the right decision. We had built up years of knowledge and experience of the Merdeka 118 Precinct, and that continuity would have been very difficult to replace," he said.



> **"SUCCESS IS MEASURED BY THE VIBRANCY THE DEVELOPMENT BRINGS BEYOND ITS BOUNDARIES."**
> – DATO' TENGKU AB. AZIZ BIN TENGKU MAHMUD, ADVISOR, PNB MERDEKA VENTURES

The result is now physically impossible to miss. Menara Merdeka Maybank is Malaysia's tallest building and the second tallest in the world. Yet the more interesting measure of the project may be what happens at ground level.

"From the beginning, we were conscious that this was not an ordinary development site. We were building a modern tower next to Stadium Merdeka and Stadium Negara, which have their own history and significance. The challenge was to introduce something of this scale without competing with what was already there. A lot of attention therefore went into how the new development and heritage assets would relate to each other, from entrances and public spaces to pedestrian movement," he said.

Sustainability, he added, must be part of the thinking from the beginning. At this scale, it cannot be reduced to visible green features. It has to influence the building envelope, services, energy demand, water use and material choices, as well as how the asset performs over decades. The tower is the world's tallest building to achieve triple platinum ratings under LEED, GreenRE and GBI.

The Merdeka 118 Precinct aims to bring new investment, activity and visitors into an established part of the city, using the landmark project as an anchor while strengthening connections with the surrounding area. "We have always said that we do not want the tower to become an island. We are next to established communities and destinations, and visitors should not only visit the tower. They can also walk to Chinatown, visit Petaling Street and experience the surrounding heritage areas. The measure of success is whether the development brings more vibrancy to this part of the city and creates activity beyond the project boundary," he explained.



The integrated Merdeka 118 Precinct brings together heritage, commercial and public spaces.

For younger Malaysian project leaders, Dato' Tengku Aziz's message is not to look at a major project only in terms of the building itself. "You have to look at the whole development and understand how it affects the area around it. You have to think about infrastructure, mobility, accessibility, sustainability and heritage. Building something new does not mean disregarding what was there before. You have to understand the context and find a way for the different elements to work together," he advised.

After almost 15 years spent taking the Merdeka 118 Precinct from an idea towards reality, that may be the most useful way to understand Dato' Tengku Aziz's contribution. He helped deliver one of the tallest buildings on Earth. The larger task was to make sure it belonged where it landed.



Solar panels reflect the project's commitment to sustainability.

> Video Feature



Giving people from different walks of life a platform to engage with one another.

THE HOUSE IS ONLY THE BEGINNING: CHANGEMAKER AWARD

A house can be counted. A relationship is harder to measure. That distinction has shaped much of John-Son Oei's work through EPIC, the social enterprise he co-founded in 2010. Its flagship programme, EPIC Homes, began with a practical problem: how to provide safe housing for Orang Asli families living in difficult conditions, often in remote locations where conventional construction methods can be expensive, slow or difficult to deploy.

Oei said: "The answer was a modular system designed to make building simpler, faster and considerably more inclusive."

EPIC's "Ikea-like" system uses prefabricated components, repeatable construction steps and no dependence on heavy machinery. The system is designed so that trained volunteers and community members can participate directly in the build.

At the centre of the model is the three-day build. People with very different backgrounds arrive at a site and, under the guidance of EPIC's trained builders and facilitators, help turn a set of components into a permanent home. Some arrive with little or no construction experience.



Oei champions empowered leaders to drive change.

Oei's intervention goes beyond construction efficiency. EPIC deliberately places the homeowner and the surrounding community inside the building process. Rather than treating recipients as passive beneficiaries waiting for somebody else to solve their problem, homeowners work alongside urban volunteers.

The larger ambition is agency. More than 10,000 volunteers have been mobilised, safe homes have been provided for more than 400 families and EPIC has worked across 30 villages in Malaysia. The organisation moved from an average of about 25 homes a year to more than 100 safe homes annually since 2024.

> **"ORDINARY PEOPLE MAKE EXTRAORDINARY IMPACT. HOUSING REMAINS THE IMMEDIATE NEED."**
> – OEI

For a model built around people rather than heavy machinery, scaling brings an obvious challenge. He said: "Volunteers progress through an organised learning system from basic builders to specialist roles and eventually facilitators.

The 'Train-the-Trainer' structure lets experienced volunteers lead and supervise newer participants, enabling EPIC to support more than one building effort. Through a "Pay-It-Forward" approach, homeowners and other community members learn during the build so they can later help construct another home in the village."

In partnership with Tetra Pak, EPIC has incorporated poly-aluminium roofing made from recycled beverage cartons into its material supply chain. The material offers thermal and acoustic advantages over conventional zinc sheets while giving waste material another productive use.

EPIC is also exploring treated bamboo as an alternative structural material, having completed four bamboo homes in consultation with local communities. Raised living spaces reflect traditional living patterns and local conditions, while cross-ventilation, social areas and modular construction support the design. Prefabricated components improve construction efficiency while creating opportunities for local involvement.

For EPIC, sustainability goes beyond materials. He said: "Companies can participate in house-building through structured EPIC programmes, turning what might otherwise have been a conventional corporate social responsibility contribution into a direct experience.

"The commercial model helps fund the social mission. But something else happens in the process. Urban Malaysians who may know Orang Asli poverty principally through statistics suddenly find themselves building alongside the people behind those statistics."

In a conventional construction project, performance can be measured through time, cost, quality and safety. EPIC still has to care about all four. It adds another question. What changed in the people who participated? A volunteer, a homeowner, a corporate team or a village may gain people who understand how the housing system works and can help maintain or extend what has been built. These are harder outcomes to quantify. Three days may be enough to assemble a house, but the social infrastructure around it takes considerably longer.

Oei has designed a system in which both forms of building happen at the same time. The house is visible when the volunteers leave. The harder thing to see – the skills, relationships and sense of agency built around it – may ultimately be the more enduring structure.



The Innovation: The 3-Day Build

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BUILDING ACROSS SYSTEMS: OUTSTANDING YOUNG CONTRACTOR AWARD

RAIL, digital infrastructure, water and power may seem like distinct sectors. But increasingly, they are connected by a common need: infrastructure engineered, delivered and operated as an integrated system. This perspective has shaped Yeoh Keong Yuan's career across these fields. His cross-sector expertise and contributions to the industry earned him the Outstanding Young Contractor Award this year.

Delivering the 192km Gemas–Johor Bahru Electrified Double Track (GJBEDT) meant building alongside an existing railway that remained in service throughout the works. Passenger and freight operations continued while civil works, systems installation and testing progressed, making coordination critical from start to finish.

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> – YUAN

As Project Director of the GJBEDT, Yuan oversaw a programme comprising 11 stations and two depots, extending electrified rail connectivity to Johor Bahru. The role brought together multiple engineering disciplines and required close cooperation between the project team, authorities, consultants and specialist contractors. The project recorded more than 28 million safe man-hours without a lost-time injury and received the QLASSIC Excellence Award for construction quality. Yuan sees both as collective achievements, made possible by a large workforce working across multiple fronts while keeping safety and quality at the centre.



Gemas–Johor Bahru Electrified Double Track spans 192km.



YTL's Green Data Centre Park integrates renewable energy with digital infrastructure.



Wider involvement – Promoting community engagement and careers in engineering and construction.

An Oxford-trained civil engineer, Yuan has worked on projects including The Fennel at Sentul East, Singapore's 3 Orchard By-The-Park and Menara YTL, the Group's headquarters. His experience spans both buildings and infrastructure, each with different technical demands and operating environments.

His leadership approach is straightforward. "Experienced people should have the confidence and authority to make decisions, while younger colleagues should be given the guidance and opportunities they need to grow into greater responsibility," he said.

The railway project brought that into sharp focus. On a programme of this scale, decisions made in one area can quickly affect another. Building teams that understand those interfaces also helps preserve knowledge gained on major projects and carry it into the next one.

Yuan's responsibilities also extend beyond construction into the operation of essential infrastructure. As Executive Director of Ranhill Utilities Berhad, he has greater exposure to the water and utilities business, including the long-term operation of infrastructure that communities depend on every day. He is also a Director of YTL Power Services Sdn Bhd, which oversees the operation and maintenance of YTL Power International Berhad's power generation assets. Together, these roles give him a wider view of what happens after construction.

"A decision made during design or construction can affect maintenance access, service reliability and operating costs for years. This is what 'Building the Right Thing' means in practice: not just completing an asset, but making sure it continues to perform throughout its working life," he said. That perspective also applies to newer infrastructure such as YTL's Green Data Centre Park, where construction, power, sustainability and long-term operations must work together.

At YTL Construction, Building Information Modelling (BIM), digital engineering, drones and data analytics are changing how teams plan, coordinate and deliver projects. Artificial Intelligence (AI) is also creating new ways to work with the information generated during a project.

"What matters most is their practical value. Do they help teams identify issues earlier? Do they improve coordination? Do they support better decisions on safety, quality and productivity? Technology can provide better information, but it still depends on experienced people who know how to interpret it and understand its limitations," he said.

As a vice-president of the Master Builders Association Malaysia, Yuan is also involved in the wider development of the construction industry. University collaborations, talent programmes and initiatives such as Laman Rel Mahkota connect these efforts with education, community engagement and greater exposure to careers in engineering and construction.

"For an industry preparing to take on increasingly demanding work, building local capability has value well beyond any single contract," he said.

The Gemas–Johor Bahru railway is now in service. Its completion adds a major national project to his delivery record, alongside buildings, utilities and increasingly complex infrastructure. For passengers, however, its value is much simpler: it is a railway they can use. That connection between what is built and how people experience it remains central to the way he approaches the job.

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WHEN STANDING STILL WAS THE RISK: OUTSTANDING YOUNG CONTRACTOR – SPECIAL MENTION



Established in 2021, Thursinar Energy has since expanded into solar installation, energy audits and floating-solar maintenance.

ARMED with an electrical engineering degree from Universiti Teknologi MARA, Nurul Ain binti Norizam, Managing Director of Thursinar Corporation Sdn Bhd, joined the company in 2012 as a Human Resource Executive. Established in 2000, Thursinar was already operating in facilities management, maintenance and construction. Nurul gained experience across people, accounts and operations before becoming General Manager in 2015 and Managing Director in 2017.

"Leadership is not inherited through position or title, but earned through experience, accountability and the willingness to continuously adapt to changing circumstances," she shared.

The need to adapt became particularly clear as the facilities-management market grew more competitive. Thursinar was working across demanding operational environments – healthcare facilities, government buildings and airport support services – but labour costs were rising, margins were tightening and dependence on a single sector was becoming harder to justify.

"Rather than waiting for opportunities to emerge, I chose to create new opportunities," she said.

In 2021, that decision led to the establishment of Thursinar Energy Sdn Bhd, expanding the group into energy management, solar photovoltaic systems, energy audits, battery energy storage and other renewable-energy solutions. Thursinar's facilities-management portfolio includes a multi-site Ministry of Health contract covering health clinics across Melaka, Comprehensive Facilities Management and Maintenance contracts with Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) and KETTHA Building, a green building incorporating solar PV operations and energy-management initiatives. The company also manages a Comprehensive Facilities Management contract for Air Selangor across 10 regions, including Water Treatment Plants (WTPs), and has provided manpower support for baggage-handling operations at Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA). The KETTHA assignment provided an early bridge between conventional facilities management and energy performance, influencing Thursinar's expansion into energy management and renewable energy.

The organisation has since expanded into solar installation, energy audits and floating-solar maintenance, with projects involving MRSM Bera, Kenanga Investment Bank, Danau Tok Uban, PETRONAS petrol stations and Saujana Hotel. Its solar portfolio also covers more than 100 residential properties and commercial buildings. The direction reflects Nurul's belief that "facilities management can no longer operate independently from energy management."

Her leadership is also closely tied to people. The company's workforce grew from 160 employees in 2023 to 450 in 2025. "I believe leadership is not only about growing a business, but also about contributing to the development of people, industry and society," she said. Looking ahead, she aims to build Thursinar into a Malaysian Bumiputera company with the scale to compete internationally, with a future listing on Bursa Malaysia. Her ambition is to create opportunities at home while strengthening Malaysia's economic presence in international markets.

> Video Feature



Nurul believes leadership is earned through experience, accountability and adaptability.

INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 2026

RECOGNISING Malaysian contractors who have successfully delivered construction projects beyond our borders and demonstrated excellence in project execution, technical capability and global competitiveness. We celebrate Malaysian construction companies that have expanded their expertise internationally and helped enhance the reputation of the Malaysian construction industry globally.

We honour contractors who demonstrate excellence across these five key dimensions:

International project delivery
Successful delivery of construction projects outside Malaysia, including project complexity, scale and execution.

Technical excellence and quality
Demonstrated technical capability and construction quality in international projects.

Innovation and best practices
Adoption of innovative construction methods, technologies and sustainability management practices.

Global competitiveness and industry impact
The ability to project an excellent image for Malaysia in terms of project management, timeliness in completing projects, host country perception, and corporate social responsibility (CSR).

Overcoming challenges
The company's ability to navigate international construction challenges, including market conditions, project complexity, cultural and management differences, innovation, technology transfer, financing and operational practices.

Through this award, we applaud the contractors building Malaysia's legacy on the world stage.



Gali Batu Bus Depot, Gamuda's first major infrastructure project in Singapore.

A FOOTHOLD BUILT UNDER PRESSURE: INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

THIS year, Gamuda Berhad Singapore Branch received the International Achievement Award for delivering the Gali Batu Bus Depot in Singapore, demonstrating its engineering capabilities, resilience and ability to deliver complex infrastructure projects in a challenging operating environment.

For a Malaysian contractor new to Singapore, Gali Batu Bus Depot was more than a project. It was a test of whether Gamuda could overcome unfamiliar challenges, take on greater responsibility and establish its presence in Singapore.

Gamuda Berhad Singapore Branch was established in 2016 as part of the Group's regional expansion. Its first major infrastructure project in Singapore was the Gali Batu Bus Depot, which was awarded by the Land Transport Authority (LTA) at a contract value of S$260 million.

The project was awarded at a time when Singapore's construction industry was already highly competitive. For a Malaysian contractor building its infrastructure presence in Singapore, the project presented significant challenges from the outset. The team had to adapt to local regulations, standards, stakeholders and operating requirements while delivering a complex public transport facility within a constrained urban environment.

The COVID-19 pandemic brought industry-wide challenges and disruption, including work stoppages, border restrictions, manpower shortages and increased material and labour costs. The challenge intensified in December 2021, when Gamuda negotiated with LTA to take over the entire project as the sole contractor, assuming responsibility for completion after its joint-venture partner withdrew following financial liquidation.

Gamuda was no longer simply delivering its share of the project. It took on responsibility for coordinating and delivering the remaining works, including the project's programme, resources, costs, risks and delivery.

The response was decisive. Working closely with LTA, the team re-sequenced construction activities, strengthened manpower deployment, accelerated procurement, introduced value-engineering measures and maintained close monitoring of cost and productivity. Instead of letting changing circumstances dictate the outcome, Gamuda continuously adapted its approach to keep the project moving.

Technology was also integrated into daily project operations. Building Information Modelling (BIM) and augmented reality supported coordination and inspection, while a Centralised Site Management Platform enabled paperless workflows. AI-powered video analytics, drones, body cameras and ground-penetrating radar further strengthened safety, inspection and site control.



BIM and augmented reality enhance project coordination and inspection.

The project achieved strong delivery outcomes. The completed depot incorporates a solar power generation system, rainwater harvesting and other sustainable features, achieving BCA Green Mark Platinum certification. It also achieved multiple workplace safety recognitions, including SHARP, Accident-Free Recognition and RoSPA awards.

The Gali Batu Bus Depot project's significance extends beyond the physical infrastructure.

For Gamuda Singapore, it was the first major test of its ability to operate and deliver a major infrastructure project in Singapore. The project required the company to navigate regulatory requirements, unprecedented pandemic disruption, manpower constraints and the additional responsibility of taking over as sole contractor.

Gamuda overcame these challenges through adaptation, engineering capability and disciplined project management.

Gali Batu Bus Depot marked an early milestone in Gamuda's Singapore journey. The successful delivery of the project demonstrated the company's ability to execute a complex infrastructure project amid significant challenges and helped establish its presence in Singapore. Gamuda subsequently secured other major infrastructure projects in Singapore, including major Cross Island Line contracts such as CR111 – Defu Station and tunnels and CR209 – West Coast Station and tunnels.

Gali Batu Bus Depot was therefore more than Gamuda Singapore's first major infrastructure project. For the company, it marked an important step in the company's growth in Singapore and laid the foundation for its subsequent expansion in the country.

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Solar panels at the roof



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– DATO' UBULL DIN OM, DIRECTOR - PROJECTS, GAMUDA ENGINEERING

BUILDER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2026 (GRADE G7)

RECOGNISING outstanding Malaysian Grade G7 contractors who have demonstrated exceptional leadership, technical excellence and professionalism in delivering major construction projects. Grade G7 contractors represent the pinnacle of Malaysia's construction industry, trusted with the nation's most complex and significant projects that shape communities and futures.

Excellence at this level is assessed across four critical dimensions:

Corporate leadership and company performance
Vision, leadership, organisational capability and overall company performance.

Technical excellence and project delivery
Demonstrated ability to successfully deliver complex projects with high standards of quality and efficiency.

Innovation and industry advancement
Adoption of innovative construction methods, digital technologies and sustainable practices.

Contribution to the industry and community
Efforts in developing talent, promoting best practices and contributing to the advancement of the construction industry.

Through their example, they inspire the next generation and demonstrate what is possible when technical excellence meets organisational capability, sustainability and a genuine commitment to community impact.

BUILT FOR COMPLEXITY: BUILDER OF THE YEAR AWARD (GRADE G7)



TRX Residences – Advanced construction systems support complex high-rise development.

OVER more than four decades, IJM Corporation Berhad has grown into a diversified group with businesses spanning construction, property, industry and infrastructure, contributing to Malaysia's development through the delivery of buildings, infrastructure and other essential assets.

At the heart of this journey is IJM Construction Sdn Bhd, the Group's construction arm whose portfolio spans high-rise developments, highways, rail systems, tunnels, airports, healthcare facilities and more. As Malaysia's construction landscape evolves, the business is expanding into technically demanding industrial, digital and infrastructure projects, including data centres, semiconductor facilities and logistics developments.

Recent contracts include a hyperscale data centre in Selangor and the RM1.4 billion NPE 2 expressway, alongside semiconductor and logistics facilities. These projects reflect the breadth of expertise required in today's construction industry, where digital infrastructure demands precise programme management, services coordination and commissioning, while infrastructure projects continue to require extensive civil and structural engineering capabilities.

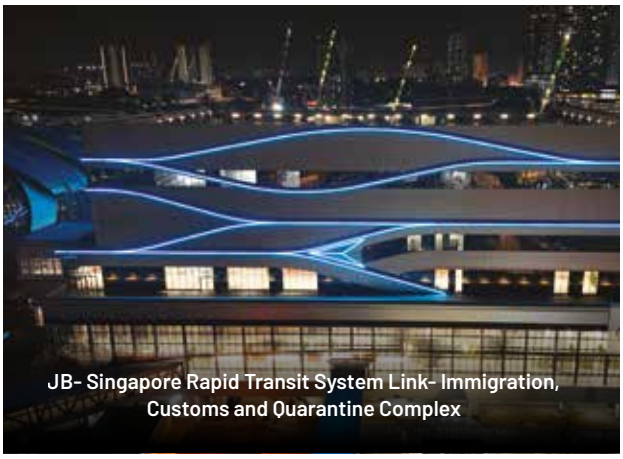
This breadth of experience is reflected in the three projects submitted for the Builder of the Year Award 2026, each demonstrating a different aspect of IJM Construction's technical expertise, innovation and project delivery capabilities. At TRX Residences in Kuala Lumpur, IJM delivered the superstructure for a twin-tower development comprising 896 residential units within the Tun Razak Exchange financial district. The project incorporated advanced construction systems, including Xclimb 60 protection screens, Lubeca self-climbing systems and Building Information Modelling (BIM)-enabled clash detection. The Novade digital platform supported real-time quality, safety and operational reporting. The project recorded more than seven million safe man-hours and targeted Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold and Green Building Index Gold certifications.



UOB Tower 2 – Top-down construction meets the challenges of a dense urban site.



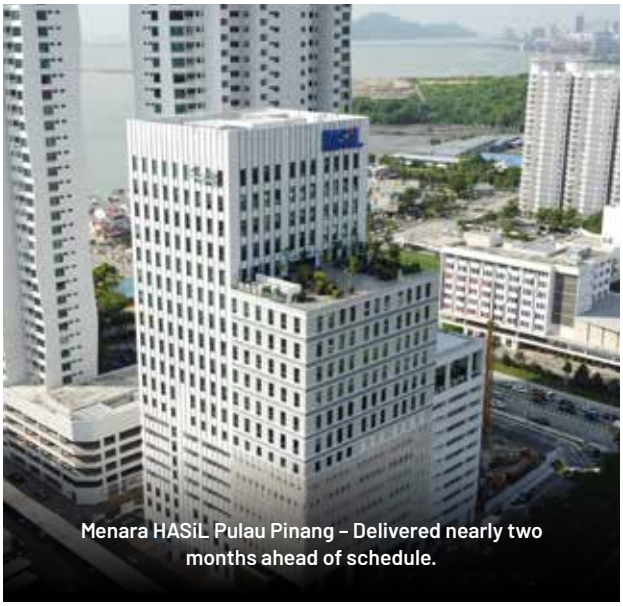
ASE Electronics plant in Penang.



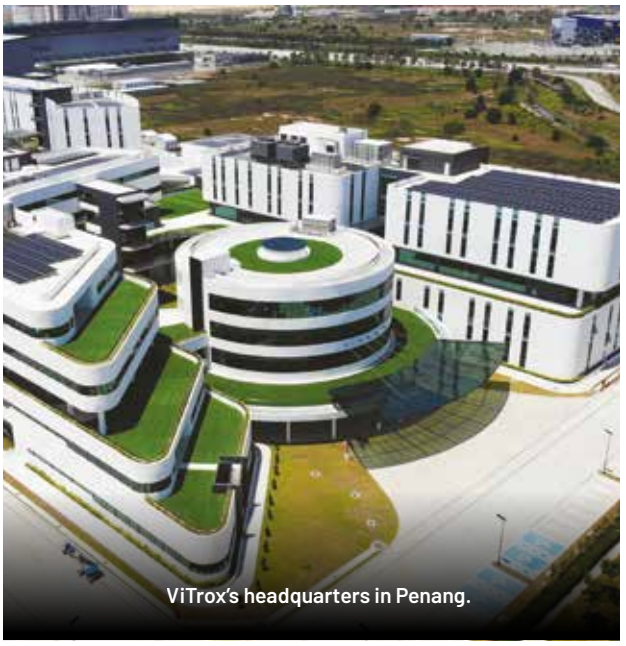
JB- Singapore Rapid Transit System Link- Immigration, Customs and Quarantine Complex

UOB Tower 2 presented a different engineering challenge in central Kuala Lumpur. A top-down construction method enabled excavation and superstructure works to proceed concurrently, while continuous vibration monitoring and real-time geotechnical instrumentation helped manage structural risk. BIM coordination, off-site pre-assembly and permanent formwork systems improved site efficiency. Labour shortages during the Movement Control Order period were addressed through workforce replanning, federated BIM models, high-capacity bored piling and an automated hydraulic jump-form system.

Menara HASiL Pulau Pinang, delivered under a turnkey design-and-build contract for the Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia, comprises an 11-storey podium with a nine-storey office tower. The 20-storey development was completed nearly two months ahead of schedule, achieving a QLASSIC score of 86% and a customer satisfaction score of 97%.



Menara HASiL Pulau Pinang – Delivered nearly two months ahead of schedule.



ViTrox's headquarters in Penang.

Beyond individual projects, IJM Construction's performance is supported by its investment in organisational capabilities, workforce development and continuous improvement. The business earned five-star SCORE ratings from CIDB, reflecting the company's capabilities and capacity. Its workforce programmes include leadership and graduate development pathways with training in BIM, Industrialised Building Systems (IBS), QLASSIC, professional and technical skills and CIDB-accredited construction management competencies.

Sustainability is also embedded across the projects. Measures include energy-efficient building envelopes, high-efficiency cooling systems, low-carbon materials, construction-waste management and digitally supported environmental monitoring. These approaches reflect the growing importance of integrating environmental considerations into project planning, design and delivery.

For IJM, the Builder of the Year Award recognises the capabilities of its construction business while reflecting the wider Group's foundations in engineering, disciplined execution and long-term development. As construction projects become increasingly complex and digitally integrated, technology remains an enabler alongside the experience, expertise and judgement of its people. Behind every building and infrastructure project are the people, teamwork and perseverance that make it possible.

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Malaysia's longest 17.821m eccentric cantilever pier crosshead on the SUKE Expressway.



Precast segmental construction on the DASH Expressway.

ENGINEERING THE DIFFICULT SPAN: BUILDER OF THE YEAR (GRADE G7) – SPECIAL MENTION

SOME construction companies are defined by the number of projects they complete. Others become known for the problems they are willing to take on. For Acre Works Sdn Bhd, many of those challenges occur above live roads, railway lines and dense urban corridors, where structural precision and construction sequencing are critical.

Incorporated in 2002, the CIDB Grade G7 contractor specialises in large-scale infrastructure, particularly segmental box girder and long-span bridge construction. The company has completed 56 projects worth more than RM3.15 billion, spanning expressways, transit systems, bridges and airports in Malaysia and Singapore.

A key milestone in Acre Works' engineering capability is its Proprietary Multi-Strand Post-Tensioning (PT) System, developed in accordance with European Technical Assessment (ETA) requirements under EOTA. Primarily deployed in its prestressed bridge and viaduct projects, the system reflects the company's capability to develop, qualify and implement specialised bridge engineering technology.

Under Contract V209 of the MRT Putrajaya Line (Klang Valley MRT Line 2), Acre Works delivered approximately 3.82km of elevated viaduct guideway from Persiaran Alpinia, 16 Sierra to Persiaran APEC, Cyberjaya. As Work Package Contractor (WPC) under the MMC-Gamuda Project Delivery Partner (PDP), it undertook the complete viaduct construction scope, including foundations, substructure and superstructure work, traffic management, earthworks and roadworks.

The project included two long-span highway crossings over the SKVE and MEX Expressways, constructed using the Balanced Cantilever Method with specialised European bridge construction equipment. The works were completed without major safety incidents and met the Client's handover requirements for the Systems Contractor.

For the Damansara–Shah Alam Elevated Expressway (DASH), Package CB1, Acre Works used precast segmental construction and specialised launching methods to minimise disruption within live traffic corridors. It also developed an Alternative Single-Pile Foundation Design Solution to reduce the construction footprint and facilitate faster construction.

At the Sungai Besi–Ulu Kelang Elevated Expressway (SUKE), Package CA1, the company managed complex interfaces involving major operational highways and three active rail systems. A notable achievement was constructing a 17.821m eccentric cantilever precast prestressed pier crosshead, recognised as the longest of its kind in Malaysia.

Beyond Malaysia, Acre Works established its Singapore operation in 2019 and has completed transit projects for the Land Transport Authority with a combined value of S$71.5 million.

Across more than two decades, this focus on solving complex engineering challenges has shaped Acre Works' capabilities as a specialist civil engineering and post-tensioning contractor, delivering technically demanding infrastructure across Malaysia and Singapore.

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EXCELLENCE IN FACILITIES MANAGEMENT AWARD 2026

THIS award celebrates organisations that demonstrate excellence in managing, maintaining and optimising built assets for long-term performance, safety and sustainability. It recognises facilities management as strategic asset stewardship that creates lasting value for the buildings and infrastructure communities rely on every day.

Excellence in Facilities Management is evaluated across five areas:

Service excellence and operational performance
Effectiveness in delivering facilities management services, maintenance and operational efficiency.

Asset management and maintenance strategy
Structured maintenance and asset management practices that support long-term performance and reliability.

Innovation and technology adoption
Use of digital tools, smart technologies and innovative approaches to improve efficiency and outcomes.

Sustainability and environmental practices
Energy efficiency, sustainable operations and environmentally responsible practices.

Client satisfaction and value creation
Delivery of value through improved building performance, cost efficiency and service reliability.

Through this category, CIDB highlights the critical role of facilities management in strengthening the performance and resilience of Malaysia's built environment, while recognising professionalism, innovation and best practices that drive excellence in the sector.



The Amplified Intelligence Centre brings critical operational data together.

BEHIND EVERY HOSPITAL: EXCELLENCE IN FACILITIES MANAGEMENT AWARD

FOR most people, a hospital is defined by what happens at the frontline – doctors, nurses, operating theatres, wards and treatment rooms. But all of that depends on another layer of behind-the-scenes work: dependable power, cooling and ventilation, water, biomedical equipment, clean environments, linen, waste management, and many other systems that must keep running every day.

Medivest Sdn Bhd has worked in this space for more than three decades, providing integrated hospital support and facilities management services across government hospitals in Johor, Melaka and Negeri Sembilan.

In healthcare, reliability is critical, as the systems Medivest manages directly affect hospital operations and must remain operational around the clock. The award recognises the people working behind the scenes to ensure these facilities continue to support healthcare delivery.

The demands of a hospital differ greatly from those of a conventional commercial building. A disruption to air-conditioning can affect temperature and ventilation in clinical areas, while failures involving electrical supply, water, medical-support infrastructure or biomedical assets can have wider operational consequences. Services such as cleansing, linen and laundry, and healthcare waste management are also closely linked to hygiene, safety and continuity of care.

Medivest supports 23 government hospitals, manages more than 1,200 acres of hospital land and oversees around 142,000 assets valued at approximately RM2.5 billion. Managing this scale requires disciplined maintenance, clear operating procedures, 24-hour monitoring and teams that understand the consequences of failure in a healthcare setting.



> **“IN HEALTHCARE, RELIABILITY IS NOT OPTIONAL. OUR TEAMS MUST BE READY AROUND THE CLOCK.”**
> – TS. ABDULLAH BIN HASHIM, CEO, MEDIVEST.

Medivest's Amplified Intelligence Centre brings together operational information from the facilities it manages, giving teams greater visibility of asset performance, energy use, healthcare waste and other critical activities. This helps identify abnormal trends earlier and address maintenance priorities more effectively.

The company also uses Internet of Things (IoT)-enabled monitoring, automated cleaning equipment, duct-cleaning robots and drone inspections with thermal imaging. These tools support inspections, improve access to difficult areas, reduce risk exposure and provide better information on asset condition. The focus is not technology for its own sake, but better control of operational risk and fewer unexpected failures. Looking ahead, Medivest is placing greater emphasis on condition-based and predictive maintenance, using actual equipment performance and operating trends to determine when intervention is needed.

Sustainability in a hospital also requires a different approach. Hospitals operate 24 hours a day, so systems such as chillers, ventilation, electrical supply and water services must continue supporting clinical operations. Medivest therefore focuses on improving efficiency while maintaining the conditions required for healthcare delivery.

At Hospital Sultan Ismail in Johor Bahru, a chiller-plant retrofit reduced energy consumption by 35.38%, delivering annual savings of more than RM2.8 million. The project was recognised at the National Energy Award 2025 for Energy Performance Contracting. At Hospital Jasin in Melaka, chiller-plant improvements reduced energy consumption by 24%, saving more than RM500,000 annually. Medivest also uses solar photovoltaic systems, rainwater harvesting, energy monitoring and other efficiency measures across facilities under its management.

Measurement and verification support these initiatives. Baselines and operating profiles are established before major energy projects are introduced, while performance is monitored afterwards to ensure savings do not come at the expense of temperature, ventilation, indoor environmental quality or equipment availability.

Beyond energy, Medivest's sustainability work covers water conservation, recycling and healthcare waste management. At its healthcare waste treatment facility in Bukit Rambai, Melaka, air pollution control and continuous emissions monitoring systems support operations. It has also explored with Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka (UTeM) the potential to repurpose treatment by-products into concrete materials, linking healthcare waste management with circular-economy thinking and the wider built environment.

For all the technology involved, facilities management remains driven by people. Engineers, biomedical personnel, technicians, cleansing teams, linen and laundry personnel, healthcare waste teams, supervisors, call-centre staff and vendors all contribute to keeping a hospital functioning. Medivest continues to strengthen technical capability through structured training, including the Certificate in Healthcare Facility Management, technical masterclasses and professional development.

Hospitals are built for care, but care depends on much more than what patients see. Behind every functioning ward, uninterrupted procedure and safe clinical environment is a network of people, systems and engineering working quietly in the background. That is the work this award recognises.

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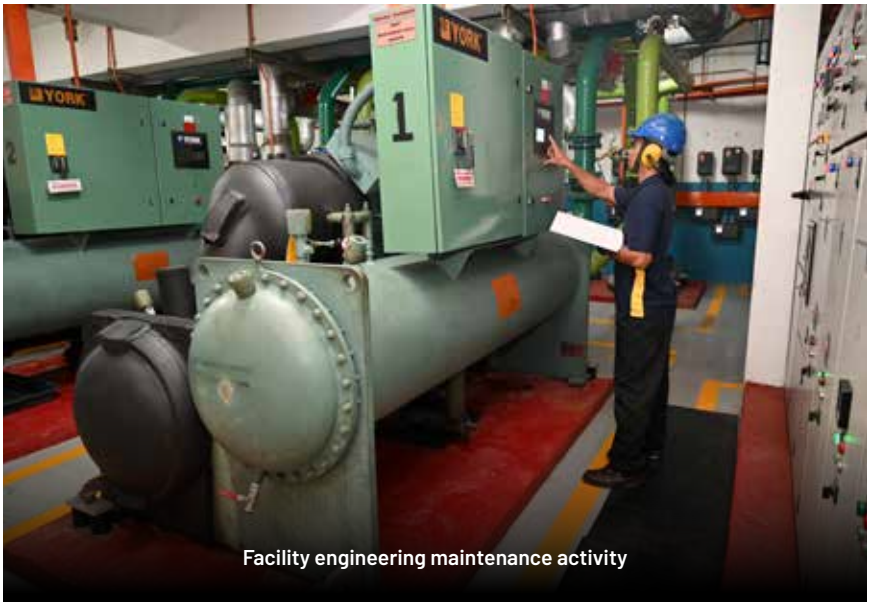

Facility engineering maintenance activity

BEST PROJECT AWARDS 2026: BUILDING AND INFRASTRUCTURE

THIS year's Best Project Awards in the Building and Infrastructure categories highlight developments that have transformed spaces and set benchmarks for quality, innovation and sustainability in construction.

The winning projects reflect a comprehensive commitment to excellence across five key pillars:

Project planning and management
Effective project planning, coordination and management throughout the project lifecycle.

Technical excellence and construction quality
Quality of construction, engineering solutions and overall technical performance.

Innovation and best practices
Adoption of innovative construction methods, digital technologies or sustainable construction practices.

Safety and environmental management
Commitment to safety performance and responsible environmental management.

Project impact and value
Contribution of the project to the client, users, community and the built environment.

This category covers building and infrastructure projects, classified by contract value:

MAJOR: ABOVE RM200 MILLION
MEDIUM: RM50 MILLION TO RM200 MILLION
SMALL: BELOW RM50 MILLION

From community-focused initiatives to major infrastructure, the winners across the small, medium and major project categories show that construction excellence goes beyond timely delivery and budget compliance.

BEST PROJECT AWARDS (BUILDING & INFRASTRUCTURE)

BEST PROJECT AWARD – BUILDING (MAJOR CATEGORY)

SUNWAY SQUARE
Contractor: Sunway Construction Sdn Bhd
Client: Sunway South Quay Sdn Bhd

SUNWAY Square is an integrated mixed-use development combining two Grade A office towers of 31 and 29 storeys, a retail mall spanning 300,000 sq ft of net lettable area across 4 retail floors, a 540,000 sq ft Sunway University campus, a 1,200-seat Performing Arts Centre and a 150-seat Experimental Theatre overlooking a 28-acre former mining lake. Inspired by the site's quarrying history, its rugged, chiselled-rock façades create a distinctive skyline presence, while the Bus Rapid Transit Sunway Line and extensive pedestrian network strengthen connections between residential, commercial and academic zones.

The project's defining challenge was delivering a large, integrated development within a constrained urban environment while maintaining surrounding operations. Deep excavation required bored piles, diaphragm walls, soil nailing and extensive monitoring to manage ground movement, settlement and groundwater. The diaphragm walls served as permanent retaining walls, groundwater barriers and basement walls.

Complex structural solutions were also required. A three-storey cantilevered linear office block, incorporating one maintenance roof level within the university complex, used extensive temporary supports, staged load transfer and continuous monitoring to control deflection and movement. A full-scale steel beam mock-up was conducted before construction to validate the design, temporary support and erection methodology.



The Performing Arts Centre is a venue for world-class performing arts and major corporate events.



Sunway Square brings together commercial, educational and lifestyle activities.

Energy innovation included a District Cooling System projected to reduce air-conditioning operational costs and CO_2 emissions, supported by a Chilled Water Thermal Energy Storage tank integrated into the car ramp spiral structure to optimise the limited footprint.

Building Information Modelling (BIM) and Virtual Design and Construction (VDC) provided a central platform to coordinate architectural, structural and MEP systems. Three-dimensional coordination enabled early clash detection, while 4D BIM supported construction sequencing and logistics planning.

Total Quality Management placed QESH (Quality, Environment, Safety, Health) at the centre of delivery through Quality Conformance Awareness Training, the Sunway Quality Merit System and Progressive Quality Assessment.

Sustainability was embedded across the development through district cooling, thermal energy storage, solar PV, rainwater harvesting, high-performance glazing and smart building systems.

Sunway Square shows how engineering innovation, digital coordination and sustainability can be integrated to deliver a complex development in a live urban environment, transforming a former mining lake into a distinctive mixed-use destination for long-term growth in Bandar Sunway.

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BEST PROJECT AWARD – BUILDING (MEDIUM CATEGORY)

BUKIT KAYU HITAM INLAND CLEARANCE DEPOT (ICD)

Contractor: Rimarisan Sdn Bhd
Client: Bukit Kayu Hitam ICD Sdn Bhd (Subsidiary of PKT Logistics Group)



Executed in phases for operational continuity and efficiency, energy saving, regulatory compliance and long-term scalability.

THE Bukit Kayu Hitam Inland Clearance Depot (ICD) strengthens Malaysia-Thailand cross-border trade within the DELAPAN Special Border Economic Zone. Located adjacent to the Bukit Kayu Hitam Immigration, Customs, Quarantine and Security (ICQS) Complex, the facility integrates container depot operations, warehouses, workshops, utilities and supporting infrastructure.

Executed in phases, construction used BIM to coordinate multidisciplinary works, reduce design conflicts and minimise rework. As a greenfield development, the project faced challenges securing electricity and water connections due to site constraints and limited existing infrastructure. Through close coordination with TNB, SADA, and the Master Developer, the project was ultimately completed and began business operations 2.5 years after the commencement of earthworks and major infrastructure works across 50 acres of virgin bushland.

Strict site controls, Hazard Identification, Risk Assessment and Risk Control (HIRARC) and environmental management measures reinforced quality and safety. The project achieved zero major incidents and zero lost-time injuries, while enhanced landscaping, drainage, erosion control and waste management contributed to Gold Certification under a recognised GreenRE assessment framework. CIDB Malaysia also selected the project as a QLASSIC Award recipient at QUEST Day 2025, recognising excellence in workmanship, compliance and construction practices.

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The building design emphasises functionality and long-term adaptability.

BEST PROJECT AWARD – BUILDING (SMALL CATEGORY)

PEJABAT PENDIDIKAN PERLIS (PERLIS STATE EDUCATION OFFICE)

Contractor: Pedati Teguh Sdn Bhd
Client: Perlis State Education Department

THE State Education Department Office in Mukim Jejawi strengthens Perlis's educational infrastructure by consolidating administrative operations within a modern, integrated campus. Located on a 6.4574-hectare site with access from Jalan Behor Pulai, the development comprises a 37,258m^2 primary zone and a further 13,446m^2 reserved for future expansion.

The project incorporated several innovations to improve efficiency, quality and safety. Drone technology supported monthly progress monitoring and reporting, while an aluminium formwork system accelerated construction and delivered consistent finishes. Mobile scaffolding and skylifts enhanced safety and productivity for internal and high-level works. Corner beads and wire brushes were also adopted to improve finishing quality, durability and maintenance access.

Regular testing and inspections ensured compliance across structural, architectural and M&E works. The project achieved a QLASSIC score of 76%, reflecting good workmanship quality. Completed successfully with strong safety performance, the facility improves administrative efficiency while incorporating design and construction learnings to support better practices in future government infrastructure projects.

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BEST PROJECT AWARD – INFRASTRUCTURE (MAJOR CATEGORY)

GEMAS–JOHOR BAHRU ELECTRIFIED DOUBLE TRACK

Contractor: CRCC–CREC–CCCC Consortium
Local main subcontractor: SIPP-YTL JV
Client: Ministry of Transport



Modern rail systems support safe, reliable operations.

THE Gemas–Johor Bahru Electrified Double Track completes the final 192km segment of Malaysia's Electrified Train Service (ETS) network, extending from Padang Besar to Johor Bahru. With trains operating at speeds of up to 140km/h, travel time between KL Sentral and JB Sentral has been reduced from around seven hours to approximately four hours and 20 minutes, strengthening national connectivity and daily mobility.

Officially completed and handed over to the Government on 11 December 2025, the project was delivered through close collaboration between the Ministry of Transport as Project Owner, SIPP–YTL JV as local main subcontractor and the CRCC–CREC–CCCC Consortium as main contractor.



Laman Rel Mahkota blends greenery with railway heritage.

Modern electrification and train control systems, supported by Building Information Modelling (BIM) and drone technology, enabled teams to coordinate complex interfaces, identify potential conflicts early and strengthen site visibility and safety. A lifecycle approach was also adopted, with two dedicated depots supporting long-term operations and maintenance.

Safety remained central throughout construction, with more than 28 million safe man-hours achieved, setting a national record for rail construction safety in Malaysia. At peak construction, nearly 10,000 people were directly involved, while the project supported an estimated 35,000 direct and indirect jobs. Malaysian engineers, technicians and site teams gained experience in electrified rail systems, signalling, BIM-enabled coordination and corridor-scale delivery.

The 11 stations along the corridor were designed to reflect Johor's identity while strengthening connectivity for surrounding communities. More than 110,000 people were reached through education, safety awareness and community programmes, including more than 11,000 students who participated in rail safety education.

A notable legacy is Laman Rel Mahkota, a seven-acre linear park beneath the viaduct at Stesen KTMB Kluang. Combining greenery with railway heritage elements, the park transforms a former rail corridor into an inclusive public space and is conceived as the world's first railway heritage park of its kind.

The railway represents more than a completed infrastructure project. It reflects a long-term approach to nation-building, combining engineering, safety, community engagement and infrastructure designed to serve Malaysia for generations.

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Technology supports engineering judgement and delivery.

BEST PROJECT AWARD – INFRASTRUCTURE (MEDIUM CATEGORY)

UPGRADING OF JAMBATAN SULTAN HAJI AHMAD SHAH, TEMERLOH, PAHANG

Contractor: Cergas Murni Sdn Bhd
Client: Ministry of Works


The Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah Bridge standing strong in Temerloh.

THE upgrading of Jambatan Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah transformed a critical link across the Pahang River. The original 525m, two-lane bridge, built in 1971 and opened in 1974, had become overstressed as traffic grew across five districts: Temerloh, Bera, Jerantut, Bentong and Lipis.

Cergas Murni Sdn Bhd delivered a new 655m, four-lane cast-in-situ balanced cantilever segmental box girder bridge, featuring a 200m main span – Malaysia's longest riverbank-to-riverbank span of its type. The works also included road approaches, drainage, utility relocation, lighting and safety installations.

Continuous hydrological monitoring and responsive work sequencing enabled the team to adapt safely to changing water levels.

A key innovation was the use of link slab technology, creating a jointless deck that reduced maintenance requirements, water-ingress-related deterioration, vibration and noise while improving ride comfort. Precision surveying and geometry control supported construction of the landmark main span.

The project recorded over 1.248 million man-hours without a Lost Time Injury (LTI). The completed upgrade doubled capacity from two to four lanes, easing congestion, improving journey reliability and strengthening access to Temerloh Hospital, while enhancing safety and connectivity along the FT002 corridor.

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BEST PROJECT AWARD – INFRASTRUCTURE (SMALL CATEGORY)

JALAN REDONG-SELANCAR-FELDA REDONG (PHASE 2), SEGAMAT, JOHOR

Contractor: Serangkai Indah Sdn Bhd
Client: Ministry of Rural and Regional Development


Strict adherence to JKR R2 standards acted as the project's primary quality benchmark.

THE Jalan Redong-Selancar-Felda Redong link road addresses a critical connectivity gap between eastern Pahang and southern Johor without passing through Segamat town, providing a direct link between Jalan Redong-Selancar and the Felda Redong entrance. The 4.5km project comprises 3.9km of new dual-lane road built to JKR R2 standards, with junctions, a bridge, four box culverts, drainage, street lighting, road furniture, paving works and utility relocation.

Early utility relocation was prioritised to minimise construction delays and disruption. The project also maintained safe access for existing road users while adhering to R2 road standards. The 1.0m paved shoulders provide additional safety and comfort for motorists, while road furniture and lighting enhance visibility and road-user safety.

The new corridor improves access to essential services, including healthcare and education, while enhancing connectivity to surrounding land and supporting potential residential, commercial and industrial development.

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BEST CONTRACTOR AWARDS 2026 (GRADE G1–G6)

These awards celebrate Malaysian contractors who have demonstrated excellence in managing their companies and delivering quality construction projects. Whether operating at Grade G1 or Grade G6, we acknowledge contractors who not only complete projects successfully but also uphold high standards of professionalism, safety and innovation in their work.

The Best Contractor Awards are presented across six categories:

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD - GRADE G1
BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD - GRADE G2
BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD - GRADE G3
BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD - GRADE G4
BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD - GRADE G5
BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD - GRADE G6

Excellence is measured across three core dimensions:

Company performance
Leadership, management practices and organisational capability.

Technical capability
Experience, expertise and ability to deliver quality projects.

Adoption of best practices
Commitment to safety, quality, innovation and sustainability.

These awards honour contractors who lead by example across every segment of Malaysia's construction industry.

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARDS 2026
(GRADE G1–G6)



Complete roof and structural replacement at Surau Nawawiah ensures a safer environment for prayer and gathering.

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G1): SINAR DEVELOPMENT

For nearly three decades, Sinar Development has established itself as a versatile, technically competent contractor. As a 100% Bumiputera-owned company, it delivers specialised services across construction, site investigation, civil works, waterproofing and mechanical and electrical systems – serving government bodies, local authorities and private clients alike.

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G2): SEMUJA ENGINEERING

Based in Serian, Sarawak, Semuja Engineering is a 100% Bumiputera-owned civil contractor committed to delivering high-quality infrastructure solutions across Sarawak. Certified by CIDB as Grade G2 and UPKJ Class E, the company qualifies to execute government-led projects with full compliance and credibility. Its expertise spans diverse project types, from rural infrastructure to complex civil structures.



The upgraded Open Hall at Kampung Patung provides the community with a more accessible venue for weddings, meetings and sports activities, including during the wet season.



Rope access expertise during the Darul Hana Bridge rectification enables safe, meticulous work on heritage structures.

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G3): SURFACE SPLENDOUR ENTERPRISE

Since 1995, Surface Splendour Enterprise has built a reputation for specialised, high-quality construction and maintenance services across Sarawak. Founded by Michael Kong and expanded from Brunei to Miri, the company brings over three decades of expertise in painting, high-access solutions, glass cleaning and comprehensive surface restoration. Its integrated approach, combining IRATA-certified rope access technicians, advanced pressure washing and precision coating systems, delivers both aesthetic enhancements and long-term structural protection.



Advanced surface preparation ensures optimal coating performance and durability at the Majlis Bandaraya Kuching Selatan (MBKS) Building.

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G4): MILLENIUM GLOTECH RESOURCES (M) SDN BHD

Millenium Glotech Resources (MGR), established in 2019 and based in Kota Bharu, Kelantan, delivers public works, infrastructure and maintenance services with dynamic management and a skilled workforce. MGR executes projects efficiently and on schedule, prioritising competitive costs without compromising quality. The company specialises in complex work within active operational environments, emphasising CIDB compliance, safety, quality and sustainability.



Careful coordination enables facility upgrades at Sek. Keb. Clifford while maintaining operations for 800 students and 50 teachers.



Phased execution across eight zones kept Besut Hospital's operations uninterrupted.

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G5): TUAH ENERGY KENYALANG SDN BHD

Tuah Energy Kenyalang (TEK), a 100% Sarawak-owned company established in 2021, delivers integrated engineering, construction and asset management services for the oil and gas, energy and infrastructure sectors. Headquartered in Miri and certified by CIDB, UPKJ, PETRONAS and PETROS, TEK combines experienced leadership with skilled expertise to execute end-to-end solutions from engineering through commissioning for onshore and offshore facilities.



Structural steelwork, piping modifications and equipment installation for the Baram platform ISDS modification.



Prefabricated components reduce offshore manhours for the Larut late-life redevelopment.

BEST CONTRACTOR AWARD (GRADE G6): ECO FOOTPRINT SDN BHD

Since 2016, Eco Footprint has become a trusted contractor, combining three decades of landscape expertise with a genuine commitment to sustainable development. Founded by Ng Kin Siong, the company operates as a CIDB Grade 6 contractor with a proven track record across residential, commercial and mixed-use developments.

What distinguishes the company is its integration of innovation and environmental responsibility. At Plaza@Kelana Jaya, they pioneered a "garden in the sky" concept. This lightweight planting system reduces structural load while eliminating chemical fertilisers in favour of sustainable compost and reusable timber staking.

The Main Park project exemplifies the company's cultural sensitivity. Following the landscape consultant's design, it successfully reinterpreted traditional *kampung*-inspired play experiences to meet contemporary safety standards, preserving cultural identity while ensuring strict compliance. Sustainable practices – minimal earthworks, permeable surfaces and native planting – reduced environmental impact without compromising ambition.

Its work demonstrates that best-practice construction is inseparable from environmental stewardship and community-centred design.



"Garden in the sky" reduces environmental impact without compromising design ambition.



Traditional *kampung*-inspired design meets modern safety standards.



Plaza@Kelana Jaya integrates residential living, retail services and green spaces.

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