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Sarawak Metro concludes 'Professional and Technical Mandarin Language Course' under SEED Programme

KUCHING: A total of 33 Sarawak Metro Sdn Bhd (Sarawak Metro) staff successfully concluded their 14-week Professional and Technical Mandarin Language Course, recently.

The course was organised under Sarawak Metro's Socio-Economic Enhancement Development (SEED) Programme and aimed to strengthen the capabilities of its workforce and support the transfer of knowledge for the Kuching Urban Transportation System (KUTS) project.

The 14-week course, which started in February this year, was a collaborative effort with the KUTS project's System Package 1 contractor, EPR Mobilus GR JV Sdn Bhd (EMGJV), and Professional Continuous Excellent Learning (ProCEL) under Universiti Malaysia Sarawak's (UNIMAS) Faculty of Education, Language and Communication.

The Professional and Technical Mandarin Language Course was designed around real workplace scenarios, including operations, maintenance, safety and project coordination.

Congratulating the staff in completing the course, Sarawak Metro's Chief Executive Officer, Ts. Mazli Mustaffa acknowledged their perseverance and commitment to continuous learning and professional development despite their busy schedule.

"I salute you all for your dedication and the successful completion of this programme reflects our ongoing commitment to developing a competent and future-ready workforce.

"As we continue working closely with Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) specialists and international partners, effective communication plays an important role in ensuring smooth collaboration, knowledge transfer and operational readiness," said Mazli.

The Professional and Technical Mandarin Language Course was a continuation of the Mandarin for Beginners Course introduced previously, enabling participants to further strengthen their language proficiency and apply Mandarin in professional and technical workplace settings.

While many participants progressed from the earlier beginner-level course, others joined based on their operational requirements and learning needs.

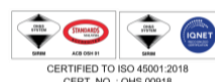
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Designed around practical workplace communication, the course covered daily operational communication, safety, inspection and emergency response, coordination of maintenance and repair activities, as well as workplace interactions.

The curriculum was tailored to equip participants with the language skills required to communicate more effectively OEM specialists and international project partners.

In recognition of their outstanding performance throughout the programme, System Engineer under the Communications Systems Department- Amealy Liony anak Tom and Engineer under the Systems, Assurance and Requirements Department - Dayangku Nur Maisarah binti Awangku Hishamuddin, were presented with the 'Best Participant Award' during the certificate presentation ceremony.

The Professional and Technical Mandarin Language Course is part of Sarawak Metro's broader workforce development initiatives under its SEED Programme, which aims to facilitate knowledge transfer, strengthen technical competencies and support the successful implementation of the KUTS project.

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WELL DONE... Sarawak Metro's Director of Corporate Communication, SEED Programme and Bumiputera Relations, Alexius Barieng presenting the Best Female Participant Award to Dayangku Nur Maisarah binti Awangku Hishamuddin

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ONE FOR THE ALBUM...The course participants in a group photo with representatives from Sarawak Metro, EMGJV, and UNIMAS during the closing ceremony

About Sarawak Metro and KUTS project:

Sarawak Metro Sdn Bhd (Sarawak Metro), a State-owned enterprise, has been entrusted by the Sarawak Government to modernise public transport through the Kuching Urban Transportation System (KUTS) project.

Sarawak Metro is the implementer, operator and maintainer of the KUTS project.

The project is being developed in phases, and Phase 1 includes the development of three lines: the Blue Line from Rembus in Kota Samarahan to Hikmah Exchange in the city centre; the Red Line, from Kuching Sentral to Pending; and the Green Line, from Pending to Damai.

The backbone of the KUTS project is the introduction of the zero-emission Autonomous Rapid Transit (ART) hydrogen vehicles.

The ART vehicles will be operated on dedicated lanes, meaning they will not share the lane with other road users. The ART hydrogen vehicles will run on rubber tires, and hence the dedicated lanes will be trackless. The lanes will mostly be at-grade (road level) while certain sections of the alignment will be elevated.

The ART operation will be supported by a network of feeder buses, which will also consist of hydrogen-powered vehicles to offer the 'first mile and last mile' connectivity for commuters.

The move to use hydrogen is in line with the Sarawak Government's aspirations to advance the hydrogen economy and to decarbonise public transport in Sarawak.

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