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## **MALAYSIA'S BIGGEST NIGHT RIDE RETURNS, ATTRACTING MORE THAN 5,600 CYCLISTS**

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**Kajang** – The seventh RHB LEKAS Highway Ride took place on 15 October 2022 at LEKAS Highway E21 after a two-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The return of Malaysia's No. 1 closed highway night cycling event recorded its biggest participation to date, with over 5,600 local and international cyclists from 26 countries, including France, Germany, Japan, Singapore, South Korea, Australia and the USA.

The event is a collaboration between RHB Banking Group ("RHB") and Lebuhraya Kajang-Seremban Sdn Bhd ("LEKAS"), a subsidiary of IJM Corporation Berhad's Toll Division, and was flagged off by Y. Bhg. Dato' Wira Wan Ahmad Uzir Bin Hj Wan Sulaiman Secretary General of Ministry of Works (KKR).

RHB LEKAS Highway Ride 2022 provides cyclists with the unique experience of long distance night cycling on a closed highway with a safe environment, while promoting the benefits of a healthy lifestyle. The event caters to participants from as young as 10 years old and also included a pushbike session for children of between 2 to 8 years, as a prelude to mainstream cycling that encourages outdoor physical activity and nurtures their interests in organised sports.

Mohd Rashid Mohamad, Group Managing Director / Group Chief Executive Officer of RHB Banking Group said, "The RHB LEKAS Highway Ride continues to be amongst the most anticipated events on the cycling calendar. Returning to the scene after a two-year break due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is certainly encouraging to see the record number of local and international cycling enthusiasts of all ages flagging off at the LEKAS Highway in high spirits. In addition to creating the unique opportunity to experience cycling along a major highway at

night in a safe environment, this much talked about event also promotes increased outdoor physical activity towards a healthier lifestyle.”

Ensuring a smooth and safe ride for all participants, LEKAS, the dual three-lane highway which connects Kajang in Selangor to Seremban in Negeri Sembilan, had ensured a full road closure for the duration of the event within a fully LED-lit highway circuit.

Mr. Liew Hau Seng, Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director of IJM Corporation Berhad said, “After two years of battling with pandemic, we are thrilled to return physically as the venue sponsor at LEKAS Highway for the seventh edition of the RHB Lekas Highway Ride 2022. With this long-awaited return, we are bringing back the excitement with another memorable weekend for the cycling community. This event is aligned with IJM’s commitment to inspire and encourage healthy living and to promote cycling to be an integral part of a greener and more active lifestyle among the community.”

"We temporarily closed the highway to make way for participants to ride safely at night. We are glad that our highway concessions are being used as platforms to bring sports enthusiasts together on a totally closed highway. It is also very heartening to see the carnival-like atmosphere at the event with participants enjoying the food, complimentary sports massage and taking part in our 360 spinning camera video to support our Disaster Relief Donation Drive in the cool night air," Mr. Liew added.

The RHB LEKAS Highway Ride comprised two main segments, with the 120km route being the ‘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) category. Meanwhile, the 78km route consisted of the ‘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) category.

Apart from this, there was a special fun ride for teenagers (ages 13 to 16 years) and children (ages 10 to 12 years) aimed at nurturing new and upcoming cycling talents as well as in promoting cycling as an organised sport. These additional categories were fully sponsored by IJM Corporation Berhad, which also partially sponsored the 78km Young Adults’ category.

A special appreciation to the Royal Malaysia Police (PDRM), Malaysia Highway Authority (LLM) and Ministry of Works (KKR) for their efforts and dedication in ensuring the success of the event.

**Results of the RHB LEKAS Highway Ride are as follows:**

<b>Categories</b>	<b>Winner</b>	<b>Time</b>
120KM Men Open	1. MUHAMMAD ARIF AIMAN BIN MUSTAFA 2. MOHD ZUKRI BIN TAHIR 3. MOHD SHAFARI BIN ABD MALIK	1. 03:00:05 2. 03:00:05 3. 03:00:05
120KM Veteran Men Open	1. TSEN SEONG HOONG 2. STEPHEN ONG 3. BERNARD PETER	1. 03:01:46 2. 03:03:57 3. 03:04:01
120KM Women Open	1. NORALIZA OMAR 2. HE CHEN 3. MIYOKI KHOO	1. 03:13:25 2. 03:13:32 3. 03:19:17
120KM Corporate/Open Team	1. LEKAS TEAM 2. MAHSARI TEAM 3. KUANTAN PORT CYCLING TEAM	1. 09:05:38 2. 09:11:55 3. 09:12:14
78KM Men Open	1. KONG TZE CHOW 2. ASYRAF BIN ABD RAZAK 3. MOHD SAFUWAN BIN MOHAMDDIN	1. 01:55:22 2. 01:55:23 3. 01:55:25
78KM Veteran Men Open	1. MOHD NAZRIN BIN MOHD ALI 2. RUSFARIZAL RUSLI 3. RISHDY MOHAMAD ROSLI	1. 01:55:27 2. 01:55:27 3. 01:55:27
78KM Women Open	1. SHERA ONG WEE JUNE 2. GUAN JOO YOKE 3. NUR HAYATI BINTI RAHIM	1. 01:59:52 2. 02:00:26 3. 02:00:32
78KM Young Adults (Boys)	1. MOHAMMAD DANISH HAIQAL BIN ZARIN 2. LOO PAE HOAM 3. TAN SENG HONG	1. 01:55:28 2. 01:55:28 3. 01:55:42
78KM Young Adults (Girls)	1. FATIN NURSYAKIRA BINTI MIZI	1. 02:18:07

**EVENT SPONSORS FOR THE RHB LEKAS HIGHWAY RIDE 2022:**

Title Sponsor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● RHB Banking Group</li> </ul>
Venue Sponsor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Lebuhraya Kajang-Seremban Sdn Bhd (LEKAS Highway)</li> <li>● IJM Corporation Berhad</li> </ul>
Official Insurance Partner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Tokio Marine Life Insurance Malaysia Bhd.</li> </ul>
Main Sponsors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● IJM Land Berhad</li> <li>● RTS Technology Sdn Bhd</li> <li>● Huawei Technologies (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd</li> </ul>
Official Energy Gel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● N8 Sports Nutrition</li> </ul>
Sponsors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 'Nivea'</li> <li>● 'Starbucks'</li> <li>● Route 77 Harley-Davidson of Kuala Lumpur</li> <li>● 'RockTape'</li> <li>● 'Shimano'</li> <li>● 'Pro'</li> <li>● 'Lazer'</li> <li>● 'Bike Science'</li> <li>● 'Thule'</li> <li>● 'Cat Eye'</li> <li>● 'Maxxis'</li> <li>● 'Milo'</li> <li>● 'Nestle Fitness'</li> <li>● Atria Shopping Gallery</li> <li>● 'Peacock'</li> </ul>

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