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KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak today clarified that the construction of the Light Rail Transit 3 (LRT3) stretch from Bandar Utama to Klang would not exceed RM9 billion.

He said Malaysian Resources Corp - George Kent (MRCB-GK) was appointed as both companies have a track record in similar projects.

"The LRT3 contract was implemented through a pre-qualification open tender, which was further shortlisted to six companies.

"The cost of LRT3 was fixed at a maximum of RM9 billion, and the fees for the project delivery partner (PDP) set at six per cent of the final project cost," said Najib in a written reply in Parliament.

"The actual cost of the LRT3, which will be negotiated between Prasarana Malaysia Bhd and MRCB-GK, should not exceed RM9 billion," he said.

Najib, who is also Finance Minister, said the other companies had given project cost assumption in their bidding

He was responding to a question from Mohd Ariff Sabri Abdul Aziz (DAP-Raub) who had asked for the rationale in awarding the contract to the joint-venture partnership, which bid filed its bid at a cost of RM11.5 billion.

Najib also clarified that the MRCB-GK joint venture was chosen as its project delivery partner after it exceeded the passing mark of 70 per cent, with a highest score of 76.99 per cent and had gone through three levels of assessment.

"MRCB- George Kent was given the opportunity to handle the LRT3 project due to its experience in handling similar projects and its ability to provide quality work and to fulfil the required standards," he said.

Najib said MRCB-GK's LRT extension along the Ampang line showed good working performance and was satisfactory.



(File pic) The construction of the Light Rail Transit 3 (LRT3) stretch from Bandar Utama to Klang will not exceed RM9 billion.