

## Kerjaya secures RM404 mln residential job

**KUCHING:** Kerjaya Prospek Group Bhd (Kerjaya) has secured a RM404 million residential building job from Ecofirst Consolidated Bhd (Ecofirst), bringing its outstanding orderbook to an all-time high of RM4.7 billion.

The 36-month contract which became Kerjaya's third secured contract for financial year 2023 (FY23) entails the construction of two apartment blocks for the proposed development of "KL48 Residence", a 39-storey service apartment

with a RM1.0 billion gross development value (GDV).

Analysts Kenanga Investment Bank Bhd (Kenanga Research) and RHB Investment Bank Bhd (RHB Bank) were positive over the contract win as it brought Kerjaya's year-to-date (YTD) replenishment to RM972 billion which accounted for 65 and 67 per cent of their respective full-year replenishment estimates for the construction group.

Both analysts shared that they expect this new contract to fetch circa 10

per cent margins which is in line with their overall group assumption.

"Furthermore, upon delving deeper into the KL48 development, we find the payment risk for the project is low as it is likely to be well received by the market given a highly competitive selling price of circa RM720 per square feet (psf) for a fully furnished unit, versus RM726 to RM760 psf for a partially furnished unit of adjacent freehold developments such as TRION @ KL," Kenanga Research added.