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PETALING JAYA: Transport Minister Datuk Seri Dr Wee Ka Siong has voiced his satisfaction over the progress and strong cooperation shown among the parties involved in the construction of the East Coast Rail Link (ECRL) project.

Dr Wee, who visited the project site in Terengganu yesterday, said he was pleased by the cooperation shown by the project owner, the Malaysia Rail Link (MRL) and Engineering, Procurement, Construction and Commissioning (EPC) contractor, China Communications Construction Company Ltd (CCCC).

"I am very happy and satisfied to see that MRL as the owner of the ECRL project as well as CCCC, which is the EPC contractor for this project, can work together well, especially in sharing skills and expertise that benefit local workers.

"I'm sure many can't wait to receive the economic spillover when the ECRL is completed in early 2027," he said in a Facebook post.

Dr Wee visited the ECRL project



site in Section 3 Serada, Terengganu. He said the bridge No. 60 construction site that spans up to 360m, crosses the Terengganu River in Pulau Manis, Serada, Kuala Terengganu.

Construction on the site is expect-

ed to be completed in July next year. "The total length of Bridge No. 60 is 5km, which is the longest bridge in the construction area of Section 3.

"This bridge uses two types of 'spans' - the 'Continuous Beam/Box Girder' and 'T-Beam'.

"The 'Continuous Beam/Box Girder' is used to reduce the number of poles in the river to comply with the standards set by the of Irrigation and Drainage Department, which is aimed at preserving the sustainability of the Terengganu River.

Inspection: Dr Wee walking with project and crew members at the construction site of Section 3, Serada, Terengganu. - Photo courtesy of Dr Wee's Facebook page

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"There are 36 bridges that will be built for the entire section," he added.

Also present during the visit were MRL chief executive officer Danik Seri Darwis Abdul Razak and China Communications Construction (ECRL) Sdn Bhd deputy project director, Liu Jianming.

The ECRL is a 640km railway link connecting states in the east coast and west coast of Peninsular Malaysia, which aims to reduce land travel time between both regions.