

Thruping Perlis



Perlis Inland Port: The Heart of Cross-Border Logistics

8th & 9th May 2025 Kuala Lumpur: Mutiara Perlis hosted a **Networking Reception (8 May)** where 50 business leaders, diplomats and Thai Officials at Malaysian Petroleum Club in conjunction with Thailand Malaysia Economic Forum organised by Royal Thai Embassy in Kuala Lumpur. H.E Ambassador Ms. Lada Phumas, Dato' Sri Mustapa Mohamed & guests were welcomed by Mutiara Perlis Group Executive Chairman Dato' Shabaruddin Ibrahim. Royal Thai Embassy organized an **Economy Forum (9 May)** "Seamless Connectivity: Thailand-Malaysia Economic Integration." More than 170+ participants made their way to Imperial Lexis Hotel, while a big number attended online.

Mutiara Perlis was honoured to be invited by Royal Thai Embassy to collaborate in organising the event together with Indonesia-Malaysia-Thailand Growth Triangle (IMT-GT). Our Group MD & CEO Mr. Wan Ahmad Zaheed Wan Mohamad was given the floor to showcase Perlis Inland Port—ASEAN's latest inland port — a game-changer for cross-border trade, linking Northern Malaysia to Thailand and regional markets. With its **July 2025 opening**, the inland port will:

- Accelerate migration from road to rail.
- Enhance Malaysia-Thailand supply chain efficiency.
- Position Perlis as a key hub for cross border and ASEAN trade.



Seven from left: Mrs. Zaiton Binti Yahya, Director of the Regional Development Division, H.E. Ms. Lada Phumas, Dato' Shabaruddin Ibrahim, Yang Berbahagia Dato' Sri Mustapa Mohamed former Malaysian Minister of International Trade and Industry, Datuk Jojie Samuel Advisor at the Asean Malaysia National Secretariat, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mr Razwin Sulairree Hasnan Termizi CEO of Northern Gateway Group (NGX), Mr Wan Ahmad Zaheed Wan Mohamad Group MD & CEO Mutiara Perlis and Mr Alsuyuki Hamzah Senior Manager Investment NCER Investment Thematic Parks Marketing NCIA

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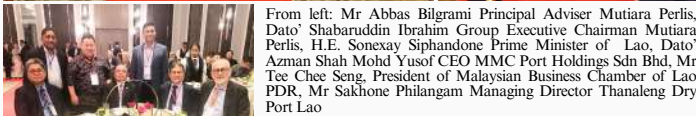
Networking Reception for Thailand & Malaysia Economic Forum 8th May 2025



Middle from left: H.E. Ms. Lada Phumas, Dato' Shabaruddin Ibrahim along with key delegates from business leaders and diplomats from both nations.



Perlis Inland Port: Strengthening Regional Trade Ties



From left: Mr Abbas Bilgrami Principal Adviser Mutiara Perlis, Dato' Shabaruddin Ibrahim Group Executive Chairman Mutiara Perlis, H.E. Sonexay Siphandone Prime Minister of Lao, Dato' Azman Shah Mohd Yusof CEO MMC Port Holdings Sdn Bhd, Mr Tee Chee Seng, President of Malaysian Business Chamber of Lao PDR, Mr Sakhone Philangam Managing Director Thanaleng Dry Port Lao

27th May 2025 Kuala Lumpur: At Lao-Malaysia Business Forum, Prime Minister Sonexay Siphandone highlighted Lao potential in agriculture, green energy, and digital tourism for participants to

explore new opportunities in trade corridors linking Southern China to Malaysia via Lao and Thailand. Mutiara Perlis delegation headed by Dato Shabaruddin Ibrahim briefly met with PM H.E. Sonexay and partners to advance logistics synergies for movement of cargoes between Lao and Malaysia. Discussions focused on leveraging Perlis Inland Port—ASEAN's largest inland port—to enhance cross-border trade efficiency along China-Lao-Thailand-Malaysia corridor. PIP's 2025 launch will solidify Northern Malaysia's role as a gateway for regional trade, boosting connectivity with Lao and beyond.

Asia Pacific Rail 2025 BITEC Bangkok, Thailand



From left: Mr Wan Ahmad Zaheed Wan Mohamad Group MD & CEO Mutiara Perlis, Mr Irwan Zamanshary Abdul Aziz GM Logistics Mutiara Perlis, Mr Muhammad Hamdi Tajau Rahim Assistant Manager Business Development Mutiara Perlis and Mr Shima Hiroaki Office Director Japan Rail Freight

28th May 2025 Bangkok: Malaysia Rail Industry Corporation (MARIC) extended an invitation to Mutiara Perlis to Asia Pacific Rail 2025 in Bangkok, a leading industry event that brought together over 4,000 attendees to discuss railway transformation and foster international collaboration. PIP aiming to establish Malaysia as a key freight rail logistics hub in ASEAN, will leverage insights from the event to integrate PIP's first phase, launching this year with a 300,000 TEU annual capacity, into Pan-Asian Railway corridor, thereby enhancing Malaysia's trade connectivity.

JR Freight Pioneers New Trade Route via Perlis Inland Port



Mutiara Perlis, JR Freight and Sri Trang team

20th May 2025 Kuala Lumpur & Padang Besar: Mutiara Perlis hosted JR Freight and Sri Trang to develop a groundbreaking Thailand-Malaysia cargo route via Padang Besar Container Terminal and the future Perlis Inland Port (PIP). The passage will be launched soon by using Sri Trang as (Thai agent) and Infinity as (Malaysian agent), following detailed operational reviews and site inspections of PIP's rail capabilities. This initiative positions PIP as a vital ASEAN trade hub, potentially transforming regional supply chains with faster and more efficient cross-border movement. The successful trial could establish Northern Malaysia as the new heart of regional logistics. Watch this space as we redefine ASEAN trade connectivity!

Gulf Energy & Infrastructure Explores Strategic Collaboration with Perlis Inland Port (PIP)



From left: Mr Muhammad Hamdi Tajau Rahim Assistant Manager Business Development Mutiara Perlis, Mr Kunakorn Tantichinda Officer Port & Logistics, Miss Napatpawankwan Apitdsurathan Head of Port & Logistics, Mr Wan Ahmad Zaheed Wan Mohamad Group MD & CEO Mutiara Perlis, Mr Pitch Asavanich VP Port & Logistics, Mr Abbas Bilgrami Principal Adviser Mutiara Perlis and Mr. Klakoet Treewatanasuan AM Port & Logistics

22nd to 23rd May 2025 Perlis, Malaysia: Gulf Energy Development pcl, a leading Thai conglomerate and developer of Lat Krabang Industrial Estate and Port, visited Malaysia to explore potential collaborations with Perlis Inland Port (PIP) and Mutiara Perlis. The delegation observed cargo operations at Penang Port and Penang Port Container Terminal (PBCT), while also reviewing the latest construction progress at PIP—a key logistics hub set to enhance regional trade connectivity between Thailand, Malaysia, and China. During the visit, Gulf representatives acknowledged PIP's strategic potential and discussed matters related to construction timeline. They were invited to explore future partnership opportunities with PIP and Mutiara Perlis on upcoming infrastructure projects, reinforcing PIP's role as a critical node in Gulf Energy & Infrastructure's expansion plans across Southeast Asia.

Kalmar Customer's Day in Shanghai 9th to 13th April 2025



Mutiara Perlis representatives were Ir Aris Abdul Halim Lead Engineer, Mr Irwan Zamanshary Abdul Aziz GM Logistics & Mr Azim Kazim Shabaruddin Senior Manager Business Development

Perlis Inland Port Primed for Progress



From left: Mr Pan Chee Seng Group CEO Mach1, Mr Abbas Bilgrami Principal Adviser Mutiara Perlis, Mr Hasri A. Hassan COO NCER, Ms Christy Chew Branch Manager GF Forklift Services (Penang) Sdn Bhd, Mr Wan Ahmad Zaheed Wan Mohamad Group MD & CEO Mutiara Perlis, Dato' Shabaruddin Ibrahim Group Executive Chairman Mutiara Perlis, YBhg. Tan Sri Dato' Sri (Dr.) Mohamad Norza Zakaria Executive Chairman & President Citiglobal Berhad, YBhg. Dato' Dr Mohamed Amin Mohd Kassim KTM Board Member, Mr Yew Boon Teo VP Kalmar AMEA and Mr Arif Rida Shabaruddin MD & CEO Inland Port Perlis Sdn Bhd at Sale and Purchase Agreement Signing Ceremony

21st May 2025 Kuala Lumpur: At the "Lift to New Heights" event in Shanghai, April 9-13, 2025, Mutiara Perlis team celebrated Kalmar's launch of electric container handlers and heavy forklifts, underscoring their sustainability commitment and 20th anniversary of Shanghai plant, a testament to Kalmar's dedication to Asian market. Building on this, Mutiara Perlis will invest RM17 million in state of the art equipment supplied by Mach 1 and Kalmar for PIP, helping make it the leading multimodal logistics hub for Northern Malaysia while enhancing Perlis's regional trade prominence.

FM GLOBAL LOGISTICS (M) SDN BHD



From left: Mr Malcolm Goonting FM Global Logistics Director-Northern Region, Mr Muhammad Hamdi Tajau Rahim Assistant Manager Business Development Mutiara Perlis and Mr Boon FM Global Logistics BKH.

17th April 2025 PIP: Visit from FM Global Logistics, resulted in discussion on their northern region operations based out of Penang, which currently involve cross-border trucking of approximately 40,000 TEUs annually via Bukit Kayu Hitam (BKH). They expressed interest in PIP's multi modal connectivity especially rail connections to Penang and Klang. FM Logistics were specifically interested in understanding rail rolling stock availability and operations. FM delegation interested in setting up their own warehouse in PIP and emphasized importance of having agent offices conveniently located within PIP for efficient workflow, highlighting need for easy access to custom declaration point.

LEE TING SAN (LTS) GROUP OF COMPANIES



Mr Azim Kazim Shabaruddin Senior Manager Business Development Mutiara Perlis, Mr Deeva COO LTS and Mr Muhammad Hamdi Tajau Rahim Assistant Manager Business Development Mutiara Perlis

21st April 2025 Penang: During PIP BD team's visit to LTS Operation Yard in Penang, they discovered an ingenious operation. The yard acts as a layover spot for containers bound for Penang Port, keeping them on trailers for easy and lift-free movement. This elegant but simple approach frees up prime movers for other tasks and stands in contrast to LTS HQ's warehouse activities, which involve cross-docking and unloading. LTS even handle their own maintenance at their operation yard in Penang.

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL (MKN)



27th April 2025 PIP: Director-General of National Security MKN, YM Raja Dato' Nushirwan bin Zainal Abidin six from left and team toured Package 1 (bonded road) and received a briefing from NCIA and PIP team at IBC CVIA, with NLC National Logistics Centre, PGA, and PDRM in attendance, to assess PIP's development. MKN focused on border safety and security, especially along bonded road with PGA to advocate for a patrol road between bonded area and Thai border for improved monitoring. MKN also stressed the need for 100% cargo scanning using customs scanners at PIP. The visit concluded with MKN stated that PIP was safe and secure for operation.

MILLEN TRADING SDN BHD



From left Mr Muhammad Hamdi Tajau Rahim Assistant Manager Business Development Mutiara Perlis, Mr Jimmy Ng Shipping Manager and Mr Chew Ah Fock Chief Investment Officer Millen Trading Sdn Bhd

5th May 2025 IBC: PIP had a productive follow-up meeting with Mr. Jimmy Ng and Mr. Chew after their visit to Mutiara Perlis HQ. They have indicated their keenness to explore opportunities for Millen at PIP specifically in cargo movements to Kunming.

Courtesy Call to Office of YB Datuk Haji Hasbi Haji Habibollah Deputy Minister MOT



From left: Mr Wan Ahmad Zaheed Wan Mohamad Group MD & CEO Mutiara Perlis, YB Datuk Haji Hasbi Haji Habibollah Deputy Minister Of Transport and Mr Abbas Hyder Bilgrami Principal Adviser Mutiara Perlis

19th May 2025 Putrajaya: YB Datuk Haji Hasbi graciously welcomed Mutiara Perlis team to Putrajaya. We were given ample time to brief on Perlis Inland Port and its effort to connect to Thailand and Pan Asia Rail Network.

Briefing on PIP Linkages to Deputy Secretary General (Policy) of Ministry of Transport



From left: Mr Phaiboun Panyasavath Strategic and Business Development Supervisor Thanaleng Dry Port Lao, Mr Abbas Bilgrami Principal Adviser Mutiara Perlis, Mr Sakhone Philangam Managing Director Thanaleng Dry Port Lao, Dato' Normah Osman Deputy Secretary General for Policy MOT, Ms Norhasliza Mat Salleh Director NLC MOT, Mr Wan Ahmad Zaheed Wan Mohamad Group MD & CEO Mutiara Perlis and Mr Mohd Faiz Hakim Husain Group Managing Director Sufi Group Sdn Bhd

19th May 2025 Putrajaya: PIP & Thanaleng Dry Port who signed a Memorandum of Cooperation back in June 2023, came to see Minister of Transport to inform as its joint effort to link ASEAN with Transport Corridor Europe - Caucasus - Asia (TRACECA) championed by Türkiye and China.

Official Visit by YB Senator Datuk Seri Amir Hamzah Azizan, Minister of Finance II to PIP



From left: Mr Muhammad Fazlullah Abdul Aziz Director, Project Delivery NCIA, YBrs. Dr. Nor Fuaad Abdul Hamid Deputy Secretary General Management MOT, YB Senator Datuk Seri Amir Hamzah Azizan, Minister of Finance II, Mr Arif Rida Shabaruddin Managing Director & CEO Inland Port Perlis Sdn Bhd and YB Tuan Izizam Ibrahim, Perlis State Executive Councillor (Infrastructure, Transport & Border Relations)

1st June 2025 Lembah Chuping: Fresh from the 17th Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibition (LIMA) 2025, YB Senator Datuk Seri Amir Hamzah made a quick stop to Langkawi neighbour, Perlis. The Minister was given a tour of PIP development by Mr Arif Rida Shabaruddin, Managing Director - CEO of PIP and Mr Muhammad Fazlullah Abdul Aziz, NCIA Project Delivery Director.



PERLIS INLAND PORT: A New Dawn for Northern Gateway

Get ready, Malaysia! This July, Perlis is poised to connect to the world with completion of construction of Perlis Inland Port (PIP). Positioned strategically along Malaysia - Thailand border, PIP promises to be a vibrant hub for both local and international trade. Beyond logistics, PIP is about people. We aim to create job & business opportunities for Malaysians and fostering economic growth within the community.



GIAT MARA PERLIS, 14th APRIL 2025



INSTITUT LATIHAN PERINDUSTRIAN KANGAR MOU, 28th APRIL 2025



Mutiara Perlis initiative, spearheaded by PIP, is deeply rooted in UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We are committed to:

- Goal 1:** Ending poverty through job creation.
- Goal 2:** Promoting food security and sustainable agriculture.
- Goal 4:** Guaranting inclusive, equitable and quality education and foster lifelong learning for everyone
- Goal 8:** Driving inclusive economic growth and decent work.
- Goal 9:** Building resilient infrastructure and fostering innovation.

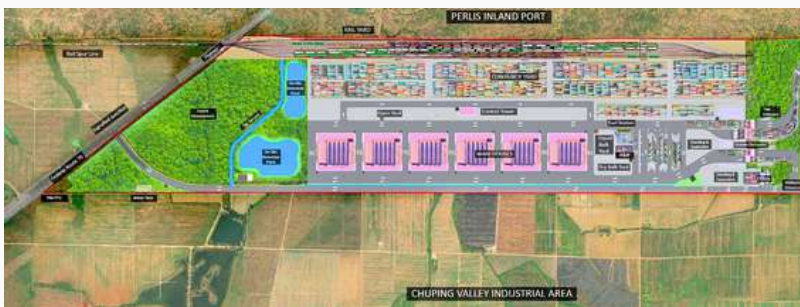
Perlis Inland Port is not just a port; it's a gateway to a brighter future for Perlis Malaysia, Thailand and greater ASEAN with Belt Road Initiative (BRI) and TRACECA/Middle Corridor. We're excited to open our doors and welcome everyone to this new chapter!

PIP Progress Report



As of **June 2025**, the **PIP internal infrastructure** has reached **85%** completion. Meanwhile, external infrastructure works stand at **93%** for the **rail spur line and flyover**, and **100%** for the **bonded road**. Mutiara Perlis is excited and fully focused on the upcoming **opening** scheduled for **July 2025**.

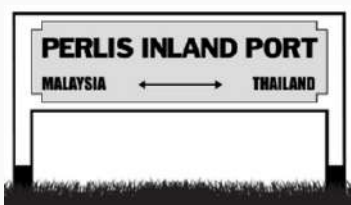
About Us



Mutiara Perlis is a JVCo. between State of Perlis & private sector to develop transport & energy infrastructures in Perlis One of these projects is Perlis Inland Port, a 500 acres inland port at Malaysia-Thailand border near Padang Besar & Chuping Valley to facilitate cross border trade between Malaysia, Thailand, Mekong Basin Subregion & China.

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