



Press Release

MCMC INVITES DRAFT PLANS FOR JENDELA 2 (BATCH 1) TO ENHANCE NATIONWIDE CONNECTIVITY

CYBERJAYA, 31 March 2026 - The Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) has issued the first invitation for the submission of draft plans under Jalanan Digital Negara Phase 2 (JENDELA 2), reflecting the Government's continued commitment to strengthening Malaysia's digital infrastructure and nationwide connectivity.

Batch 1 will introduce a range of fit-for-purpose approaches, including public cellular services for 4G and 5G (where feasible), Wi-Fi solutions through satellite connectivity, and the first implementation of the Neutral Host Platform. This platform enables users to access Wi-Fi networks using their existing mobile data plans from their respective mobile network operators, supporting a more consistent and seamless user experience.

Building on the achievements of JENDELA Phase 1, JENDELA 2 continues the Government's efforts to expand coverage and improve service quality. The initiative is designed to address remaining coverage gaps, enhance network performance and expand access to high-quality broadband services, particularly in rural and underserved areas.

This initiative supports the national agenda to extend Internet coverage to 2,700 sites nationwide, benefitting approximately 217,000 people in rural and remote regions, particularly in Sabah and Sarawak, while ensuring these communities remain a priority in national development.

Batch 1 comprises 1,000 sites nationwide, with 31.1% in Peninsular Malaysia, 33.7% in Sarawak, and 35.2% in Sabah. The project is expected to commence as early as the third quarter of 2026, subject to evaluation and governance processes. The remaining 1,700 sites will be implemented under a subsequent batch to be finalised by MCMC.

In line with Regulation 5 of the Communications and Multimedia (Universal Service Provision) Regulations 2002, MCMC invites eligible licensees to submit a Registration of Interest and Draft Universal Service Plan within the specified timeline. These submissions will form the basis of MCMC's assessment to identify suitable licensees for project implementation.

MCMC will continue to work closely with stakeholders to ensure the smooth implementation of JENDELA 2 and the delivery of quality digital connectivity nationwide.

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