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TWO MONTHS TOLL FREE RIDE ALONG LATAR HIGHWAY

KUALA LUMPUR, June 23 (Bernama) -- Motorists using the Kuala Lumpur-Kuala Selangor Highway (LATAR) will be able to use the highway managed by Kuala Lumpur Selangor Expressways Berhad (KLSEB) without paying toll until Aug 31.

Works Minister Datuk Shaziman Abu Mansor said the decision was an initiative by the government to ease the burden of road users.

"It is also why we have rebates and discounts during festivals like Christmas, Deepavali, Hari Raya Aidilfitri and Chinese New Year," he told reporters when opening the Rimba Templer Toll Plaza Thursday.

The 33km highway built at a cost of RM958 million by KLSEB, links Kuala Selangor, Assam Jawa, Ijok, Batang Berjuntai, Kota Puteri, Puncak Alam, Shah Alam, Bukit Jelutong, Sungai Buloh, Kundang, Rawang, Petaling Jaya and Kuala Lumpur.

Apart from the Rimba Templer Toll Plaza, there are two other toll plazas along the highway, namely the Assam Jawa Toll Plaza and Kuang Toll Plaza.

He added that from 2011-2015, toll charges for class 1 to class 5 vehicles would vary from RM2 to RM6 while taxis pay RM1 and buses RM4.

Shaziman said the highway which would shorten travel time from Kuala Lumpur to Ijok from 90 minutes to 30 would also link the proposed West Coast Expressway.

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