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Cahaya Mata Phosphate Plant Nears Commissioning with Power Restoration

KUCHING, 9 September 2025 – Cahya Mata Sarawak Berhad ("Cahaya Mata" or "the Group"), announced that power supply to its phosphate complex in Samalaju Industrial Park in Bintulu, was restored today, enabling commissioning activities to resume.

The phosphate complex, a 142-hectare facility, is operated by **Cahaya Mata Phosphates Industries Sdn Bhd ("Cahaya Mata Phosphates")**, which manufactures yellow phosphorus (YP), technical grade phosphoric acid (TPA) and food-grade phosphoric acid (FGA) with a purity of 99.9%.

Cahaya Mata Phosphates is 79.07%-owned by Samalaju Industries Sdn Bhd and 1.12%-owned by Cahya Mata Professionals Sdn Bhd, both wholly owned subsidiaries of Cahya Mata.

"The re-energisation of power for the phosphate complex marks a significant step towards commercialisation of the operation," said **Dato Sri Sulaiman Abdul Rahman Taib, Group Managing Director of Cahya Mata**. "This project will help Malaysia realise its first phosphate plant, enhancing food security at home and building resilience across regional supply chains."

Mainly powered by Sarawak's renewable hydropower, the facility will restart operations through a phased ramp-up and is expected to reach full capacity in the first half of 2026 after meeting all safety, quality and performance standards.

Strategically located near the Samalaju deepwater port, the facility is well positioned to serve both domestic demand and regional export markets.

YP is targeted for domestic use and export to Japan, Korea, India, Taiwan and Europe, while TPA and FGA will serve local markets as well as Thailand, Japan and Indonesia.

At full capacity, the plant will produce 48,000 metric tons of YP, 75,000 metric tons of TPA, and 60,000 metric tons of FGA annually.

Malaysia currently imports most of its supply from other countries in the region; local production will reduce reliance on imports and help build a stronger, more resilient food manufacturing industry.

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The phosphate complex will also provide building blocks for downstream chemical clusters, while creating much needed skilled jobs and broader opportunities for the industry.

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About Cahya Mata Phosphates Industries Sdn Bhd

Cahya Mata Phosphates Industries Sdn Bhd (CMPI) is the operator of Malaysia's first phosphate complex, located in Samalaju Industrial Park, Sarawak. A joint venture between Samalaju Industries Sdn Bhd (a wholly owned subsidiary of Cahya Mata Sarawak Berhad), Malaysia Ventures Sdn Bhd and Arif Enigma Sdn Bhd, CMPI produces yellow phosphorus and food grade phosphoric acid.

Strategically positioned opposite Samalaju Port, the complex is set to strengthen regional supply chains by supporting food safety, reducing import reliance and contributing to long-term food security across Southeast Asia.

About Cahya Mata Sarawak Berhad

Cahya Mata Sarawak Berhad ("Cahya Mata") is a multinational conglomerate listed on the Main Market of the Malaysian stock exchange, Bursa Malaysia.

Cahya Mata oversees a portfolio of 40 operating companies across diverse sectors such as cement, road maintenance, property development, oiltools, environmental technology, phosphates manufacturing, and strategic investments, which include financial services and telecommunications infrastructure.

Having been operational for over 50 years, Cahya Mata has established an expanding international presence in 10 countries around the world. The company emphasises operational excellence, environmental responsibility, and stakeholder engagement. As Cahya Mata progresses, it maintains a focus on its foundational values while seeking improved performance, resilience, and transparency. The professionals within the conglomerate work collaboratively towards shared goals and sustainable practices.

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