Construction sector expands 8.1% in 2Q23

PETALING JAYA: The construction sector rose 8.1% year-on-year in the value of work done in the second quarter of 2023 (2Q23) to record a total of RM32.4bil, the Statistics Department says.

Chief statistician Datuk Seri Mohd Uzir Mahidin said the increment was supported continuously by double-digit growth in civil engineering with a 10.4% growth in

this quarter (1Q23: 17.2%).

"In the meantime, the sub-sector of special trade activities recorded higher growth in this quarter by 9.8% compared to 9% in the previous quarter, while the non-residential buildings sub-sector grew modestly by 5.7% (1Q23: 9.6%).

"Additionally, the work done value in the residential building sub-sectors rebounded to 6.9% from negative 2.2% registered in the preceding quarter," he said in a state-

ment yesterday.

"A total of RM12.1bil or 37.4% of the construction work done value was civil engineering, contributed mainly by the construction of roads and railways activity with a value of RM6.5bil." — Bernama