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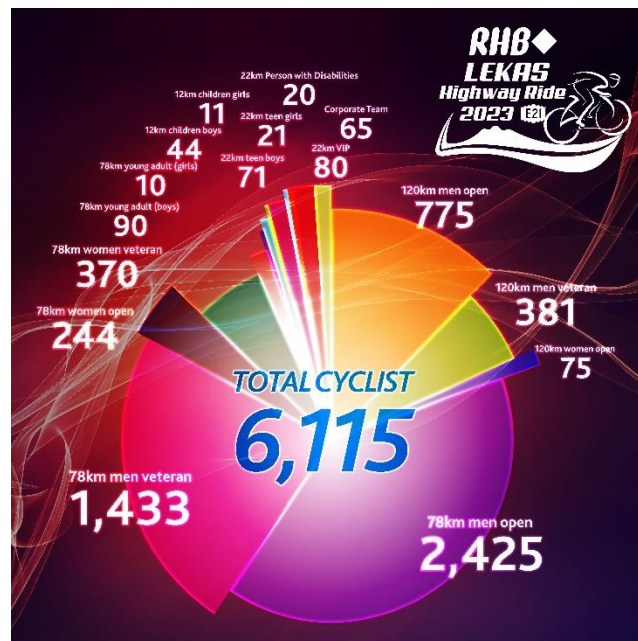
RHB LEKAS HIGHWAY RIDE 2023 DRAWS LARGEST, MOST INCLUSIVE TURNOUT EVER

Kuala Lumpur - The much-anticipated eighth edition of Malaysia's largest night cycling event, the RHB LEKAS Highway Ride 2023, illuminated the LEKAS Highway E21 on a weekend night with celebration, unity and inclusivity.

Over 6,000 cycling enthusiasts from close to 30 nations worldwide, including Singapore, Brunei, France, Germany, Japan, South Korea, Australia and the United States of America, rode the illuminated highway E21 in high spirits and keen focus towards the finishing line. More significantly, this year's inclusive RHB LEKAS Highway Ride 2023 also bore witness to the participation of persons with disability and an expanded veteran women category.

The RHB LEKAS Highway Ride 2023 is a collaboration between RHB Banking Group and Lebuhraya Kajang Seremban Sdn Bhd ("LEKAS"), a subsidiary of IJM Corporation Berhad's Toll Division. The race was flagged off by YB. Datuk Seri Jalaluddin Bin Alias, Chairman of the Malaysia Highway Authority, Yang Amat Mulia Tunku Naquiyuddin Ibni Tuanku Ja'afar, Tunku Laksamana Negeri Sembilan and Director of LEKAS, Ybhg. Tan Sri Ahmad Badri Mohd Zahir, Chairman of RHB Banking Group, Mohd Rashid Bin Mohamad, Group Managing Director/Group Chief Executive Officer of RHB Banking Group, and Lee Chun Fai, Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director of IJM Corporation Berhad at the Kajang Selatan Toll Plaza at 7:45pm and concluded at LEKAS Highway E21 in stages. This year's cycling event featured four different categories: 120km, 78km, 22km and 12km. A novel subcategory was introduced for veteran women cyclists in the 78km route.

“RHB LEKAS Highway Ride 2023 is Malaysia’s largest gathering of cyclists, bringing together cyclists from all walks of life domestically and globally, a testament to our unity and spirit. However, it is not just about achieving the largest number of participants; it is about the inclusivity that defines us. This year’s RHB LEKAS Highway Ride edition introduced a new category for veteran women cyclists, reminding us that passion knows no bounds,” said Mohd Rashid Mohamad, Group Managing Director/Group Chief Executive Officer of RHB Banking Group.



Infographic: RHB LEKAS Highway Ride 2023 Cyclist Participation

“We are thrilled to return as the venue sponsor. The RHB LEKAS Highway Ride is more than just a cycling event – it underscores unity and inclusivity, made even more meaningful with the participation of 20 persons with disabilities (PWD) from the Paralympics Council of Malaysia. It is heartening to see participants from over 30 nations, embracing the spirit of unity, racing along the highway, and pushing their limits in both familiar and newly-introduced routes. I would like to extend my appreciation to the Royal Malaysia Police (PDRM) for ensuring a seamless event. Kudos to all participants, supporters and partners who turned this night into a symphony of pedal strokes and shared ambitions,” said Lee Chun Fai, Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director of IJM Corporation Berhad.

The RHB LEKAS Highway Ride 2023 encompassed two main distance segments: 120km and 78km. For the 120km route, there were four categories: "Men Open" and "Women Open" for cyclists between the ages of 22 and 44; "Men Veteran" for cyclists aged 45 years and above; and "Corporate/Open Team" for cyclists aged 22 years and above.

The 78km route offered similar categories of "Men Open" and "Women Open" for cyclists between the ages of 22 and 44; "Men Veteran" for cyclists aged 45 years and above and "Women Veteran" for cyclists aged 40 years and above; and additionally, "Young Adults (Boys)" and "Young Adults (Girls)" for cyclists between the ages of 17 and 21 years.

This year's LEKAS Highway Bike Ride 2023 also featured a special fun ride spanning 22km for teenagers aged 13 to 16 and a 12km route for children aged 10 between 12 years. IJM Corporation Berhad sponsored these additional routes to create a fun and safe environment for youths to stoke their cycling passion.

In a further commitment to inclusivity and supporting the indomitable spirit of athletes, IJM Corporation Berhad contributed RM50,000 to the Paralympic Council Malaysia. This donation underscores the company's support for the paralympic movement and its commendable endeavours. The RHB LEKAS Highway Ride 2023 is not just about fostering a cycling culture; it also embodies IJM's mission to be a force for good, making a meaningful difference both on and off the cycling track.

With more than 6,000 participants, the cycling event has topped the previous year's record of 5,600 participants, once again making it a highly anticipated event in every avid cyclist's calendar.

For more information on the RHB LEKAS Highway Ride 2023, please visit www.lekashighwayride.my, www.facebook.com/LekasHighwayRide/, www.facebook.com/GoSportzEvent/ and <https://www.instagram.com/rhblekashighwayride/> .

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RESULTS OF THE RHB LEKAS HIGHWAY RIDE 2023

Categories	Winners	Time
120km Men Open	1. Mohd Hafiz Bin Rozli 2. Azli Najmibion Zulkefli 3. Abdul Syazwan Bin Abdul Rahman	1. 02:53:33 2. 02:53:33 3. 02:53:34
120km Men Veteran	1. Joe Salleh 2. Tsen (曾祥宏) 3. Wong Jau Ming (黄昭铭)	1. 02:58:37 2. 02:58:38 3. 02:58:38
120km Women Open	1. Guan Joo Yoke (颜如玉) 2. Tan Evangeline Ivy 3. Eve Miao (苗梦优)	1. 02:58:54 2. 03:04:40 3. 03:04:43
120km Corporate/Open Team	1. Team Trinity 2. Team Jami Bike 3. Team KPCT	1. 08:45:33 2. 08:51:53 3. 08:55:52
78km Men Open	1. Anuar Manan 2. Ng Yong Li (黄永利) 3. Mohd Razif Bin Mohd Salleh	1. 01:51:24 2. 01:54:04 3. 01:54:06
78km Men Veteran	1. Seanjimmy Chang (郑伟平) 2. Nash Lim See How (林世好) 3. Wong Kum Swee (黄金水)	1. 01:54:10 2. 01:54:11 3. 01:54:15
78km Women Open	1. Ong Siew Kei (王晓琪) 2. Dagreat Izzura 3. Tan Sok Hue Sumiko (陈淑慧)	1. 01:54:14 2. 02:00:07 3. 02:03:17
78km Women Veteran	1. Suhaina Binti Mohd Shuif 2. Chow Foon Yee (邹凤仪) 3. Diong Yoke Fong (张予凤)	1. 02:03:18 2. 02:05:10 3. 02:06:55
78km Young Adults (Male)	1. Ahmad Fairros Bin Abdul Ghani 2. Soh Wei Xiang (苏伟翔) 3. Adam Zikri Iman B Mohamad Zahari	1. 01:51:24 2. 01:54:07 3. 01:54:07
78km Young Adults (Female)	1. Lee Fong Ling (李烽菱) 2. Crystal (蓝苑綾) 3. Chen Rey Von (陈莉温)	1. 02:55:42 2. 03:05:37 3. 03:19:31