Launching Ceremony of IBS Homes and IBS Homes Catalogue at BINA 2023

WELCOMING SPEECH

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Ladies and gentlemen, distinguished guests and fellow conference attendees,

Assalamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh, Salam Sejahtera and a very good morning.

1. A warm and heartfelt welcome to the highly anticipated BINA 2023! hosted by the Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB) Malaysia and CIDB IBS Sdn Bhd.

2. BINA 2023 marks a significant milestone for us, as we gather here in person for the first-ever onsite BINA conference after transitioning from online events due to Covid-19 restrictions. The excitement and eagerness to connect, share knowledge, and network face-to-face are palpable, and we are thrilled to have you all here today.

3. BINA 2023 serves as a platform for industry players to come together, learn from one another, share experiences, and gain insights from renowned thought leaders. It stands as a multifaceted gathering that brings together diverse components, industry experts, and forward-thinking partners, all with the goal of elevating and transforming Malaysia's construction landscape, particularly in building technologies.

4. This two-day event, comprising the Conference, Product Talk, IBS Homes Tour, IBS Gallery Tour, Exhibition, and the IBS Homes Launching Ceremony, promises to be a melting pot of ideas, innovations, and transformative concepts.

5. This year's theme, "IBS Through Digital Commercialization" is particularly relevant in our current era of rapid technological advancement and increasing demands for sustainable and efficient construction practices. It represents a strategic and forward-looking approach to address the challenges faced by the construction industry in Malaysia and beyond.

6. We have designed BINA 2023 to be an immersive and fruitful experience for all attendees.

6.1) Product Talk is where pioneering companies present their groundbreaking products and solutions. It's a platform for industry players to showcase their latest innovations, digital tools, and cutting-edge technologies that are set to revolutionize the construction landscape. The Product Talk sessions offer a glimpse

into the future of construction, sparking curiosity and collaboration among attendees and companies alike.

6.2) As we envision the future of housing, the IBS Homes Tour provides an exclusive opportunity for participants to explore firsthand the marvels of Industrialized Building Systems. Guided by experts, attendees will be taken on a tour to witness exemplary IBS-built homes that exemplify efficiency, durability, and sustainability.

6.3) The IBS Gallery Tour complements the IBS Homes Tour, taking attendees through an impressive gallery of projects that have successfully implemented IBS technologies. Showcasing a wide range of infrastructure developments, commercial buildings, and residential complexes, the IBS Gallery Tour illustrates the immense potential of IBS in enhancing construction quality and expediting project timelines.

6.4) The Exhibition is a bustling marketplace where leading companies, technology providers, and industry stakeholders come together to display their latest products, services, and solutions. This vibrant space fosters networking opportunities and encourages collaboration between attendees and exhibitors. The Exhibition offers a comprehensive showcase of the latest advancements in the construction domain.

Esteemed conference guests and participants,

7. I take immense pride in reiterating that CIDB has been at the forefront of championing the IBS agenda in Malaysia's construction industry for a significant period. It started with the first pilot project by the government, Flat Pekeliling, constructed using the IBS system back in 1964. Subsequently, CIDB led and drove the IBS agenda, with the execution of the first IBS strategic plan in 1999. Since then, our efforts have continued to ensure the successful implementation of IBS technology in our construction projects.

8. Beyond the conferences, we are honored to witness another achievement for the Construction Industry in Malaysia during this event. A key focus of BINA 2023 is to launch the latest initiatives by CIDB, namely, IBS Homes and IBS Homes Catalogue.

9. I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the Honorable Dato Sri Alexander Nanta Linggi, the Minister of Works Malaysia for his presence here today, for the launching ceremony.

10. The launch of the IBS Homes Catalogue and IBS Homes marks a turning point for us. It showcases our relentless pursuit of excellence and our unyielding commitment to building a sustainable and technologically advanced nation. Our dedication to streamlining processes and embracing cutting-edge solutions has resulted in a revolution that reverberates far beyond the confines of these walls.

11. So prepare to be astonished as we usher in a new era of construction excellence. **The IBS Homes Catalog** stands as a milestone achievement in our pursuit of providing affordable housing solutions to our citizens. Featuring 46 options of standard designs, tailored to meet the requirements of affordable housing set forth by the Ministry of Local Government Development (KPKT), this catalog opens up new possibilities for the housing industry. The digital platform accessible via the SMART portal CIDB ensures easy access to these designs. Moreover, these standard designs are integrated with Building Information Modeling (BIM) and estimated IBS Scores which have been specified through various selections of the IBS System, making them truly innovative and sustainable.

12. With the unveiling of 46 standardized IBS residential designs on our cutting-edge 'SMART' portal, we have heralded a revolution in the way stakeholders build affordable homes. The inefficiencies of yesteryears dissipate, making way for a future defined by resource efficiency and sustainable practices. Gone are the days of complexity and delay; in its stead, we present a seamless and swift process that empowers stakeholders like never before.

13. But that is not all. Allow me to tantalize your senses with another feat of innovation: The **IBS Homes** – a tangible manifestation of our commitment to exploring diverse IBS systems. Step into the realm of immersive experience when you set foot in our CIDB Complex facility and witness the physicalized sample houses—the epitome of practicality and the embodiment of IBS technology's boundless potential. Behold, as the

blueprint becomes reality, and the future of construction materializes before your very eyes.

14. These five new sample houses, constructed based on five IBS systems, including the Interlocking Hollow Block System, Pre-cast concrete system, Metal framing system, Hollow Core Pre-cast concrete system, and 3D Printing, demonstrate the versatility and adaptability of these technologies. Located at the IBS Homes, CIDB Complex, Chan Sow Lin, Cheras, these sample houses can be visited by pre-booking a slot with CIDB IBS Sdn Bhd.

Ladies and gentlemen,

15. One of the most remarkable highlights of BINA 2023 is the upcoming Memorandum of Collaboration Exchange between CIDB IBS Sdn Bhd and CIDB Technology Sdn Bhd. This partnership marks a pivotal step forward as they join forces to create an innovative digital IBS products E-Commerce Marketplace platform, catering to the needs of the construction industry. This exciting initiative is not to be missed, as it promises to revolutionize the way we conduct business in this sector

16. As we delve into all these crucial turning points, let us revel in the possibilities that lie before us. Today, I invite all of you to be pioneers of change, trailblazers of innovation, and architects of a brighter, more sustainable future. We can build a sustainable, innovative, and resilient future for Malaysia's construction industry.

17. Before I conclude, I would like to express my gratitude to our BINA 2023 partners - all 24 of them - including government agencies, private companies, universities, industry bodies, associations, and international counterparts supporting us this year. Truly, BINA 2023 is a product of all our collaborative efforts - an event by the industry, with the industry, for the industry.

18. With gratitude and enthusiasm, I want to thank our 19 sponsors, including GAMUDA IBS, our Platinum Sponsor, and Terra Drone Technology Malaysia, our key partner. Your support has been invaluable in making BINA 2023 a resounding success. Equally, our appreciation goes to our 6 Gold sponsors and 6 Silver sponsors, whose contributions played a significant role in this achievement.

19. I also extend my heartfelt appreciation to our distinguished panel of 21 speakers, whose expertise and thought leadership will enlighten us during the breakout and product talk sessions. Your insights are crucial as we work towards elevating and transforming Malaysia's construction sector to compete on a global scale.

20. A special thank you again to Honorable Dato Sri Alexander Nanta Linggi for being an integral part of BINA 2023, where dreams meet reality and innovation converges with inspiration.

21. To the 400 attendees, your presence is invaluable. Let the spirit of camaraderie and shared purpose guide us as we embark on this exhilarating venture, filled with endless possibilities. May the echoes of our endeavors inspire generations to come.

Wishing you all a fruitful and enlightening conference day ahead!

God bless. Salam Malaysia Madani.