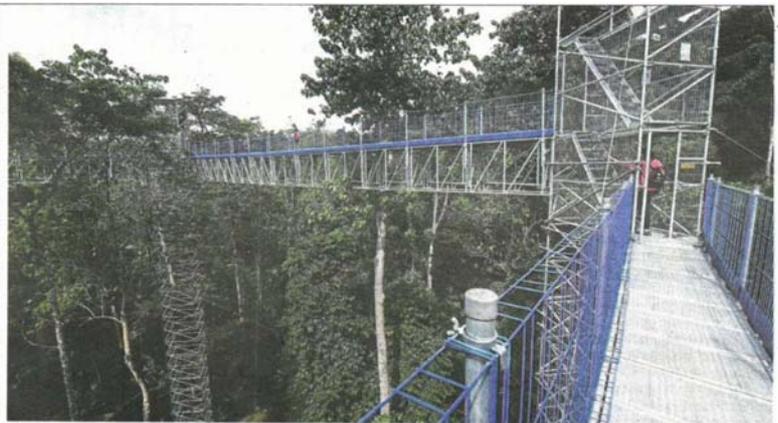


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Visitors can spot the Petronas Twin Towers and Kuala Lumpur Tower from Forest Skywalk.



The 250m-long aluminium Forest Skywalk in Kepong Botanical Garden is an environmentally-friendly structure with safety features. — Photos: Bernama

EVER imagine getting a bird's eye view of the federal capital from an altitude of 141m above sea level?

With that sort of vantage point, it will be breathtaking as you can also enjoy a panoramic view of Kuala Lumpur city skyline, including the Petronas Twin Towers, Kuala Lumpur Tower and Tun Razak Exchange Tower.

This view can be experienced from the Forest Skywalk at Kepong Botanical Garden in Kuala Lumpur, which comes under Forest Research Institute of Malaysia (FRIM).

The skywalk reopened to the public on Oct 16, after being closed for more than a year due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

FRIM director-general Dr Ismail Parlan said in line with the transition phase of the National Recovery Plan, the institute had made the necessary preparations to receive visitors at the latest

Skywalk view for those with advance booking

Visitors must purchase tickets online to enjoy attraction in Kepong

attraction in the city. Kepong Botanical Garden is about 20km from the city centre.

Reservation through online booking is required as only 160 visitors are allowed each day.

"The bridge was opened to the public on Aug 31 last year and within 35 days of its opening, attracted more than 12,000 visitors," said Ismail.

"So in line with the current situ-

ation, we are improving the system by introducing advance online booking to avoid congestion and ensure physical distancing is practised."

He said the 250m-long aluminium skybridge, an environmentally-friendly structure with safety features, was built at a cost of RM3.5mil.

"It is connected to eight towers of different heights, ranging from

18m to 50m, offering views of the lake and jungle greenery," he added.

Ismail said only five individuals were allowed on the bridge at a time and visitors must wait their turn to climb the stairs to the skybridge.

"I hope this facility will also help to increase public awareness and appreciation of the importance of forests in overcoming cli-

mate change and sharing the responsibility of caring for nature," he added.

Those keen on experiencing the skybridge and getting a view from the treetops at Kepong Botanical Garden can book their visits via the FRIM website.

Tickets are priced between RM8 and RM15 and the park is open from 8.30am to 3.30pm. — Bernama