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PRESS RELEASE

PENANG HILL FUNICULAR SERVICE MAINTENANCE SHUT DOWN FOR THE SECOND BI-ANNUAL SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE FROM 17-28 MAY 2022.

The Penang Hill Funicular Service is expected to be shut down for the 2nd bi-annual scheduled maintenance for year 2022 from 17-28 May 2022 and will resume its service on 29 May 2022.

Penang Hill Corporation (PHC) is monitoring the COVID-19 situation and is hopeful that the engineers from the funicular manufacturer (Garaventa AG from Switzerland) will be able to return to supervise the 2nd bi-annual maintenance in May 2022 as we recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.

PHC also conducts regular checks and maintenance of its funicular system on a daily, weekly and monthly basis, plus the routine inspections that are carried out after the operation hours. These maintenances and inspections are necessary to ensure that the funicular system is always in tip-top running condition and meets stringent safety compliance checks.

Starting from year 2022, PHC will also be implementing monthly full-day shutdown to carry out inspection and maintenance of the funicular. The focus will be on inspecting the wear and tear condition of the funicular and to carry out maintenance tasks which are unable to be carried out during the normal operations of the funicular. The first monthly full-day shutdown was successfully carried out on 25 January 2022. The next monthly funicular service shut down will be on 22 February 2022 and subsequently on 23 March 2022.

During the shutdown period, visitors may opt for the jeep service operated by the Penang Hill Residents Association (Contact No. 019-572 0543), or the existing hiking routes to reach the summit area of Penang Hill.

PHC reserves the right to reschedule the maintenance at any time should the need arises. Visitors are advised to follow PHC's social media pages (Facebook, Instagram and Twitter) to receive updates on the shutdown dates including the monthly full-day shutdown.

PHC would like to thank all visitors for their patience and continuous support to Penang Hill. Any inconvenience caused is very much regretted. For enquiries, please contact Penang Hill Corporation at 04-828 8880 or email to inquiries@penanghill.gov.my.

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About Penang Hill Corporation

Penang Hill Corporation was established in 2009 through an enactment passed by the Penang State Legislative Assembly. Its main focus is to manage the funicular system, maintain and develop Penang Hill as a major ecotourism destination, and its vision is to make Penang Hill the hill resort of choice in Malaysia and the region.

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