

## **Minister reviews Monorail operations**

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KUALA LUMPUR: Transport Minister Anthony Loke is reviewing the operations of the KL Monorail after noticing a gradual decline in its ridership. Average ridership fell from 71,943 in 2015 to 48,748 last year. After an on-site visit yesterday, he concluded that a lack of cars was contributing to the problem. "We have only five sets of two car trains operating at the moment and this has caused the frequency of the service to be very irregular," Loke said. Five sets of four-car trains have been grounded since January due to eight incidents last year. Loke added he was considering asking train supplier Scomi Engineering Berhad to repair the trains. The second option was to have an open tender to get a new supplier for the trains. He added he would propose both options to the Cabinet by the end of the year and foresees better quality of monorail services by the first half of next year.

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