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**PETALING JAYA** — In another step to promote sustainability in the built environment, the Real Estate and Housing Developers' Association (Rehda) Malaysia established the GreenRE Township Tool, an extension of its existing tool for sustainability assessment.

Rehda's president Datuk Seri FD Iskandar said the township tool will enable developments to extend the green building assessment to neighbourhood and community levels, hence allowing a wider area of assessment.

"In time, the tool is hoped to help achieve the nation's target of 40 per cent carbon reduction by the year 2020," he said at the Rehda Fellowship Dinner and Presentation of GreenRE Certification Award.

The GreenRE, which was launched two years ago, is a non-profit initiative aimed at differentiating the local built environment from those of other cities, thereby contributing to a better quality of life for everyone in Malaysia.

Iskandar said that the initiative is to drive Malaysia's construction industry towards more environmentally-friendly conscientiousness.

"I hope that this township tool will be an alternative

in benchmarking the developers' green development," he said.

Iskandar presented the GreenRE Certifications to 19 projects by 13 developers, with a total of four Platinum, seven Gold, two Silver and six Bronze ratings certifications.

He said that these recipients, heeding the clarion call of Rehda's tagline – "Towards Sustainable Development", have created various award-winning developments which will shape a greener and more advanced Malaysian city skyline.

"Through proper and effective implementation of GreenRE employed tools and criteria, tailor-made for the various categories for property, these developments have achieved increased efficiency of energy and water consumption while raising the standard of living for the occupants," he said.

Among the recipients for Platinum rating certification were SP Setia Bhd for SP Setia Bhd Corporate Headquarters; Ken Holdings Sdn Bhd for Ken Rimba Condominium 2 and Jimbaran Residences; and New Bob Group for The Manor. – *Roznah Abdul Jabbar*



Rehda's president Datuk Seri FD Iskandar (centre) and past president Datuk Ng Seing Liong (seven from right) with the recipients of GreenRE certifications.