

## Press Release For Immediate Distribution

## SCIB Secures Injunction Against Awana JV Suria Saga Over RM63.9 Million Financing Facility

Housing Project Under PPAM Scheme Now at Risk Due to Contractor's Financial Constraints

**KUCHING, 10 APRIL 2025** – Industrialised building systems specialist, **Sarawak Consolidated Industries Berhad** ("SCIB" or the "Company") wishes to announce that it has successfully obtained an interlocutory injunction order against Awana JV Suria Saga Sdn. Bhd. ("Awana") in relation to the ongoing material litigation involving its wholly-owned subsidiary, SCIB Properties Sdn. Bhd. ("SCIBP").

The Shah Alam High Court granted the interlocutory injunction earlier today, restraining Awana from further utilising the Islamic Financing Facility of RM63.9 million, which covers Existing Term Financing-I 1, Existing Term Financing-I 2, and Bridging Financing-I granted by MBSB Bank Berhad, pending the removal of SCIB as the corporate guarantor or the disposal of this suit, whichever occurs earlier.

With Awana now restrained from accessing the financing facility, questions remain as to how Awana will continue with the project. There are concerns as to how the interests of prospective home buyers can be protected especially those from the B40 category.



Mr. Ku Chong Hong, Managing Director of SCIB commented, "The injunction granted by the Court reflects the seriousness of the matter and SCIB's responsibility in protecting its financial and reputational interests. It is critical that Awana now steps up with a clear and viable solution to move the project forward in the best interest of the public."

To recap, SCIB had previously entered into a Settlement cum Appointment of Contractor Agreement ("SA 2024") with Awana for the execution of an affordable housing project valued at RM162 million under the Program Perumahan Penjawat Awam ("PPAM")

scheme. However, Awana failed to fulfil the necessary conditions under the agreement and subsequently performed unauthorised drawdowns amounting to RM1.65 million from the financing facility without SCIB's consent.

In response, SCIBP initiated legal action on 5 February 2025 against Awana and MBSB Bank Berhad ("MBSB"), seeking to remove SCIB as the corporate guarantor and to prevent further drawdowns. This culminated in the Court's decision on 10 April 2025 to grant the interlocutory injunction. This legal milestone not only affirms SCIB's position but also raises continued concern about Awana's ability to deliver the project, which is intended to serve civil servant home buyers under the government's affordable housing agenda.

The High Court has fixed 16 May 2025 for the next case management date. SCIB will continue to monitor developments closely and provide timely updates to all stakeholders as appropriate. The Company is represented by Mr. Eric Tan of Messrs. Ong Kok Bin & Co.

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## **ABOUT SARAWAK CONSOLIDATED INDUSTRIES BERHAD**

Sarawak Consolidated Industries Berhad ("SCIB") was founded in 1975 and has evolved from a small enterprise into a reputable Group of companies listed on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad. Currently, SCIB is operating three factories in Kuching, Sarawak, one factory in the Pending Industrial Estate and two factories in the Demak Laut industrial park.

SCIB is well known for professional management and has long history of innovative ideas and technological advances. Coupled with its wealth of experience and research acquired in more than three decades, SCIB offers its clients in-depth expertise through a combination of technology, efficiency and speed.

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