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River of Life project set to be completed by 2020

THE River of Life (RoL) project, aimed at transforming the Klang and Gombak rivers into vibrant waterfronts, is now 67% complete and expected to be finished in 2020, the Dewan Rakyat heard.



Federal Territories Minister Datuk Seri Tengku Adnan Tengku Mansor (*pic*) said the first phase of the river beautification project, covering the stretch around the Masjid Jamek-Daya Bumi area, was almost 94% complete.

"It (the first phase) is expected to be completed in stages starting April 15," he said in reply to Datuk Dr Tan Kee Kwong (PKR-Wangsa Maju), who asked the Government the status of the project during question time.

Tengku Adnan said phase one of the beautification project involved seven precincts covering the areas around Masjid Jamek until Daya Bumi.

"The ministry remains committed to ensuring that the project will be implemented within the time-frame set by the Government.

"It includes impromptu monitoring and to ensure that the finances remain under the ceiling cost," he said.

Tengku Adnan said the Government had set a key performance indicator (KPI) for the implementation agencies to adhere to.

There are three major components to the RM4.4bil RoL project – river cleaning, river master planning and beautification, and river development.

Of the total RM4.4bil, RM3.4bil is for cleaning up the river, and RM1bil is for landscaping.

The RoL project was launched in 2012 and headed by the Government in collaboration with the private sector.