Plans for Singapore's Second CBD Unveiled: Jurong Lake District

The Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA) is calling for public feedback on master plan proposals to transform the Jurong Lake District (JLD) into Singapore's second Central Business District (CBD).

Mr Lawrence Wong, Minister for National Development and Second Minister for Finance, launched the exhibition showcasing the master plan proposals for JLD at the URA Centre on 25 August this year.



Minister Lawrence Wong speaking at the exhibition launch showcasing the masterplan proposals for JLD.

The 2008 Master Plan unveiled the blueprint for JLD to become a new growth area containing two precincts: a commercial hub at Jurong Gateway, and a leisure and recreational area at Lakeside.

With over a million residents living in the west, JLD is well placed to grow into its full potential as the largest regional centre outside the CBD.

The government's decision to locate the Singapore-Kuala Lumpur High-Speed Rail terminus at Jurong East is also a game changer. It effectively makes JLD a new gateway to the region, facilitating easier cross-border business and travel between Kuala Lumpur and Singapore.

URA envisions JLD as a lively and vibrant mixed-use business district, with its own live-in population and an attractive street life for both locals and visitors.

Together with the 90-hectare Jurong Lake Gardens, JLD will contain over 100ha of extensive greenery and open spaces. These spaces will extend into the surrounding neighbourhoods.

Public transport will serve the district and seamlessly connect it to the rest of Singapore. Beyond the existing North-South and East-West MRT lines, JLD will also be served by the new Jurong Region Line and the Cross Island Line. Roads will be prioritised for public transport, with more space for pedestrians, cyclists, and active mobility users. The aim is for more than 80% of all trips to and from the district to be made by public transport.



Seamless, multi-level connections provide easy transfers for commuters between new developments and transport nodes. (Credits: KCAP/SAA/Arup/S333(/Lekker)

Sustainable district-level infrastructure will also be implemented in JLD to reduce energy usage, save manpower, and create a better quality living environment.

Feedback on JLD master plan proposals

URA has held grassroots engagement sessions on the JLD master plan proposals, and will also hold townhall sessions with residents and focus group discussions with businesses and professional bodies to seek their feedback. The plans can be found online at www.jld.sg.