



Three weeks ago, the media announced that the [deal was sealed](#) . The famed Tanjung Pagar Train Station in Singapore and the serpentine railway land leading to it will be developed.

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takes a nostalgic rail journey

THE days are numbered for the Tanjong Pagar Railway Station in Singapore, the southern-most tip of Malaysia's railway network. The two countries have agreed to shut it down on 1st July 2011, freeing up valuable real estate. I decide to take a ride on the historic line to downtown Singapore and back.

KTM has six services to Singapore from 5.45am to 8.30pm. The 2.30pm train arrives more than an hour late. None of the dozen or so passengers at the station seem surprised. They don't seem to be in a hurry either. We get our passports checked and pull out, rumbling across the causeway.

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The train arrived at the line – greenery on either side. Everything is kept in order – even



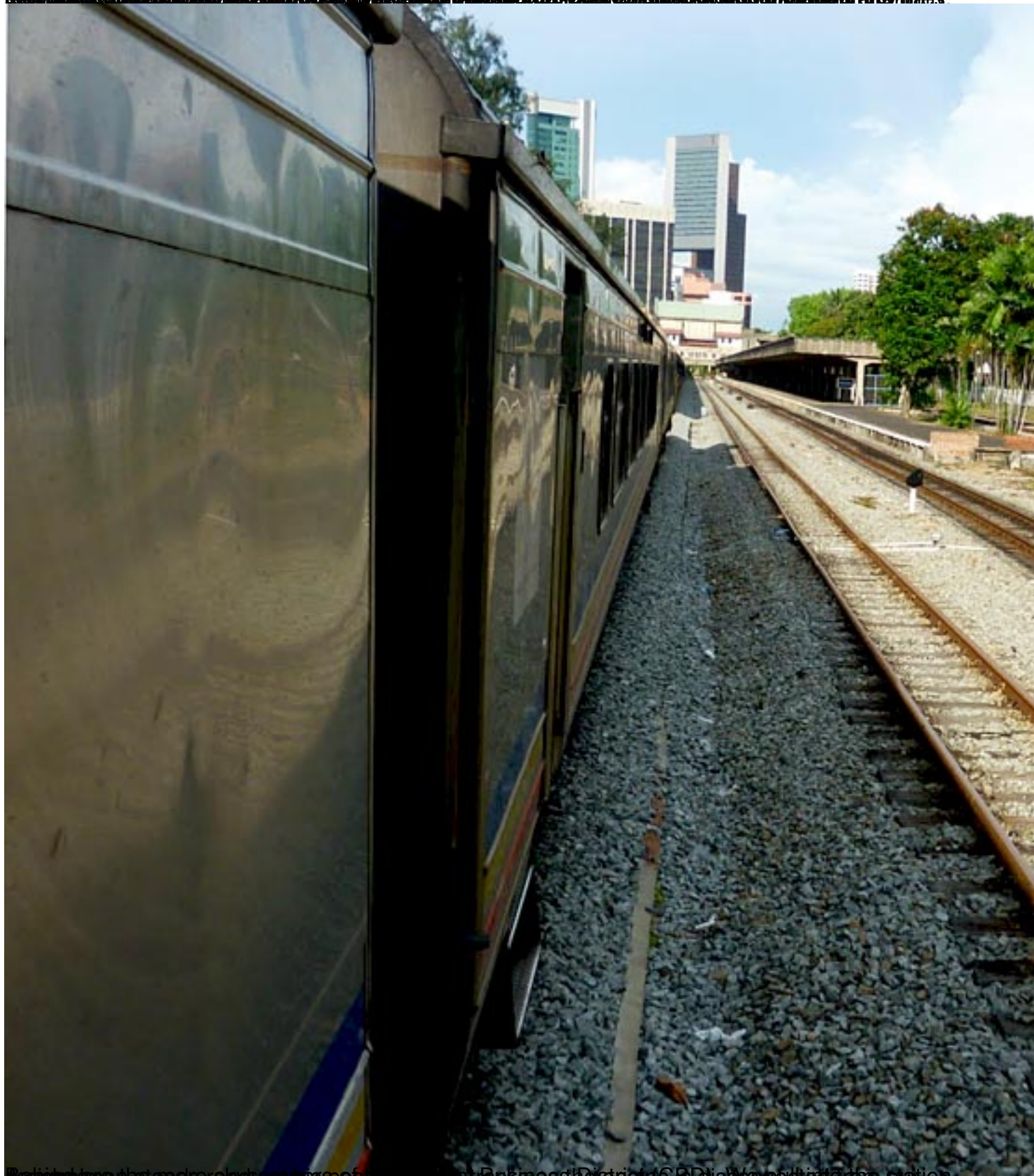
We approach Bukit Timah Railway Station on a road bus 15, it is a throwback to old times,



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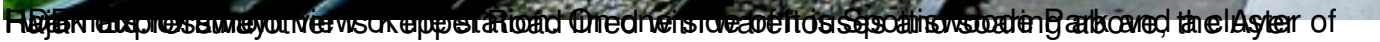
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the train's reflection in the glass. The station window reflects the train's reflection in the glass.



Background stands as a key landscape of the Central Business District (CBD) is depicted in the station

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This station was built in 1932. Its facade bears the crested initials of the Federated Malay States Railway, the original operator.



British Malaya's economic pillars, representing Agriculture, Industry, Commerce and Transport,





But they are not the only ones who are not working. And the CB as the



The M. Hasan Railway Station Canteen, before the station closes to take the train to the new station.



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Familiar passing which by the approach of Bekit Tj, and B. flats, level crossings. We slow down for



The station master is putting a bamboo frame holding the token on to a pole. The station master



Wasaplan service will be in Singapore, but traffic in Singapore is becoming sparser and cars are now out.

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repairs and a new signal and cabling system. The new structure has been built on the old site of the tracks and the old building has been demolished.



But for the new, the trials of Singapore station and take the line to work each day in Johor Baru