

Cagamas concludes RM1.8b debt notes

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KUALA LUMPUR: Cagamas Bhd has concluded the issuance of two debt notes totalling RM1.805 billion to fund the purchase of Islamic financing.

"Both the RM1.5 billion Islamic medium term notes (IMTN) and three-month Islamic commercial papers of RM305 million were successfully concluded at competitive pricing," said Cagamas president and chief executive officer Datuk Chung Chée Leong in a statement yesterday. This brings Cagamas' total issuance

year to date to RM6.34 billion.

"The IMTN, which was concluded via a public offering, received a commendable subscription rate, which further enabled the company to tighten its pricing by five basis points from the high of the initial price guidance of 4.55% to 4.5%," added Chung. He said the competitive final funding rate, which represented 55 basis points above the corresponding five-year Malaysian government investment issue, also contributed to the company's ability in upsizing the IMTN issuance from an initial RM1 billion to RM1.5 billion.