SINGLE MONTH

RM4b in bonds, sukuk issued by Cagamas

KUALA LUMPUR: Cagamas Bhd has announced its aggregate issuances of RM4 billion worth of bonds and sukuk in a single month.

The national mortgage corporation said the issuances comprised three-month RM345 million Islamic Commercial Papers, RM400 million three-month Commercial Papers, RM100 million multi-tenured Asean Sustainability Bonds and RM380 million multi-tenured conventional Medium-Term Notes.

They also included RML6 billion multi-tenured Islamic Medium-Term Notes, as well as US\$268 million one- and two-year Fixed Rate Euro Medium-Term Notes through its wholly owned subsidiary, Cagamas Global PLC.

"Proceeds from these issuances will be used to fund the purchase of eligible sustainability assets, housing loans and Islamic home financing from the financial system.

"We are pleased with the successful conclusion of the company's issuances from the domestic and international markets, despite the global headline risks on inflation and the growing expectation of rate hike in the coming months," said Cagamas president and chief executive officer Datuk Chung Chee Leong in a statement. He said the US dollar issuances also marked the company's second foreign currency pricing exercise for the year, and brought the total foreign currency issued year-to-date to an equivalent of RM1.9 billion, or 11 per cent of all issuances concluded by Cagamas year-to-date.

The transactions have brought the year-to-date issuance to RM17.2 billion — the highest since 2008, he added. **Bernama**

