For reviewers and journalists

Test LAPAN Nav on 8 Real Situations

Don't take our word for it. Here are eight things Malaysian drivers really run into, with the steps to try each one, what to look for, and a QR code that opens the app on a sample route. Scan it with the phone you're testing on.

Before You Start

- Open app.lapan-nav.com on the phone and add it to the home screen. It's free, with no sign-up and nothing to download.
- Allow location when the app asks. It only asks after you tap.
- For the driving tests, let a passenger hold the phone, or set everything up before you move: typing is locked while the car is moving.
- Situation 3 needs two phones, ideally in two cars.
- A QR code only opens a route preview. The drive starts when you tap Go.

1 The Natural Voice in Tamil, 中文 and BM

Every direction is spoken in Bahasa Melayu, English, 中文 or தமிழ், in a natural voice. LAPAN Nav writes the turn words itself, to sound the way Malaysians talk.

Try It

1. Scan the Tamil code. The route to Batu Caves opens in Tamil for this visit only; your own language setting stays as it was.
2. Tap Go and listen to the opening line and the first turn.
3. End the drive, then try the 中文 and BM codes. To keep a language, change it in Settings, then Language & units.

What to Look For

- The instruction comes first, word for word. The warm lines come only at the start, on long straights and when you arrive, never at a tricky junction.
- Road names said the Malaysian way: “Jalan”, not “Jln”, and exit numbers digit by digit.
- 中文 says 你, and the Tamil sounds like Malaysian Tamil, not a textbook.

> Can't drive today? The voice samples are on the press kit.

தமிழ்

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中文

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BM

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2 A Motorcycle Route

Motorcycle routes come from LAPAN Nav's own route planner, built on OpenStreetMap roads, with Malaysian rules such as no motorcycles in the SMART Tunnel.

Try It

1. Scan the code. The route to Mid Valley Megamall opens.
2. In the route preview, tap Motorcycle. The route is planned again straight away.
3. Compare it with the car route, and look at the toll line.

Scan to open this route
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What to Look For

- No way through roads closed to motorcycles, such as the SMART Tunnel.
- Motorcycle toll rates, or “No toll for motorcycles”. At a plaza where bikes ride free, the voice tells you to keep to the motorcycle lane.
- The position icon turns into a motorbike.

> Still missing: motorcycle routes don't use live traffic yet.

3 Report a Flood or Police, and See It on Another Phone

Drivers look out for each other. A report reaches the drivers coming up behind you on the same road.

Try It

1. Phone A, on the road: tap Report, then Flood or Police. One tap is enough. Or hold the talk button and say it, for example “polis kat depan, lane kiri”.
2. Phone B: drive the same road behind phone A, with a route or without one.
3. Watch and listen to phone B as it comes up to the spot.

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What to Look For

- Phone B is warned before the spot, on screen and by voice, with the distance.
- Once phone B has stopped, it is asked whether the report is still there.
- Phone B sees the report, never who sent it.

> Reports go out to every LAPAN Nav driver, so please report only what is really on the road.

4 The Toll Fare for Your Route

Every car route shows its toll in RM, from the official rate tables (LLM or the highway operator), plaza by plaza.

Try It

1. Scan the code. The route to KLIA Terminal 1 opens, with the toll for each route.
2. Tap the toll amount to see every plaza and its fare.
3. Tap Motorcycle for the motorcycle rates, or Avoid tolls for a route without them.

Scan to open this route

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What to Look For

- The total beside each route, in RM.
- “≈” or “At least” when a plaza has no official rate in our table: we never guess a fare.
- After the drive, check it against your Touch 'n Go history.

5 A Tunnel or a Stretch with No Signal

The signal drops on Karak, in tunnels and in the kampung. LAPAN Nav keeps the route you're on.

Try It

1. Scan the code. The route to Bentong opens, usually over the Karak Highway and through the Genting Sempah tunnel.
2. Tap Go while you still have signal. The voice for at least the next 10 km is already on the phone.
3. Drive through the tunnel. Or, as a passenger, switch on Airplane mode for a minute (on most phones the GPS still works).
4. While there's no signal, make a report.

Scan to open this route

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What to Look For

- The route stays and the voice keeps talking from what's on the phone; if a clip is missing, the phone's own voice says it.
- Inside a tunnel the GPS is gone too, so the car doesn't run far ahead on a guess. Straight after, the guidance picks up where you really are.
- The report says “Saved on your phone” and goes out when the signal is back.

> Still missing: there is no offline map download yet, so a drive can't be planned with no signal at all.

6 Remember Where You Parked, Then Walk Back

In a big mall every car park level looks the same. LAPAN Nav remembers where the car really stopped.

Try It

1. Scan the code and drive to Sunway Pyramid.
2. Park and walk away. The Your car card shows the spot: tap the level (B3 to L5), or take a photo of the pillar.
3. Later, on the home screen, tap Walk back to your car.

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What to Look For

- The spot is where the car stopped, not the mall's pin.
- Walking directions back to the car, with your photo on the way.
- The photo stays on your phone. It is never uploaded.

7 A Speed Camera Warning (AWAS)

LAPAN Nav warns before 78 known speed and red-light cameras mapped in OpenStreetMap, 20 of them matched to sites on JPJ's published AWAS list, and before the cameras drivers report.

Try It

1. Scan the code. The route to Seremban opens; pick the route via PLUS.
2. Drive south on PLUS past Nilai. There is an AWAS camera at Mantin.
3. Listen as you come up to it.

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What to Look For

- One warning per camera, with its distance and, where it's known, the limit: “Speed camera in 500 metres. The limit is 110.”
- The speed limit on screen, with a chime if you go over it.
- A camera that isn't in the app yet: report it with Report, then Speed camera.

> Still missing: JPJ's list has no coordinates, so 9 of its 29 sites aren't in the app yet, and average-speed zones are only the ones drivers report.

8 Find a Kopitiam or a Mamak by the Name People Use

We say “Yut Kee” or “Pelita”, not the full name on the signboard. LAPAN Nav has its own search and its own place index, built from open data.

Try It

1. Scan the code. It searches for “yut kee”, the kopitiam on Jalan Kamunting in KL.
2. Then type “pelita ampang” for Nasi Kandar Pelita at Ampang Point.
3. Try a place near you, the way you'd say it to a friend.

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What to Look For

- The right place first, with its area, so two outlets of the same name are easy to tell apart.
- A place that's missing or wrong can be fixed from the app; drivers' fixes go back into the index.
- Still missing: some places and house numbers, and Chinese names: 益记 doesn't find Yut Kee yet.

Compare It with Anything

Put LAPAN Nav side by side with any navigation app you choose, on the same roads, and write what you find. We'd rather hear what doesn't work, so we can fix it.

Questions, a demo call or the latest numbers: ask@lapan-nav.com. Screenshots, videos and voice samples: the press kit. Live totals: stats.