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Funding through both internally generated funds and market

by TANU PANDEY

Nasional Bhd (Petronas), has allocated about RM1 billion for this year's capital expenditure (capex), an increase RM300 million from the year before. It is part of the RM8.1 billion capex target for a five-year period starting December 2012.

This year's capex will mainly comprise plant rejuvenation and revamp projects in Terengganu and part of the funds will go into the

PETRONAS Gas Bhd (PetGas), the regassification terminal (RGT) fied natural gas (LNG) RGT in Sunaccording to its officials.

Asked about the funding of the investment commitments announced by the company, PetGas chairman

AGM in Kuala Lumpur yesterday: "It internally generated funds and we will also go to the market."

The major investment made by the

gas distribution arm of Petroliam project in Lahad Datu, Sabah, gai Udang, Malacca, that became operational this year after a delay of over six months.

Anuar said the Malacca LNG RGT is expected to contribute 4%-5% to the entity's bottom line for Datuk Anuar Ahmad said after its the current financial year ending Dec 31, 2013. On an annual basis, will be done through combination of the company expects a 10% profit contribution from the gas terminal from next year.

Asked if the company had received company last year was for the lique- interests for the open access gas SEE P4 COLT



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transmission via the third party access system, Anuar said: "There are people who are interested to import gas. As you know currently the full capacity of the terminal (RGT) is underwritten by Petronas but we are open to people who are seriously wanting...though there is nothing yet."

The gas distribution arm also diversified to generation of electricity with the formation of Kimanis Power Sdn Bhd, a joint-venture company with Yayasan Sabah.

The company will be able to produce full 300MW, the capacity of the facility by the sec-

ond-quarter (2Q) next year, he said.

For the 1Q ended March 31, the company's profit rose 8% year-on-year (YoY) to RM360.4 million, which was mainly

contributed by the decrease in depreciation expenses as a result of a review of property, undertaken last year.

Last year, its net profit rose to RM1.39 billion, mainly enhanced by gains from selling its equity stake in its associate company Gas Malaysia Bhd.

The shares closed yesterday at its 52-week high of RM21.90.



Anuar says the Malacca LNG RGT is likely to contribute 4%-5% to the entity's bottom line