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THE MICROLIGHT FLYING PARK OF TANJUNG RHU

LANGKAWI, June 2 (Bernama) -- Tanjung Rhu may soon be turned into a "flying park" as it has been found to be suitable for microlight aircraft flying, said Langkawi Air Recreation Club (LARC) deputy president Mansor Ismail.

He said the area with its gentle slopes and its distance from the Langkawi main air traffic was most suitable for light aircraft activity.

A runway measuring 330 metres complete with an aircraft hangar would be constructed in the area.

"We hope to begin constructing the park soon," he told reporters after the club's launching by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad here.

Mansor said currently all flying activities involving the club's microlight aircraft were conducted around the Langkawi International Airport in Padang Matsirat.

Soon, he said the airport would be too congested and risky for LARC's flying activities.

Meanwhile, State Tourism and Entrepreneur committee chairman Datuk Syed Razak Syed Zain suggested that the club organised an air show involving microlights as a prelude to the Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace (Lima) exhibition.

The state government would give full support if the club accepted the suggestion, he added. -- BERNAMA

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