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Dr M tours Johor's No 2 port site

GELANG PATAH, Sat. - Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today toured the site of Johor's second port, which is now under construction at Tanjung Pelepas.

The port is being developed by Pelabuhan Tanjung Pelepas Sdn Bhd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Seaport Terminal (Johor) Sdn Bhd.

Dr Mahathir was briefed on the development of the port by Pelabuhan Tanjung Pelepas executive vice-chairman Datuk Mohd Taufik Abdullah.

Strategically located at the confluence of major shipping routes, Tanjung Pelepas is poised to become a world class container port.

The port will be developed in five phases in accordance with its master plan. Upon completion, it is envisaged to be a multi-purpose port with facilities for containers, dry bulk and liquid bulk cargo.

It will be equipped with a range of comprehensive state-of-the-art port facilities. It will have six container berths, each measuring 360m in length, giving a total of 2.16km of linear quayside.

The container yard will be equipped with 24 quayside gantry cranes, 79 rubber tyred gantry cranes, together with 110 tractor heads and 286 trailers to facilitate the moving of containers within the port, as well as for container freight station operations.

The port will be linked on-line with all relevant agencies and other port users to ensure fast, reliable and efficient service.

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