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DR MAHATHIR HOPES MORE FOREIGN TOURISTS WILL VISIT MALAYSIA

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PULAU PANGKOR LAUT, Nov 21 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today opened the luxury Marina Bay Pangkor Laut resort here expressing the hope that more foreign tourists will come to Malaysia to savour its natural beauty.

The resort, developed by YTL Corporation Berhad, is located at a bay of the same name on the northern part of the 121-hectare island.

The resort comprises nine individual hotels called estates nestled among the island's rainforests complete with freeform pools and exotic tropical gardens.

The Prime Minister is on a two-day visit to Perak. He arrived in Ipoh this morning.

Dr Mahathir was confident that the natural beauty of the island would attract more visitors.

"We need to see more foreign tourists coming to Malaysia," he said.

He said tourists should not be burdened with high prices while staying in Malaysia.

"We don't want to squeeze them, but if they allow themselves to be squeezed, that is their own business," he quipped.

The daily rates at the resort range from RM5,700 to RM9,500 and guests will experience superior luxury living blended with an environment of pristine natural beauty.

The Prime Minister said he was given to understand that the resort had already received a number of bookings.

He was certain that YTL would ensure that the resort was the best in the whole country.

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