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PM opens renovated terminal building today

SENAI, Sat. - After 18 months of extensive renovation and expansion work costing RM97 million, the terminal building of Sultan Ismail Airport has taken a new look.

The upgraded building will be officially opened by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad tomorrow.

The airport will be able to handle 1.2 million passengers this year, and three million passengers by the year 2005.

There are now two arrival and two departure halls, a MAS golden lounge and three VIP rooms. Previously, there was only an arrival hall, a departure hall and a VIP room.

A new feature of the airport is the installation of four aero-bridges for passenger comfort and convenience during boarding and disembarkation.

Other new features include a new flight information display system replacing the television display terminals, and a duty free shop at the international arrival hall.

At the departure hall there are a bank, a bookshop, a candy shop, a general merchandise store, a perfume and cosmetics shop, a chocolate and confectionery shop, and a liquor and cigarette shop.

The airport apron is big enough to handle five Boeing 737s at any one time compared with only two previously.

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