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Dr M opens Putrajaya Shangri-la

PUTRAJAYA, Tues. - Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad tonight officially opened the Putrajaya Shangri-la here, located on a hilltop overlooking the heart of the new Federal Government administrative centre.

Dr Mahathir was accompanied to the function by his wife, Datuk Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali.

Perbadanan Putrajaya president Tan Sri Azizan Zainul Abidin said the hotel filled an important gap in the facilities expected of a dynamic city.

"Today, with the opening of this hotel, Putrajaya has acquired a new image and a more conducive environment has been created for the development of the city," he said.

Culture, Arts and Tourism Minister Datuk Paduka Abdul Kadir Sheikh Fadzir, Senate president Tan Sri Michael Chen and Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Tengku Adnan Tengku Mansor were present.

Putrajaya Shangri-La was designed by Zaini Dubuz Richez, and is owned by PJ Hotels and Resorts Sdn Bhd.

The seventh Shangri-La hotel in the country, it has 118 guest rooms with views overlooking parklands, lakes and bridges. Each room has its own distinct nature theme. The hotel also has three restaurants, a spa, business centre, health club, and meeting and convention facilities.