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Dr Mahathir to launch Tioman Airport project

KUANTAN, Mon. - Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will officiate at the ground-breaking ceremony for the new Tioman Airport via video conferencing from Putrajaya on Wednesday.

Along with Transport Minister Datuk Seri Chan Kong Choy and Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Adnan Yaakob, Dr Mahathir will participate in the ceremony by delivering his speech before launching the ceremony.

A statement released by the State Government today said Dr Mahathir would deliver a 25-minute speech to launch the project. Once completed within two years, the new airport located in Kampung Paya will complement the island's newly-declared duty-free status.

Unlike the Kampung Tekek airport, the new airport will be able to accommodate Boeing 737 aircraft.