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PM inspects Langkawi's tourism, development projects

LANGKAWI, Fri. - Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today inspected tourist and development projects on this island after arriving for an overnight working visit.

Accompanied by Datuk Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali, he visited the RM40 million Harbour Park Langkawi project in Pantai Kok which boasts a marina, hotel and apartments.

Dr Mahathir also boarded the schooner Sean Paquito II which is owned by four Dutch holidaymakers.

He then visited the Pantai Kok land reclamation project where he boarded a small boat from a portable "minijetty", which allows a person to board a vessel from the water's edge without getting wet.

They also visited the Kuala Melaka River Park, one of the latest tourism developments in Langkawi. The park is a recreational area along the banks of the Melaka river near the Langkawi Lagoon resort.

It has a 5km jogging and cycling track, shops and a concert stage in a picturesque setting near padi fields and a traditional fishermen's jetty.

Dr Mahathir will launch the five-star Langkawi Lagoon resort tomorrow.

A five-minute drive away from the airport, Phase One of the resort costs RM100 million and comprises 96 hotel suites, 78 sea villas and four sea bungalows.