

## **BN Manifesto For Penang Sets Out New Growth Areas**

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GEORGE TOWN, April 18 (Bernama) -- The Barisan Nasional (BN) manifesto for Penang is tailored to accelerate its economic growth to bring prosperity to the people, the state BN chairman Teng Chang Yeow.

It covers all aspects, with emphasis on a new engine of growth that will stimulate the economy, apart from the manufacturing sector, he told reporters after launching the manifesto here Thursday night.

The manifesto themed 'Pulau Pinang Yang Unggul' (Distinguished Penang) outlines 19 core thrusts and 26 pledges.

Teng said Penang's economy could no longer rely on only the manufacturing sector, but required a new engine of growth in order to avoid recession.

"We have identified new growth areas in tourism and services to take advantage of the state's strategic position in the golden triangle encompassing southern Thailand and northern Sumatra.

"A responsible government should outline its economic development policy rather than planning on an ad-hoc basis," he added.

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