

# INSPIRING PUTRAJAYA

World's First Intelligent Garden City

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## **A visual feast of a modern city of the 21<sup>st</sup> century**

The visual feast that Putrajaya presents today is the final outcome of an idea that germinated in the mind of a visionary and when combined with his sterling leadership the idea became the reality that we admire today. The greatest achievement of Putrajaya is that it showcases to the world the capability of Malaysians in managing mega projects.

Here sits the administrative capital of the Malaysian Government surrounded by well-designed parks, lakes and wetlands that comprise some 40 percent of the masterplan that includes both commercial and residential development.

Putrajaya is still being developed but the vista that it presents today is worth a thousand words. This publication prides itself in capturing the best of Putrajaya to give readers views they will not see anywhere else in the country or even, in the region. You will see the concept of Putrajaya as the pages unfold.

## Introduction

# Inspiring Putrajaya—World's First Intelligent Garden City

With the development of Putrajaya—the world's first intelligent garden city—Malaysia has written a new chapter in the annals of modern city planning. A vibrant centre of population, government, commerce and culture, Putrajaya has earned for itself accolades for using frontier technology to seamlessly bring futuristic structures incorporating traditional designs to co-exist harmoniously with nature. It is a blend of the old and the new, the functional and the aesthetic, the grandiose and the unpretentious.

Soaking up the atmosphere in Putrajaya is like taking a peek into the future.

And there is no mistaking the message: the future has arrived and this is how it looks.

*Inspiring Putrajaya: World's First Intelligent Garden City* is the concrete expression of a nation's cherished aspirations.

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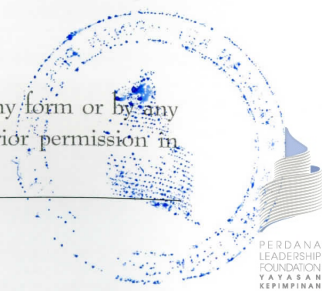
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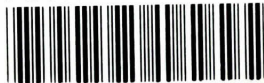
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## **A Delightful Tribute to Putrajaya**

Launched in 1999, the township of Putrajaya marked the entry of Malaysia into the 21st Century. Like a mega jigsaw puzzle it came together, piece by piece, unraveling a new Malaysia as visualized in Vision 2020. Besides being the new administrative capital of the nation, Putrajaya is also the backbone of the greater conurbation that includes the Kuala Lumpur International Airport, Petronas Twin Towers and Cyberjaya.

Putrajaya was a pleasant and rewarding experience because it gave me and the team that worked with me a beautiful and pristine environment from which to design and build a city from scratch. The fine balance of the three elements of sky, water and land gave Putrajaya that sense of openness and proximity to nature which, to me, is what a city of the future is all about.

This book is a delightful tribute to the beauty of Putrajaya and to its outstanding architectural and garden features. It also underscores the philosophy of its creation. This book also

includes Cyberjaya, a twin township that was developed on the same underlying principles as Putrajaya.

I would like to record my immense appreciation to the Limkokwing University of Creative Technology, and in particular, to Professor Emeritus Tan Sri Dato' Sri Dr Limkokwing, for undertaking this publication and for paying meticulous attention to the finer details that give Putrajaya its distinctive character and enduring beauty.



*Tun Dr. Mahathir bin Mohamad*  
*Former Prime Minister of Malaysia*

## **National Icons and Hallmarks of Innovation**

Bold and ambitious, the twin cities of Putrajaya and Cyberjaya serve as a shining beacon for Malaysia even as the country strives to be on a par with the rest of the creative and innovative world.

Clearly among the most beautiful on a global scale, they are iconic cities ahead of their time, highly distinctive due to their unique characteristics that fuse futuristic technology with elements that are steeped in tradition.

They are rightly part of the country's heritage that every Malaysian should be proud of – an embodiment of our aspirations and achievements – and we all say, thank you, Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad, for your farsightedness in conceiving these intelligent garden cities of timeless beauty; for bringing into our midst a lasting legacy that showcases our rich heritage and that allows us to stand proud on the world stage.

It's a reflection of the Malaysia Boleh spirit – and more; it is surely a source of inspiration for present and future generations.

With the premiership baton having been passed on to Dato' Seri Mohd Najib Tun Razak, Malaysians now get to witness how, from the seat of government in Putrajaya, the Prime Minister steadfastly continues the work of transforming Malaysia into a dynamic innovation economy. Putrajaya and Cyberjaya are critical components in the

branding of Malaysia as an innovation nation able to hold its own in the highly competitive global stage, and the Prime Minister has wasted no time in pushing such apt concepts as 1Malaysia.


*Inspiring Putrajaya: World's First Intelligent Garden City* fittingly pays tribute to these great men of vision – and to the brilliance of the twin cities.

Indeed all who behold the sights and sounds of Putrajaya and Cyberjaya will not fail to be awed by the wonder they present. The landscape and the infrastructure – from green open spaces to futuristic yet rustic structures – bear testimony to the amount of clever creative planning that must have gone into making the cities models of innovation.

Putrajaya and Cyberjaya have opened the eyes of all Malaysians to the possibilities that await when the power of creativity is harnessed. We hope the publication of this book will further enlighten everyone on these enduring symbols of national pride.



*Tan Sri Dato' Sri Dr Lim Kok Wing  
President, Limkokwing University of Creative Technology*



## A Grand Vision, A Showcase of Innovation

*"Putrajaya, I believe, has become a model for new capitals in many countries... Those who have seen Putrajaya consider it for their new capitals and have gone so far as to request the planners of the city to help them plan their new cities."*

*Tun Dr. Mahathir bin Mohamad, Former Prime Minister, Malaysia*

For years, it was a swampy stretch of land with a languid personality. Then the leadership announced that it would become the seat of the Federal Government in the new millennium, and history was set in motion.

*Inspiring Putrajaya: World's First Intelligent Garden City* is a stylish publication that is set to become a collector's item.

Putrajaya is one of the world's best planned cities; but it is its symbolism that is perhaps the most powerful result. The story of development is one of courage, innovation and imagination. For Malaysians, it is an inspiration about what can be achieved when world-class standards and values are applied in an endeavour.

Join us on this pictorial journey and discover the style and substance of this multi-dimensional city.

It will be, we trust, a fascinating one.