

Malacca's Jurassic Park to be a roaring success

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What to expect: Mohd Ali Rustam showing an artist's impression of the project.

MALACCA: The proposed Jurassic Park at the 1Malaysia beachfront here, touted to be the first of its kind in Asia, has Chief [Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Ali Rustam](#) excited. He has ordered relevant state authorities to work on the planning aspects of the project with immediate effect.

Mohd Ali, who was briefed on the theme park that will occupy part of the 132ha Klebang Seaworld project here, wants the tourists attraction for the state to be unveiled by the end of 2015.

“The Jurassic Park itself can be a catalyst for the local tourism industry and I hope my officers in charge of the project will expedite the technical and planning tasks to enable the park to be unveiled according to schedule,” he said after the briefing by [Edenzil Sdn Bhd](#) executive [chairman Tan Sri Abd Rahim Mohamad](#) at Seri Negeri yesterday.

The first phase of the project is expected to cost about RM200mil, with some 200 dinosaur models to be exhibited at the site.

He said the artificial dinosaurs would be operated through electronic and hydraulic systems.

Mohd Ali said the giant exhibits would roar when you walk past them while the theme park would combine education, thrills and state-of-the-art technology.

Apart from Jurassic Park, the ambitious tourism project will house an underwater aquarium where visitors can watch dolphins, sharks and other deep sea creatures up close.

Other exhibits at the aquarium would display marine life and freshwater species from around the world.

Mohd Ali said the entire project at the reclamation site would see RM300mil being pumped in and would be executed in several phases, including the construction of shopping malls and 2,000 units of low-cost flats worth RM42,000 per unit.

“Plans are also in the pipeline to construct an open-air dining site where meals will be priced at an unbelievable price of RM1 for food and drinks,” he said.

Mohd Ali said the site would be jointly developed by state-owned Yayasan Melaka and Edenzil.

Mohd Ali added that access roads to the site from Limbongan and the heart of the city would be upgraded in stages.

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