Abang Jo: No necessity for another LCCT here

KUCHING: There is no necessity for the government to build another Low Cost Carrier Terminal (LCCT) at the Kuching International Airport as the present terminal is adequate and functioning well, said Tourism Minister Datuk Amar Abang Haji j ohari Tun Opong.

"To me, building another terminal here is just a waste of money. Why not we just maximise usage on the present terminal?"

"The terminal is shared by various airlines and we still can expand the number of aircraft to land here."

"If the space is not enough, we can just extend but not to build another terminal," said Johari, adding that the most important thing is the connectivity.

Johari also said the terminal should be dynamic and to keep up with the changing times.

Johari was talking to the press at a cocktail reception organised by the Malaysian Centre for Tourism and Hospitality Education (Independent Management Team) at the Sarawak Tourism Complex here yesterday.

At the function, Johari pointed out that racial diversity and hospitality are the state's main brands to attract tourists, while urging the tourism players to be dynamic and to keep up with the changing times.

"Sarawak is in the midst of training more people for the tourism and hospitality industry, and the effort by UCSI University to implement work-based training is commendable," he said.

Johari also suggested that tourism courses in the state should include adventure and eco-tourism as the state is rich in natural environment and flora.

A Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) was signed yesterday between UCSI University and Pullman Hotel Kuching, and the Sarawak Cultural Village.

The main objectives of the MoA were to continue the synergy vital for the Independent Management Team to revamp the national tourism and hospitality landscape.

Among those present were UCSI Vice-Chancellor Dr Robert Bong and the President of the Malaysian Centre for Tourism and Hospitality Education, Professor Dr Wong Keng Yew.

Our children certainly deserve better.

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An online debate that started about three weeks ago, on whether Mat Indera was a freedom fighter or a traitor, has now protracted on to become a larger issue.

Professor Datuk Dr Zainal Kling, who represented the National Council of Professors, had issued a hilarious and farcical statement by claiming that Malay, except for the Straits Settlements of Malacca and Penang, was never a colony of Britain. All the federated and unfederated Malay states, he said, were...
said Johari, adding that the most important thing is the
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