

## New hotel opens in Pengerang

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**KOTA TINGGI:** Visitors can now opt to stay at the newly-opened Amansari Hotel Desaru, currently the tallest building in the Pengerang area.

Developed by SKS Group, the 14-storey hotel is strategically located at Taman Desaru Utama, the gateway to Desaru, Pengerang and Kota Tinggi.

The Group director Amir Shariffudin Abd Raub said that the three-star hotel would cater to both business and leisure travellers, in view of the numerous nearby holiday destinations as well as various developments taking place in the area.

Among the mega projects in Pengerang include the Desaru Coast, the Pengerang Integrated Petroleum Complex (PIPC) and the Refinery and Petrochemical Integrated Development (Rapid).

"The opening of Amansari Hotel Desaru will reinforce the Group's portfolio in hospitality, and significantly accentuate Desaru's position as a holiday hotspot in the region.

"We expect the hotel to be well-received, as we have already received numerous enquiries prior to the official opening due to its strategic location and affordable room price," he said during the launching of the hotel here.

Amir added that the Amansari Hotel Desaru features 238 spacious and comfortable air-conditioning rooms, comprising superior, deluxe, super deluxe and family suites.

"We will soon be opening a lounge on the first floor, which will be perfect for gathering and evening drinks," he said, adding that a well-equipped gymnasium is also accessi-



Azalina (third from right), Kota Tinggi district officer Mohd Noorazam Osman (second from left) and Amir (second from right) along with other officials at the launch.

ble to guests.

Other on-site amenities include a cosy coffeehouse on the ground floor and a multi-purpose hall that can accommodate up to 250 guests for business conference, meeting or private function.

"Apart from that, hotel guests can also opt to enjoy more recreational facilities such as swimming pool, sauna and tennis or futsal courts at the Desaru Utama Clubhouse at special rates," he said.

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Azalina Othman, who officially launched the hotel, said that the RM14mil hotel would further strengthen Desaru as a tourist destination.

"Pengerang is also an education hub and with room price from as low as RM168 per night, the management can also look forward to receiving bookings from parents of students studying here besides leisure and business travellers," she added.