

Executive Jets to spend RM40m on hangar

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Air charter provider, Executive Jets Asia (EJA), will invest RM40 million to construct hangar facilities at the Senai Airport Aviation Park to cater for business jets ranging from the Airbus A320 to B737.

Chief Executive Officer Prithpal Singh said the Senai Airport was an excellent location for the 7,400 square meter hangar which was expected to be completed in three years.

The first phase, to be built on an 0.025 hectare site, will comprise the hangar cum office and lounge, offices and spares storage, scheduled for completion in the first quarter of next year, he said.

"We are very excited about this project. We hope to generate enough interest and promote Senai Airport as an excellent location for business aviation.

"We are greatly encouraged by numerous enquiries from aircraft owners and operators expressing their interest in wanting to use our facilities," he told reporters after the ground breaking ceremony for the hangar here today.

He also said EJA hoped to lease a 0.025 hectare piece of land, adjacent to the present site, for phase two of the hangar project.

Based in Seletar airport in Singapore, the company has been in the air charter business for seven years.

Moving out from Seletar to Senai Airport would allow EJA to have more space and facilities to maintain its own aircraft and enable it to expand into maintenance and repair, aircraft repainting and interior refurbishing.

Prithpal also said EJA could create career opportunities for fresh aeronautical graduates and many qualified Malaysian engineers who were currently working overseas. – Bernama

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