

# Sandakan Harbour Square gets anchor tenant

**THE** Sandakan Harbour Square — which consists of Sandakan Harbour Mall and Four Points by Sheraton Hotel — with a gross development value of about RM510 million, has taken on Parkwell Departmental Store and Supermarket as the mall's anchor tenant.

The supermarket decided to take up 48,000 sq ft of retail space as it is confident that Sandakan Harbour Mall will meet the retail needs of the locals and tourists in Sandakan, said Lai Kock Poh, managing director at Evergreen (1979) Trading Sdn Bhd — which owns Parkwell.

The square project is developed by ICSD Ventures Sdn Bhd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of London-listed Aseana Properties Ltd together with Sandakan Municipal Council (MPS) as its joint venture partner. It is managed by Ireka Development Management Sdn Bhd, a subsidiary of Ireka Corp Bhd.

The five-level Harbour Mall will be its first shopping mall situated in the heart of Sandakan town, offering 200,000 sq ft of prime spaces for retailers, according to a statement released by Ireka yesterday.

Above the five-level Harbour Mall, reaching 26 storeys, sits the 300-room Four Points by Sheraton Hotel tower — which will also be Sandakan's first internationally branded business hotel, it said.

The project movers yesterday held a topping up ceremony for the mall and the hotel. It was attended by MPS president Datuk James Wong, Ireka

Development Management president cum chief executive officer Lai Voon Hon, Starwood Asia Pacific Hotels & Resorts regional vice president for Southeast Asia Chuck Abbott and CB Richard Ellis (Malaysia) managing director Allan Soo.



(from left) Soo, Sabah Tourism Board director Datuk John Lim, Abbott, Wong and Lai at the topping up ceremony in Sandakan