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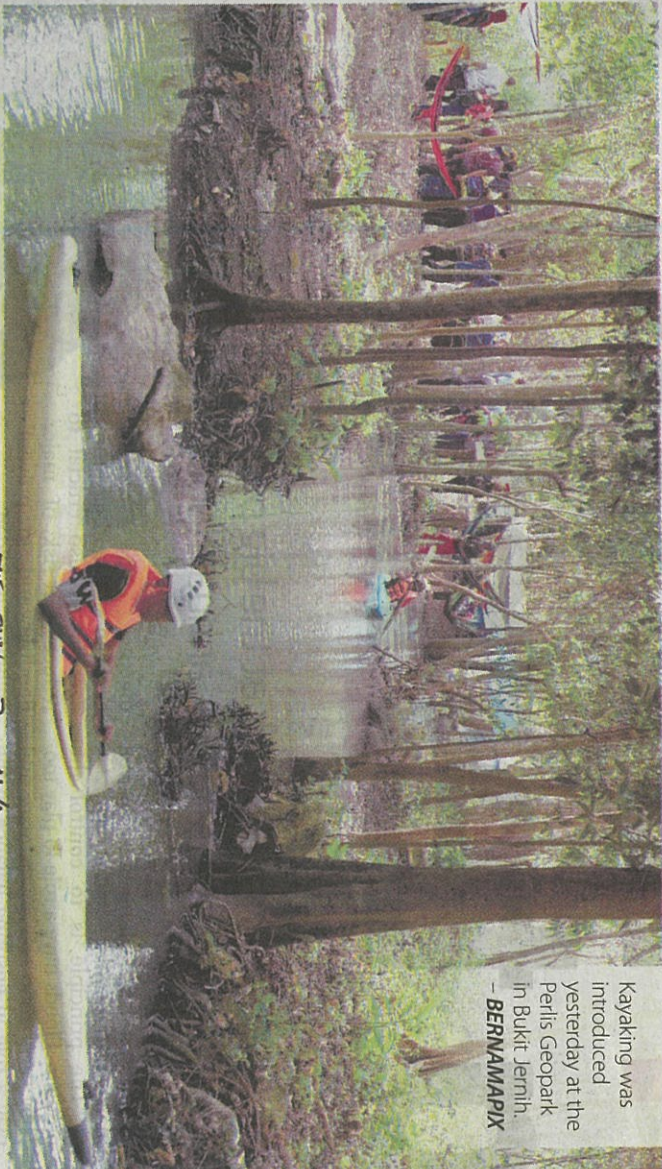
Geopark development won't hamper other projects

PADANG BESAR: The development of the geopark site near here will not hinder other aspects of development, said Energy and Natural Resources Minister Datuk Dr Shamsul Anuar Nasarah.

He said the development would be in line with efforts to preserve the area's geological heritage for future generations.

"This is an effort to preserve the existing heritage (nature), while providing many benefits to communities such as business opportunities, development of tourism and so on," he told reporters after a working visit to the Perlis Geopark in Bukit Jernih yesterday.

Shamsul Anuar, who is also the Lenggong MP, said the ministry and the state government are working to accelerate the development of the



Kayaking was introduced yesterday at the Perlis Geopark in Bukit Jernih. - BERNAM/APPX

Perlis Geopark as a national geopark. "Each geopark in the country has its own uniqueness and value. In Perlis, there are high-value rocks that were formed between 400 and 500

million years ago. It also has educational value as it offers opportunities for geological studies." Shamsul Anuar said there are 18 geopark sites in Perlis, six of which

have already been developed. "To develop the remaining 12 geopark sites, the ministry has allocated between RM300,000 and RM600,000" - Bernama

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