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Malaysian govt allocates RM 365m to build first endocrine complex

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In a bid to cater to the growing number of endocrine patients in Malayisa, the Malaysian government has allocated RM365 million to build an Endocrine Hospital Complex. The project is expected to be ready by 2020 and will be the country's first endocrine complex project. The center will provide medical and surgical services and serve as a research centre, training centre and research centre for endocrine patients nationwide.

In a recent launching event, Health Minister Datuk Seri Dr S.Subramaniam, said, “The 10-storey building will be equipped with 220 patient beds, specialist clinics, basic surgical training rooms, simulation rooms, physical rehabilitation fitness centre, hydrotherapy pool, sleeping laboratory and become an institute for training and producing more endocrinologists in the medical and surgical fields. Many people suffer from endocrine diseases, with 3.5 million adults between aged 18 and 40 in Malaysia suffering from diabetes, of which eight percent do not know they have diabetes.”

"The second most frequent disease is thyroid, one to two percent among adults with endocrine diseases as well as other illnesses," he added.

Endocrine disorders are one of the top killer diseases in Malaysia. Endocrine diseases occur when the gland produces too much or too little endocrine hormones, causing hormonal imbalance and affecting the metabolic function of the body.