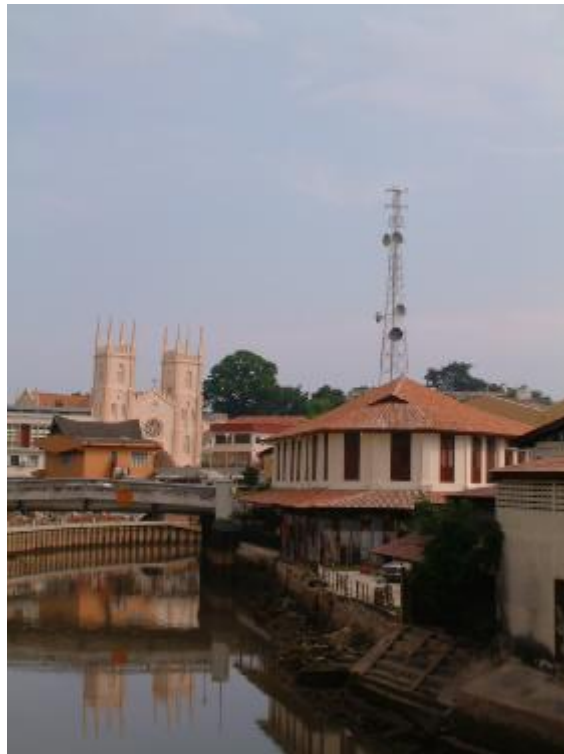


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## **To build or Not to build**

Recently, the Malacca State Government proposed the building of a new Tower in Melaka. The RM 15 million tower is being developed by a Singaporean firm which built a similar tower at Singapore's Sentosa Island. The developer expects 500,000 visitors a year to visit this tower when completed.



**Existing transmission tower in historical Melaka (2004)**

Three sites were proposed for the building of the Melaka Tower. Two sites are within Melaka's heritage area i.e. one near the Stadthuys area near Mahligai restaurant while the other area is near the Mara's bazaar at Jalan Laksamana just in front of Jalan Bunga Raya. The third proposed site is at the botanical garden ( near the Melaka Public Swimming Pool ) just outside the buffer zone.

Strong resistance were voiced by Melaka Museum Corporation and other conservation groups against the building of this tower. Others have supported the new tower.

What are your views and comments?

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