Three sisters injured in Haadyai blast

Rude awakening for siblings on all-women holiday weekend across the border

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THREE sisters who could not wait to go shopping and spend an all-women holiday weekend in Haadyai ended up in hospital instead, following a explosion at a hotel there yesterday.

Chiaw Pui See, 33, Pui Pui, 32 and Universiti Sains Malaysia student Pui Hoon, 24, were admitted to the Sikarin Hospital in Songkhla after inhaling smoke as a result of the 1pm car bomb explosion.

The sisters had just arrived at the Lee Garden Plaza Hotel at 12.30pm after travelling for four hours from here when they suffered the blow of the bomb that was allegedly planted at the hotel basement.

Their father, Chiaw Chin Lee, 66, was relieved to know his daughters were unharmed and anticipating their return.

“They were so happy yesterday morning when they left. They told us they will see us on Monday.” Pui Pui had dropped her two-year-old daughter at their house earlier.

Pui See’s husband, Teoh Kim Ang, 40, said his wife told him she inhaled smoke whilst in the hotel.

He said his wife is a regular visitor to Haadyai where she loved shopping.

The explosion was believed to be part of a co-ordinated detonation that took place in Pattani, Yala and Haadyai, killing 10 people including a Malaysian Low Thian Hock, from Kulim. Another six injured Malaysians were believed to be from Penang.