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NGC Systems Sdn Bhd, which specializes in Next-Generation Network (NGN) solutions and mobile carrier services, plans to invest about RM7.5 million in research and development over the next three years.

Its chief technology officer Owen Chen says the company intends to develop NGN solutions and packet-based services for the domestic and regional markets, which will include prepaid services, Interactive Voice Response (IVR), and free phones.

The company, which is also a wholly-owned subsidiary of DVM Technology Bhd, recently joined Hewlett-Packard Asia-Pacific OpenCall Partner Programme.

The programme supports key application providers to build solutions based on the HP OpenCall products and services. It also helps to extend the market reach of the partners by providing marketing opportunities.

NGC's flagship Genico™ suite of solutions offer businesses a tool that converges data, voice and multimedia within a modular, low-maintenance, easy-to-use, and resourceful, fully transparent infrastructure, said Dato' Goh Kian Seng, managing director of DVM Technology. These solutions are targeted at mobile operations, fixed-line or Internet protocol (IP)-based service providers and large enterprises.

According to the Deloitte Telco Index report released last October, telco enterprises in Asia-Pacific are placing themselves to take advantage of growth prospects in the areas such as Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP), mobile voice and data services.

NGC claims that its solutions are able to shorten the time gap between new service deployments, lower critical investment costs and resources required to roll out new services.

The company plans to extend its services to China, India, Indonesia, Taiwan, Japan, Vietnam, the Philippines, and Thailand.

Thailand would be its first destination as the company already has a few local partners, says DVM Technology's chief executive officer Wong Wai Wah.