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NOR Hasmizan Abdullah diiringi pegawai SPRM hadir di Mahkamah Shah Alam, Selangor atas kesalahan menerima rasuah RM1,000 tiga tahun lalu. - UTUSAN/SITI ROHAIZAH ZAINAL

Bekas juara silat didenda RM3,000

SHAH ALAM: Seorang bekas juara silat dunia didenda RM3,000 oleh Mahkamah Sesyen di sini selepas mengaku bersalah menerima rasuah sebanyak RM1,000 daripada pemilik kafe siber tiga tahun lalu.

Tertuduh, Nor Hasmizan Abdullah, 43, yang juga merupakan pembantu penguat kuasa di Majlis Perbandaran Klang (MPK) membuat pengakuan tersebut selepas pertuduhan pilihan dibacakan di hadapan Hakim Rozilah Salleh.

Mahkamah turut memerintahkan Pemenang Pingat Emas dalam Kejuaraan Silat Dunia 2007 itu dipenjarakan sekiranya gagal membayar denda.

Mengikut pertuduhan pilihan, bapa kepada tiga anak itu didakwa menerima wang tunai RM1,000 daripada pemilik kafe siber berusia 44 tahun sebagai balasan tindakan undang-undang tidak diambil terhadap premis tersebut.

Tertuduh didakwa melakukan kesalahan di Compusys Connection Enterprise di Jalan Klang Sentral antara pukul 1.50 hingga 2 pagi pada 21 Ok-

tober 2017.

Mengikut pertuduhan pilihan tersebut, tertuduh didakwa di bawah Seksyen 165 Kanun Keseksaan yang membawa hukuman penjara tidak melebihi dua tahun atau denda atau kedua-duanya sekali.

Rozilah Salleh dalam penghakimannya menegaskan, kesalahan dilakukan tertuduh ketika menjalankan tugas amat serius dan tidak seharusnya mengambil kesempatan sebagai penguat kuasa.

“Sepatutnya kamu (tertuduh) beritahu sendiri kepada perasuah tidak boleh terima dan jangan ambil. Malah, kamu seharusnya melaporkan kepada Suruhanjaya Pencegahan Rasuah Malaysia (SPRM) dan polis.

“Berapa jumlah yang diambil sama ada RM1,000 atau RM1 tetap rasuah. Rasuah yang diambil beri makan pada isteri, anak dan ibu. Kena ingat rasuah bakal memberi implikasi kepada negara dan jenayah akhir zaman.

“Apa yang berlaku adalah Allah sayangkan kamu dan mahu menghentikan segala perbuatan,” katanya.



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Kakitangan MBSA bakal guna kamera badan

SHAH ALAM: Majlis Bandaraya Shah Alam (MBSA) meluluskan pembelian 45 unit kamera badan untuk mengawasi penguat kuasa agensi berkenaan.

Datuk Bandar Shah Alam, Datuk Haris Kassim berkata, kamera tersebut melibatkan lima kamera badan untuk penstriman secara langsung

manakala 40 lagi untuk rakaman terus ke pusat arahan (command center) di Wisma MBSA.

"Setiap kamera badan tersebut berharga RM1,000 dan akan dipakaikan di badan penguat kuasa setiap kali menyertai operasi atau rondaan rutin.

"Kamera ini diharap boleh

dijadikan bukti termasuk apa-apa keliruan melibatkan orang ramai dan kakitangan MBSA sendiri," katanya selepas Pembentangan Bajet 2021 MBSA dan Mesyuarat Majlis Kali Ketujuh Tahun 2020 semalam.

Menurut beliau, kamera badan tersebut antara prosedur operasi standard (SOP)

yang ditambah baik bagi memastikan setiap kakitangan MBSA mematuhi peraturan kerja.

Mengulas mengenai Covid-19 yang dikesan di Klang dan Shah Alam, beliau berkata, pihaknya sentiasa bekerjasama dengan Kementerian Kesihatan Malaysia (KKM) dan Polis

Diraja Malaysia (PDRM) bagi mengekang pandemik tersebut.

"Sekiranya pandemik kembali meningkat kita akan melaksanakan Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan Diperketatkan (PKPD) sebagaimana kita lakukan di Jalan Puyuh, Seksyen 6,"katanya.



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Pelabuhan Klang

Kementerian Perumahan dan Kerajaan Tempatan (KPKT) meminta kerjasama kerajaan Selangor bagi menyelesaikan masalah bangunan flat Taman Seri Berembang yang kini dalam keadaan kritikal.

Sebuah blok di flat yang berusia 22 tahun itu kini mengalami keretakan serius dan tidak selamat untuk didiami.

Menterinya, Zuraida Kamaruddin berkata, KPKT bersedia membina penempatan baharu untuk penduduk yang terjejas, bagaimanapun, kementerian itu perlu mendapat kerjasama daripada kerajaan negeri.

"Pembinaan semula perlu dilakukan kerana flat berkenaan mengalami kerosakan struktur apabila jika kita membuat baik pulih, ia akan menghasilkan kesan 'domino' yang akan turut men-

30 rumah rosak teruk

KPKT mohon kerjasama kerajaan negeri bantu selesaikan isu flat Taman Seri Berembang

jejaskan keseluruhan blok di taman itu.

"Kita boleh membina semula penempatan baharu dengan anggaran kos (pembinaan semula) RM50 juta bagaimanapun kita meminta Selangor menyediakan sebidang tanah.

"Dalam pada itu, 30 rumah dikesan mengalami keretakan dan kerosakan yang teruk oleh itu kita mahu 30 keluarga ini dipindahkan ke mana-mana rumah Selang-

orku berdekatan," katanya selepas mengadakan lawatan ke flat berkenaan semalam.

Beliau berkata, kementerian itu tidak mempunyai rumah di kawasan berdekatan dan kerjasama kerajaan negeri diperlukan bagi memastikan 30 keluarga itu tinggal di kediaman yang lebih selamat.

Katanya, satu mesyuarat penyelarasan juga perlu dibuat antara KPKT dan ke-



ZURAIDA (kanan) melihat keadaan struktur bangunan yang mengalami keretakan ketika mengadakan lawatan di flat Taman Sri Berembang. --

rajaan negeri untuk berunding mengenai penempatan semula penduduk itu.

"Sekiranya projek ini berjaya dilakukan, ia akan menjadi model KPKT dalam pembangunan semula rumah kos rendah yang berusia lebih 30 tahun khusus di Selangor," katanya.

Sementara itu, Pengerusi Penduduk Taman Seri Berembang, Mohd Yusof Dolah

berkata, pihaknya bersyukur kerana masalah yang sekian lama dihadapi penduduk mendapat perhatian menteri KPKT.

"Terdapat 478 unit rumah di lima blok flat ini dan sekiranya pembinaan semula dilakukan, kami berharap ia tidak terlalu jauh memandangkan rata-rata penduduk bekerja di sekitar Pelabuhan Klang malah ramai anak

kami juga bersekolah di sini.

"Insya-Allah kami akan memberikan kerjasama kepada pihak yang terbabit sama ada untuk penempatan atau pembinaan semula flat," katanya.

Sebelum ini, isu flat uzur itu disiarkan di saluran berita sebuah stesen televisyen dan mendapat perhatian beberapa pihak.



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523.1KG SAMPAH DALAM 3 JAM

Aktiviti amal bersih sisa pepejal di Pantai Remis Selangor disertai kakitangan KPJ Selangor, sukarelawan MYCB

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Lebih 60 kakitangan KPJ Selangor Specialist Hospital (KPJ Selangor) dan 10 sukarelawan My Clean Beach (MYCB) menyertai aktiviti amal, membersihkan sisa pepejal di Pantai Remis, Selangor, baru-baru ini.

Aktiviti yang bertemakan Bersihkan Pantai Kita itu tertumpu di sekitar kawasan Pantai Remis sepanjang kira-kira dua kilometer (km).

Dalam masa tiga jam, sebanyak 523.1 kilogram (kg) sampah berjaya dikumpulkan dan 35 peratus daripadanya terdiri daripada plastik.

Aktiviti anjuran Jawatankuasa Tetap Alam Sekitar KPJ Selangor itu turut mendapat kerjasama MYCB.

Inisiatif itu bertujuan untuk memberi kesedaran dan mengekalkan kebersihan kawasan pantai dalam usaha memastikan ia kekal bersih selain pada masa sama, menjadi tumpuan pelancong sekali gus mewujudkan ekonomi maritim.

Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif KPJ Selangor, Farahiyah Badri berkata, program membersihkan kawasan pantai itu adalah kerjasama daripada pelbagai pihak dan ia selaras dengan inisiatif «BebasPlastik bagi mendidik serta meningkatkan

kesedaran masyarakat mengenai impak masalah sampah di kawasan pantai.

Kata Farahiyah, pihaknya bangga dapat berkolaborasi bersama MYCB, Majlis Perbandaran Kuala Selangor dan Ahli Majlis Daerah Kuala Selangor melalui usaha untuk menyatukan komuniti setempat dengan tujuan membebaskan kawasan pantai daripada sampah.

Katanya, meskipun masih di bawah Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan Pemulihan (PKPP), orang ramai tetap mengunjungi dan menjalankan aktiviti di kawasan pantai.

“Sangat menyedihkan apabila melihat tempat pelancongan kita dicemari

dengan plastik, styrofoam, botol kaca, lampin pakai buang, puntung rokok dan sebagainya.

“Sampah yang tertinggal seperti topeng muka misalnya akan memberikan kesan kepada saluran air dan mengancam hidupan lautan.

“Jadi, menerusi aktiviti pembersihan sebegini, kami mendapat peluang untuk memberi sumbangan kepada masyarakat sambil menikmati pemandangan, udara segar dan keindahan alam semula jadi,” katanya.

Sementara itu, pencemaran daripada bungkus pakai buang dan bekas makanan turut menyebabkan pertambahan sampah-sarap yang ketara di kawasan pantai itu dan



FARAHYAH (kanan) turut menyertai aktiviti amal membersihkan kawasan Pantai Remis.



KAKITANGAN KPJ Selangor dan sukarelawan MYCB bergambar kenangan sebelum memulakan aktiviti membersihkan pantai.

bertambah buruk dari semasa ke semasa.

Justeru, Farahiyah berkata, pihak hospital juga berhasrat menyumbangkan tong kitar semula di kawasan Pantai Remis bagi memastikan kebersihan pantai terjaga untuk dinikmati semua.

“Kami berharap dengan inisiatif meletakkan tong sampah tambahan akan mendidik pengunjung pantai dan masyarakat sekitar untuk menjaga kebersihan sekali gus melindungi keselamatan serta kesihatan persekitaran,” katanya.



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Penguat kuasa MBSA dilengkapi gajet berharga RM1,000

Kamera badan pantau salah laku

SHAH ALAM – Penguat kuasa Majlis Bandaraya Shah Alam (MBSA) akan dilengkapi kamera badan bagi mengelak dan menangani kes salah laku ketika menjalankan tugas.

Datuk Bandar Shah Alam, Datuk Haris Kassim berkata, pembelian sebanyak 45 buah kamera itu telah diluluskan oleh pihaknya untuk penstriman secara langsung dan rakaman terus ke pusat arahan di Wisma MBSA.

“Setiap kamera badan tersebut berharga RM1,000 yang akan dipakaikan di badan penguat kuasa setiap kali operasi atau rondaan rutin dijalankan mereka.

“Kita berharap menerusnya boleh dijadikan bukti termasuk kes melibatkan orang ramai dan kakitangan MBSA sendiri,” katanya kepada pemberita selepas pembentangan Bajet 2021 Majlis Bandaraya Shah Alam dan Mesyuarat Majlis Kali Ketujuh Tahun 2020 semalam.

Beliau menambah, kamera badan itu adalah antara prosedur operasi standard yang ditambah



HARIS (dua dari kanan) memegang buku Bajet 2021 Majlis Bandaraya Shah Alam selepas pembentangan bajet di Wisma Majlis Bandaraya Shah Alam semalam. – ABDUL RAZAK IDRIS

baik dalam memastikan setiap kakitangan terutama penguat kuasa mematuhi peraturan kerja ditetapkan pihaknya.

Dalam perkembangan penerangan kes Covid-19 yang berlaku

di daerah itu dan Klang, Haris menegaskan, kerjasama sentiasa dilakukan bersama Kementerian Kesihatan dan Polis Diraja Malaysia bagi mengekang pandemik tersebut.

“Contohnya pada 20 September lalu apabila melakukan operasi bersepadu di sebuah pusat hiburan di Setia Alam bersama PDRM dalam memastikan SOP dan peraturan dipatuhi mereka.



CONTOH kamera badan yang bakal digunakan pihak berkuasa bagi memantau sebarang kes salah laku ketika menjalankan tugas.

“Jika pandemik kembali meningkat, kita akan melaksanakan Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan Diperketatkan bagi mengekang pandemik Covid-19 sebagaimana yang pernah kita lakukan di Jalan Puyuh Seksyen 6 sebelum ini,” katanya.



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KAKITANGAN MBSA dan ahli Malaysian Humanitarian Fund bergambar bersama sempena sambutan World Clean Up Day 2020 di Seksyen 25, Shah Alam. - ABDULRAZAK IDRIS

MBSA dan MHF anjur 'World Clean Up Day 2020'

BERSIH. Majlis Bandaraya Shah Alam (MBSA) dan pertubuhan bukan kerajaan, Malaysian Humanitarian Foundation mengadakan program mengutip sampah, World Clean Up Day 2020 di kawasan Seksyen 25 baru-baru ini.

Program itu turut disertai 20 sukarelawan termasuk anggota Majlis Perwakilan Penduduk Zon 9 dalam memupuk budaya persekitaran yang bersih dalam kalangan masyarakat.

Ketua Bahagian Komunikasi Korporat dan Perhubungan Awamnya, Shahrin Ahmad menegaskan aktiviti itu seterusnya mampu mengindahkan bandar raya Shah Alam daripada sampah.



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MB Selangor, isteri teruskan kuarantin di rumah

SHAH ALAM - Menteri Besar Selangor, Datuk Seri Amirudin Shari dan isteri mengambil langkah meneruskan kuarantin di rumah walaupun disahkan bebas coronavirus (Covid-19).

Amirudin menerusi kenyataan di Facebooknya semalam berkata, langkah itu diambil bagi mengelak risiko jangkitan selain mematuhi prosedur operasi standard (SOP) ditetapkan Kementerian Kesihatan Malaysia (KKM).

Menurutnya, sepanjang tempoh kuarantin itu, pihaknya meneruskan tugas menerusi mesyuarat secara dalam talian.

“Alhamdulillah, saya dan isteri bebas Covid-19, namun untuk elak risiko dan mematuhi SOP, saya akan meneruskan kuarantin dan mengadakan mesyuarat secara dalam talian.

“Program melibatkan orang ramai juga saya telah wakilkan kepada YB (Yang Berhormat) Exco yang lain,” katanya.

Amirudin berkata, beliau akan menjalani saringan sekali lagi bagi memastikannya benar-benar bebas jangkitan virus tersebut selain berterima kasih atas doa dan sokongan daripada semua pihak.

“Semoga kita dipelihara dan dilindungi daripada wabak ini, insya-ALLAH,” tulisnya.

Kelmarin, Amirudin berkongsi status menjalani ujian swab Covid-19 seterusnya memakai gelang merah jambu sebaik pulang membantu partinya berkempen di Sabah.

Sementara itu, melalui kenyataan dikeluarkan Pejabat Menteri Besar Selangor semalam, sebarang maklumat kehadiran Amirudin untuk sebarang acara dalam jangka masa terdekat akan dimaklumkan oleh Pejabat Menteri Besar Selangor kepada urusetia program berkenaan.



Amirudin berkongsi statusnya bebas Covid-19 di media sosial Facebooknya semalam.



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COMPOUND DISCOUNT

● Subang Jaya Municipal Council is offering a flat rate of RM10 for all traffic compounds that are paid within 24 hours, for compounds issued since Sept 14. It does not include tyre clamping, towing, and abandoned vehicles. For details, call 03-8024 7700.



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HALF-BILLION BUDGET
 Shah Alam City Council allocates RM526,887,600 for next year's expenditure >2

Deficit budget for Shah Alam

Mayor says MBSA expects revenue to increase by 3.8% next year

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OVER half-a-billion ringgit has been allocated for Shah Alam City Council's (MBSA) budget next year.

However, it would be a deficit budget, said Shah Alam mayor Datuk Haris Kasim after chairing the city council's full board meeting.

"MBSA plans to spend RM526,887,600 but estimated revenue will only be RM498,820,920, so there is a deficit of RM28,066,680 which will be covered by our reserves," he said.

He disclosed that MBSA was expecting to see an increase in revenue collection by 3.8% in 2021, which is RM18,246,830 more than this year.

"We are also expecting to see an increase of RM5.98mil in assessment tax payment compared to this year because of the many new developments that are now occupied," he said.

Themed "Pioneering the New Normal for a Prosperous Shah Alam", Budget 2021 will also focus on several development and infrastructure projects.

Among them are the construction of a two-storey shop consisting of 13 multipurpose stalls and 17 food stalls in Kampung Baru Subang, Pekan Subang Section U6.

"We have been building such premises in U10, Section 15 and Section 25 in a bid to move all roadside hawkers into proper locations for them to run their business."

"We have budgeted RM4.5mil for the premises in Section U6," said Haris.



Haris (second from right) holding MBSA's Budget 2021 as deputy mayor Mohd Rashidi Ruslan (second from left) and other city council officers look on.

He also announced the development of a one-stop service centre at Wisma MBSA in a bid to centralise its current command centre.

"Currently our command centre is spread out everywhere, so we have allocated RM3.5mil to build the command centre at Wisma MBSA to have everything under one roof and for our team to be more efficient too," he added.

In addition, MBSA will allocate funds to buy more body cameras for on-duty enforcement officers to wear.

MBSA has bought 45 units so far, at RM1,000 per unit.

Other projects include the upgrading of the Section 19 football field, construction of a multistorey carpark in Section 17 and a pedestrian

bridge at Persiaran Institut beside Unisel in Section 7, as well as expansion of MBSA's closed-circuit television (CCTV) camera coverage.

A total of RM1mil has been allocated to replace 108 CCTV units, with more to be added in hotspot areas where littering and crime are rampant.

Haris said that although they were hit by the Covid-19 pandemic, MBSA's operations were not badly affected.

"We are still able to continue providing services and have a good budget for next year," said the mayor.

On Covid-19, he said if a cluster developed in Shah Alam, the MBSA task force would be activated

immediately and officers would go around to ensure people complied with the rules.

MBSA is also actively checking premises, especially those that are illegally run by foreigners.

"Under our law, no foreigner can own a business licence unless they come here with a visa which specifies that."

"Most of the foreigners we encounter are only allowed to work in factories, so the Immigration Department needs to take action against them," said Haris.

He added that MBSA would not hesitate to revoke the licence of those who flout the law and fail to adhere to the standard operating procedures put in place for Covid-19.



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MPSepang will replace trees that fell or had to be cut down after the Sept 22 storm.

(Far left) Zulfahmi will help promote selected tourism spots in Sepang. — Filepic

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Former MotoGP racer made Sepang tourism icon

MOTORCYCLE racing star Zulfahmi Khairuddin has pledged to help Sepang Municipal Council in its domestic tourism drive.

MPSepang president Datuk Abd Hamid Hussain hopes to leverage on Zulfahmi's popularity by appointing him to the role of the municipality's latest tourism icon. "He will visit selected tourist spots and share posts and videos of his experiences at these places," said Abd Hamid at the council's full board meeting.

The former MotoGP rider retired from racing in 2018 and resides in Bukit Changgang, Banting.

He is now based at the Sepang International Circuit as founder of his own racing team.

Meanwhile, five travel agencies — AIT Holidays, Pearl Star Travel

and Tours, Sunflower Holidays, Jetworld Holidays Travel and Tours, and Creative Holidays — have been selected by the council to offer tour packages priced between RM588 and RM1,488 per person.

MPSepang also plans to replace trees that had tumbled down during storms in Desa Pinggiran Putra, Jenderam, Sungai Merab, Desa Putra and Dengkil.

On Sept 22, strong winds and rain uprooted trees. Parked cars were flattened and 73 trees fell during the storm.

Following the incident, Abd

Hamid said the council had cut down an additional 85 trees in Desa Pinggiran Putra as a precautionary measure.

He also advised residents to be prepared during the inter-monsoon season that brought strong winds and thunderstorms.

At the meeting, he said MPSepang approved 12 new temporary locations for hawkers to set up stalls.

"It is for existing hawkers in Sepang who have yet to be licensed.

"The largest temporary site we

now have is outside Universiti Tenaga Nasional with 32 stalls," he elaborated.

On complaints by some hawkers that the locations were not commercially viable, he said the temporary sites were located on government reserve land and that the main criteria for selection was traffic safety.

Abdul Hamid said hawkers who were given spots in the temporary lots should bear in mind that once the economic situation improved, the council would rescind approvals for them to continue operating there.



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TAX REBATE

Houseowners who have made their homes more environmental-friendly will be eligible for assessment tax rebates from Petaling Jaya City Council (MBPJ) until Oct 16. Download the form at bit.ly/33j-6FOb. For details, call MBPJ Solid Waste Management and Public Cleansing Department at 03-7954 1440.



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Vulnerable shores

Tanjung Sepat along Selangor's coastline has been depleted of mangrove trees, causing villagers to worry about being hit by high tides predicted to occur in October and November. >3



Yusoff Yusoff and Aline rebuilding the makeshift bund consisting of dead tree roots, used tyres, sandbags and old clothes on the beach as protection against the high tide phenomenon. — Photos: AZLINA ABDULLAH/The Star



Two large bags of discarded clothes behind Yusoff's house waiting to be used as sand traps for a DTY bund.



Yusoff's mother, Jamilah Aishah Abdul, showing where flood waters have come right on to the side of their house in the past.

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THOSE who have made their home in Tanjung Sepat on the coastline of Selangor want the state government to consider the replanting of mangrove trees here to act as wave breakers.

Kampung Batu Laut residents are a mangrove forest will also help to counter the high tide phenomenon.

Yusoff Yusoff, who has been living there for 30 years, said that while there was a 3km bund stretching from Kampung Jengat to the Kampung Batu Laut Youth Centre, the remaining 1km of coastline by the area was left unprotected.

The 58-year-old fisherman said this left 10 to 15 houses along the shoreline vulnerable.

Yusoff, who is also the newly-elected chairman of Ainal Institut Malaysia (AIM) Sepang, the charity arm of Ainal, said many of these families had a household income of below RM1,000.

"The planting of mangroves will be a cheaper alternative to a bund made of rocks, as we see it. Our residents are unable to carry out this replanting exercise on their own."

The cost of one mangrove tree is RM200. To plant a mangrove forest over a 1km stretch, will require at least RM20,000. The residents cannot afford it," he said.

He said if the state government would consider planting casuarina and mangrove trees for Batu Laut like what was done at Casuarina Beach, it could draw tourists to the area too.

Moreover, incoming seawater had left Yusoff's backyard in a mess. The ground was muddy and a mountainous heap of preloved clothes had sent to his beach shack.

The beach were used tyres piled on top of each other like pillars. Some had been fastened to branches of dead trees, looking like ghost hands in a menacing guard at a flat entrance.

The old clothes and tyres make

Village needs permanent protection against high tides

Kampung Batu Laut residents urge Selangor government to replant mangrove forest at vulnerable coast



Yusoff showing fresh claims that can be dug from the shores near Kampung Batu Laut.

up the makeshift bund. One remaining plus point is that the beach is still firming with sea life and fresh claims can still be dug out from the mud there.

Aline Yusoff, who is from Incheh Progress Sepang, a charity branch of AIM, has been helping Yusoff build a 600m-long bund from recycled materials in a bid to protect the latter's backyard.

Batu Laut is one of the areas affected by the overly high tide phenomenon that hit the coast of Klang, Sepang, Kuala Langkat, Kuala Selangor and Subang Seremban in Selangor.

At normal times, waves reaching heights of one to two metres are

not uncommon, but during high tide phenomenon, Selangor fishermen say strong winds and rain have created waves that are about 10m high.

After the most recent episode in mid-September, the Meteorological Department predicted the high tide to occur again from Oct 17 to 19, and from Nov 15 to 16.

There is much at stake for Yusoff, a father of two.

As soon as the monsoon started earlier entered the recovery phase, he began working on his plan to turn his backyard into a buffer zone to generate extra income.

In addition to an open-air beach shack, he has built facilities such as

a toilet, bathroom and a freshwater pond rearing tilapia, catfish and milkfish.

Yusoff, who shares his home with his 40-year-old mother, wife and 25-year-old son, invested close to RM1,000 from his CPF savings into the project.

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"The tyres and old clothes act as sand traps."

"We have been adding other materials like bamboo and dead wood from mangrove forests into our bund," he said.

Public Questions have been helping him in terms of materials and manpower.

But he still has to pay the kerry drivers and send the high tide phenomenon comes to an end for the year, there will be sleepless nights for Yusoff who has to keep watch for rising waves.

"Whether my campaign will remain safe after the high tide phenomenon, I leave it to God."

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MBPJ gives grants to four groups for community projects

PETALING Jaya City Council (MBPJ) has presented RM69,500 in community grant to four organisations whose projects help to improve the council's performance in areas related to sustainable urban development.

MBPJ said in a statement that the PJ SEED (Social, Environment, Economy Development) community grant was given to Section 3 Residents Association (RA), SS25

Taman Mayang Rukun Tetangga (RT), SS25A RT and SMK Abdul Samad.

All community grant applications are evaluated in terms of technical aspects by a panel of evaluators appointed by MBPJ, which then recommends the right projects that fit the council's requirements and approve a grant of between RM5,000 and RM50,000 based on market study.

Priority is given to proposed projects that can reduce resources, time, energy and negative impact, reuse existing resources either in an existing or new form, are creative as well as can be replicated in other areas.

MBPJ also presented contributions for the Petaling Jaya Neighbourhood Security Team (PKKPJ) programme at the event held at Petaling Jaya Civic Centre

in Jalan Yong Shook Lin.

The PKKPJ initiative aims to involve residents organisations such as RAs, RTs and joint management bodies (JMB) in addressing safety and security related matters in their neighbourhoods.

PKKPJ offers an incentive of RM3,000 to each organisation to carry out activities and strengthen measures that enhance safety and

security in their neighbourhoods.

The council received a total of 150 applications this year, comprising 94 from RAs, 31 from RTs and 25 from JMBs.

Statistics from the Safe City Monitoring System showed a 5.69% drop in crime rate in 2019 compared to 2018, with 3,117 crime cases recorded last year, while in 2018 there were 3,305.



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MPK imposes rubbish bin ruling on shops

KLANG Municipal Council has made it compulsory for shops to place a rubbish bin each at their premises.

The council's Environmental Services Department has started a pilot project in nine commercial areas involving about 3,000 shops.

Department director Zaireezal Ahmad Zainuddin said it was important for each shop to have a rubbish bin that was secure to ensure stray cats and dogs could not tear rubbish bags open to scavenge for scraps.

"Our intention is to keep the commercial areas clean.

"If rubbish is kept in a bin with a lid, it will not attract stray animals that hunt for food

caused by bad smell. Rubbish will stay in the bin until the garbage collector removes it, instead of being strewn all over the ground like it often happens in areas without proper rubbish bins."

He said the council had received numerous complaints about strewn rubbish along back lanes.

"We need to keep the commercial areas clean for the sake of residents in surrounding areas, and avoid the spread of diseases due to rotting food scraps.

"We also get complaints from businesses that shopowners who do not have their own bins will dump their rubbish into the bins of neighbouring shops," he added.

Zaireezal said the nine areas in the pilot project were Jalan Sungai Aur in Port Klang, Jalan Meru, Jalan Ehsan Perdana, Jalan Cokmar 1 in Mutiara Bukit Raja, Jalan Shahbudin 44, Jalan Aman Perdana, Jalan Batu Nilam 10, Jalan 14 in 5th Mile near Jalan Kapar, and Jalan Pekan Baru 34.

"The businesses in these areas will receive a letter and supporting information con-

cerning the pilot project in stages.

Ng showing MPK's letter on the new ruling requiring shops to have rubbish bins.



Rubbish dumped indiscriminately by shopowners in Klang who do not own bins.
 — Photos: KK SHAM/The Star



cerning the pilot project in stages.

"We have enlisted the help of the area councillors to engage the businesses to get the required bins," he announced.

He warned that if the businesses failed to have the requisite rubbish bins outside their shops after a month from receiving the notice, MPK would not hesitate to issue a RM1,000 fine under its Licensing, Business Trade and Industry By-Laws 2007.

He added that the compulsory bin ruling was under the council's new initiative called "Klang Proud".

Klang Proud (Prevent and Report on Unlawful Dumping) is a campaign to curb illegal dumping through free collection of bulk waste twice a week and ensure commercial areas are kept clean.

Restaurant owner Nelson Ng, 30, said he received MPK's letter last Thursday informing of the need to have a bin.

He agreed with the council's regulation on the basis of hygiene and sanitation.

Another eatery owner, Tiew Ah Choo, 46, said the idea to get all shops to have a bin was good as it would lead to cleaner surroundings.

A cook at one of the eateries in the affected locations, Lee Kah Hock, 56, said it was a good idea to make it compulsory for each shop to have its own bin.

"Sometimes, people from other shops would dump their rubbish into the neighbours' bins.

"It is a bad attitude and it is time MPK takes positive action," he said.

Zaireezal said the council would be strict in the implementation of the new bin ruling.

"We are absolutely determined to tackle the littering and illegal dumping problem which mars some parts of our town," he said.



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An Air Selangor employee interacting with children from Rumah Anak-Anak Yatim dan Miskin, Sabak Bernam.



Air Selangor employees from the company's headquarters and Gombak office cleaning a villager's house in Kampung Selayang Baru.

Marking milestone with communities

Water supply company celebrates anniversary with consumers in three locations

PENGURUSAN Air Selangor Sdn Bhd celebrated its first anniversary by engaging the community in Gombak, Sabak Bernam and Petaling.

The initiative themed "Appreciating Communities" was aimed at giving back to consumers living in the three areas in a more meaningful way and providing assistance to those in need.

Air Selangor kicked off the celebration with the children from Rumah Anak-Anak Yatim dan Miskin, Sabak Bernam.

This was followed by an initiative to help underprivileged families in Kampung Selayang Baru, Gombak.

Next, Air Selangor organised an

outreach programme with residents of People's Housing Project (PPR) Lembah Pantai in Kuala Lumpur to conclude its week-long first anniversary celebration.

The community engagement initiatives included *gotong-royong* at the surrounding areas in these locations besides recreational activities with residents.

Air Selangor also donated essential food items to 131 underprivileged families through its Box of Hope initiative, which is under the "Sesama Mara" programme in collaboration with Village Grocer and Yayasan Food Bank.

At PPR Lembah Pantai, Air Selangor chief executive officer

Suhaimi Kamaralzaman was present alongside corporate communications head Elna Baseri and head of distribution, Kelvin Siew Weng Hoe.

A total of 120 packs of essential food items from Box of Hope were distributed to underprivileged families at the public housing project.

During the community engagement with Kampung Selayang Baru residents, 11 underprivileged families received donations of grocery items from Box of Hope.

The team from Air Selangor also helped repair a villager's house in the *gotong-royong* activity.

At the event, Elna was accompanied by Gombak region head

Tengku Mohd Safari Tengku Ahmad.

They were joined by a representative from the Templer assemblyman's office and Selayang Baru village chief Mohd Abdul Ghani Mustafa.

At Rumah Anak-Anak Yatim dan Miskin, Sabak Bernam, 22 orphans received new sports equipment and electrical appliances as well as daily grocery items donated by Air Selangor.

Also present at this event was Air Selangor's Sabak Bernam region head, Muhd Miftahuddin Mat Hayin.

The utility company said it would continue to build a stronger relationship with the communities

in Klang Valley as part of its efforts to deliver the best possible experience to consumers.

Air Selangor was inaugurated on Sept 13 as the sole licence holder of water supply services in Selangor, Kuala Lumpur and Putrajaya.

The consolidation exercise was to ensure that as the new official entity, Air Selangor achieved one of the key strategic objectives to integrate the water treatment and distribution operations more effectively and efficiently.

As of Dec 31, 2019, Air Selangor provides water supply to approximately 8.4 million consumers across Selangor, Kuala Lumpur and Putrajaya.



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Cultivating good habits

IF you go for a walk in local park Taman Aman in Petaling Jaya, you might have come across a small wooden structure shaped like a traditional house on stilts. It contains books and these are free for borrowing.

Rumah Buku (House of Books) Taman Aman, as it's called, was launched early this year by the Community Library of Petaling Jaya, in partnership with the PJ City Council (MBPJ) and Friends of Taman Aman (FOTA) club, to cultivate a strong reading habit among families and children in the area. It is operational from 7am to 7pm (but times may change during the pandemic).

There are books for both children and adults – from fiction to non-fiction. A recent visit to Rumah Buku revealed a range of books, including general knowledge books, as well as fiction like thrillers, classics and other types of novels. Most of the books are in English and Bahasa Malaysia.

"People can read them at the park or take them home to read. They can return the books or even keep them if they wish. They can even barter trade too," says FOTA secretary Siti Mahfudz.

"There are no rules or regulations. We just want to cultivate the good habit of reading," she says.

Siti, who unlocks Rumah Buku in the mornings and locks it up again at night, reveals that the turnover of books is high.

"I'm so happy that the turnover of books is overwhelming! To see someone sitting at the park reading one of the books is such a joy for me" she enthuses.

Users can record books they've borrowed or taken (a note book and pen is provided) if they wish. Of course, nobody is there to make sure they do, so it's based on trust.

Many people also donate books, but they will usually be screened first before being added to Rumah Buku. Originally, the books were provided by MBPJ but after that, the books and also magazines from members of the public just kept pouring in, Siti reveals.

Especially popular are recipe and children's books which are "taken like goreng pisang".

"The aim of Rumah Buku is to encourage more people to read, and not just online, but also printed books," Siti says.

"It's a trial project by MBPJ, and so far, it's well-received. They might give us a bigger and better 'pondok' later I hope," she adds.

One of the residents in the area who wishes to be known only as Rozita says: "I walked and exercised here (before the MCO) and resumed during the recovery MCO.

I think it's wonderful that the habit of reading is still being

encouraged during the pandemic."

Another resident, Lee says that he sometimes borrows books from Rumah Buku for his children: "Instead of buying new books, this is more economical especially during uncertain times like this because we can just borrow and return (the books) later or even keep them."

"It's great that nobody has vandalised it, which means Malaysians are more civic-minded now," says park goer Ramy.

Are they concerned about using the Rumah Buku service during the pandemic?

"Well, yes, of course we're worried about touching the books and everything. But life goes on. We can't stop living just because of the pandemic. We just have to

be wise," Lee says. He adds that he usually sprays the books with disinfectant before bringing them home.

"I'm glad there is a bottle of hand sanitiser and a notice posted asking people to sanitise their hands before and after touching the books! It's a great initiative to keep this service going during recovery MCO," Rozita says.

The service is eco-friendly because people can donate books that they've read here, which means a longer lifespan for the books, she adds.

For more info, visit: www.facebook.com/KelabSahabatTamanAmanPJ

