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Incidents of illegal dumping caught by CCTVs installed at Jalan KPB12 in Balakong. (Right) MPKj clearing the

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INSTALLING closed circuit television cameras (CCTV) to catch those dumping rubbish along an industrial road in Balakong, Selangor has been effective.

Two incidents were caught on camera in a span of one week since the CCTVs were installed.

Based on their registration numbers, the vehicles were traced to a

company in Selesa Jaya, Balakong, and another at Dataran Pandan Prima, Ampang.

Not only was the rubbish sent back to the company in Selesa Jaya, a RM1,000 fine was also issued by

the Kajang Municipal Council (MPKj). Councillor Billy Sun, in a press conference, said returning the rubbish to the culprits was first done by the late Balakong assemblyman

"If the culprits are caught red-

handed, their vehicle will also be confiscated for a week," he said.

Both domestic and industrial waste were discarded at the side of the road.

Oversea Lighting & Electric Sdn Bhd managing director Datuk SK Wong took the initiative to instal three CCTVs along Jalan KPB12 while Yu-Ai Food Industries Sdn Bhd managing director KO Leong supplied the electricity.

The footage can be monitored

live online. Earlier, Balakong assemblyman Wong Siew Ki, who praised the efforts by the companies, said MPKj spent at least 40% of the council's income to control illegal dumping in its jurisdiction.

Tackling the problem could also help reduce dengue cases in

"Asking residents to keep their homes and surroundings clean would not suffice if construction and industrial sites are not monitored.

"Illegal dumping of rubbish could lead to the breeding of Aedes mosquitoes," she said. Kampung Baru Balakong indus-

rial area association chairman Datuk Pang Yoon Shin, however, said the fine was too low and sug-gested it be increased to RM5,000.

The association also wants signboards erected to warn those contemplating dumping rubbish illegally.