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Haniza meeting traders during the launch of the MPAJ Sustainable Ramadan Bazaar 2019 at the Taman Melur bazaar.  
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## MPAJ's eco efforts paying off

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Traders show greater awareness and food wastage cut by more than half

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THE Sustainable Ramadan Bazaar programme is showing positive effects among traders and customers in the three years since it was introduced in Ampang Jaya, Selangor.

Ampang Jaya Municipal Council (MPAJ) president Datuk Abdul Hamid Hussain said the change was particularly noticeable with traders who had been operating at bazaars since the programme was launched in the municipality in 2017.

"Most are aware of the polystyrene ban and our efforts to go plastic-free.  
"So now we are focusing on educating

those who are new to trading in bazaars," he said.

Abdul Hamid added that spot checks would continue to be carried out to ensure compliance.

The sustainable programme was introduced in several Ramadan bazaars in Selangor in 2016 and had been rolled out at markets and restaurants by all 12 local councils since then.

It is aimed at creating a cleaner and more organised market while lowering waste management and clearing costs at the same time.

Included in the programme was an initiative for traders to gather as much used cooking oil as they could, to raise awareness of the detrimental environmental effects of

dumping used cooking oil.

From January to April, MPAJ collected 24,327kg of used cooking oil from markets and restaurants.

MySaveFood initiative is another aspect of the sustainable programme, introduced in Ampang Jaya in 2018 to reduce food loss and food waste.

Last year, 770kg of leftover food in good quality from the Pandan Indah bazaar was collected throughout the month and distributed to the needy.

"There has been a significant improvement with about 35kg of leftover food collected each day at the bazaar this year compared to the average of 80kg to 100kg per day last year. "This could be attributed to traders being

able to plan accordingly to reduce wastage," Abdul Hamid said during the launch of MPAJ Sustainable Ramadan Bazaar 2019.

Lembah Jaya assemblyman Haniza Talha, who is also state Housing and Urban Living Committee chairman, launched the event.

Other initiatives at the bazaar include a "bring your own food container" campaign and encouraging the use of biodegradable bags.

For the second year running, MPAJ is encouraging traders and customers to utilise the cashless transaction initiative by Smart Selangor Delivery Unit (SSDU).

SSDU introduced the mobile app Boost for customers and traders at bazaars in Selangor to enjoy hassle-free eWallet transactions.



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KEGAGALAN pihak pengurusan kuala menjalankan pemantauan berterusan di bazar Ramadan Pantai Dalam, Kuala Lumpur menyebabkan sebahagian besar peniaga tidak memperhatikan aspek kebersihan gorai mahupun penyediaan makanan. —UTUSAN SHIDDIEQIN ZON

Peniaga bazar Ramadan ingkar, gagal patuhi peraturan

## Tahap kebersihan masih rendah

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**K**EBERSIHAN, kecerianan susun surut petak dan kelancaran operasi perniagaan adalah antara elemen penting yang ampuh menarik minat serta menjadikan pilihan orang ramai untuk berkunjung ke bazar Ramadan.

Ini termasuk kualiti dan harga makanan yang dijual selain enak pemakanan yang dikenaikan oleh peniaga setinggi pematuhan piawai dan peraturan ditetapkan oleh pihak berkuasa tempatan (PBT).

Bagaimanapun, elemen ini selalunya dipandang ringan, segerinti peniaga meskipun dijelaskan beberapa kali oleh PBT supaya patuh terhadap peraturan.

Ini sekali gus memberikan gambaran negatif kepada pelancong luar yang berkunjung salah satu lokasi tumpuan di ibu kota selain membimbulkan rasa jelek kepada ketidaksesuaian kepada pelanggan.

Lokasi perniagaan yang terletak berdekatan tapak pasar malam pada setiap seminggu, Rabu dan Sabtu itu juga menghadang isu kesesakan trafik sehingga menyukarkan pengunjung untuk ke bazar.

Masalah itu dapat dilihat terutama melibatkan isu sampah yang dibiarakan berlonggok dan berserak di sekeliling Kawasan tapak perniagaan sepanjang Ramadan itu masih belum memudahkan.

Masalah itu dapat dilihat terutama melibatkan hidangan yang dijual juga terdedah kepada pencemaran terutama lalat.

Selain itu, peniaga juga kurang memekarkan etika berperakaian mengikut syarat ditetapkan apabila masih ada dalam semak.

ORANG ramai terus mengunjungi Bazar Ramadan Pantai Dalam, Kuala Lumpur mendapati sebahagiannya jualan buruk.

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DILAKUKAN oleh Dewan Bandaraya Kuala Lumpur sepertumanya menyediakan tong untuk minyak terpalai seperti di Bazar Ramadan Bangsar bagi memudahkan peniaga membuat sisa minyak selepas operasi perniagaan.

**MOHD SHARIZAL YASIN, 22**  
Peniaga bazar

BUKANNYA semuanya peniaga bersikap sedemikian. Beberapa selepas berniaga kami akan kumpulkan plastik sampah di hadapan gerai dan menunggu kontraktor mengutip sampah.

**MUHAMAD SHALLEH HARUB, 23**  
Peniaga bazar

Mereka hanya melihat mengutip keuntungan semata-mata tanpa memikirkan peraturan yang perlu dipatuhi apalagi selamat pelanggan.