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RM1mil infrastructure project expected to be completed next month

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THE infrastructure along nine roads in Klang are in the process of being upgraded with road resurfacing, pedestrian pavement repairs and drainage works in progress.

These works, which are happening at Jalan Goh Hock Huat, Lorong Gopeng, Jalan Nanas, Jalan Pasar, Leboh Tapah, Jalan Mantin, Lorong Tapah, Jalan Tapah and Jalan Temoh are scheduled for completion by the middle of next month.

A total of RM1mil was spent under the Malaysian Road Records Information System (Marris) fund for this project.

"All in all, I spent RM3.7mil from the Marris fund for my entire constituency this year. I already have plans for areas to be upgraded next year, which will be submitted soon," said Bandar Baru Klang assemblyman Datuk Teng Chang Khim.

He said this during a site visit to Lorong Gopeng where pavement works were being carried out.



Teng said each assemblyman gets RM3mil per year from the Marris fund, but can request for additional funds from the local council if necessary.

This year, Teng requested for an additional RM700,000 from the Klang Municipal Council (MPK) for infrastructure upgrades.

"Usually, I will assess an area

based on a needs basis and get it upgraded before residents submit complaints," he said.

Other areas where works have been completed are in Taman

Berkeley, Taman Eng Ann and Kawasan 19.

"I've also gotten the roads at the Kawasan 19 housing area resurfaced and pedestrian walkways at Taman Berkeley and Eng Ann upgraded, because I believe this can improve the quality of life in those areas," he said, adding that many people walk around those neighbourhoods.

Teng also urged street hawkers to stop setting up food stalls on pedestrian walkways and roadside pavements because they are damaging the infrastructure.

"This is actually considered vandalism. Most people are unaware that their actions are damaging the infrastructure and we will have to waste more taxpayers' money for repairs.

"Just because it is convenient to do business from the five foot way or pavement does not mean it is right," he said.

Teng said most food traders also wash their dishes, among others, contributing to excess water flowing onto the pavement or road, which in turn damages the infrastructure in the long run.

Teng inspecting works at Lorong Gopeng in Klang town. The old pavement material was dug up and reused to save cost so that more areas around town can be refurbished.