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1.45 HEKAT
luas kawasan projek terbangkalai

20 METER
jarak projek terbangkalai dengan perumahan penduduk



Tinjauan di sekitar tapak projek mendapati tiada kerja pembinaan dijalankan, malah struktur projek dilihat terhenti di tingkat empat.

Projek terbiar bimbangkan penduduk

• Empat bulan terhenti, lokasi terbangkalai dikhuatiri biak nyamuk

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Hampir empat bulan kerja pembinaan projek kediaman mewah di Jalan Melawati, Taman Melawati, di sini terhenti, menetuskan tanda tanya dan kebingungan dalam kalangan penduduk sekitar.

Penduduk mendakwa, projek itu terhenti sekitar September lalu, dipercaya kerana pemaju berdepan masalah kewangan yang turut memandarkan situs kerja.

"Malah, penduduk juga ke pejabat jualan bersebelahan tapak projek, tetapi pekerja di situ turut tutup mulut," katanya.

Ondara masih lagi kesilauan

Ditambahnya, projek berbangunan kediaman lebih 20 tingkat itu dibina di kawasan setiap kira-kira 1.45 hektar yang dahulu adalah sebuah rumah kelab, Century Paradise Country Club atau KK Club.

Lokasi projek itu kurang 30 meter dari lahan masuk ke taman perumahan Zon C, Taman Melawati.

Razman berkata, mendapati tiada kerja pembinaan dijalankan, malah struktur projek dilihat ter-

heni di tingkat empat.

Pengerusi Persatuan Penduduk Taman Melawati, Razman Hakimi Abdullah, berkata penduduk pernali cuba inculpatkan penjelasan daripada pemaju, namun gagal.

"Kami ada menghubungi pihak pengurusan projek dan pemaju, mereka ada maklum balas dia pada masa tu.

"Malah, penduduk juga ke pejabat jualan bersebelahan tapak projek, tetapi pekerja di situ turut tutup mulut," katanya.

Kawasan perumahan di sini antara lokasi panas dengan. Jika projek terbangkalai, kita khuatir ia akan menambah jumlah sarang pembiakan nyamuk aedes.

"Selain itu, ia boleh mengganggu aktiviti warga kawasan itu disebabkan pendatang asing tanpa izin atau menjahit tempat penangkap dedah melepaskan gian kerana terdapat beberapa pagar yang robuh," katanya.

Katanya, perkara itu sudah dimaklumkan kepada Majlis Perbandaran Ampang Jaya (MPAJ) untuk tinjauan lanjut termasuk membuat pemantauan di kawasan projek berkenaan.

"MPAJ ada beri maklum balas kepada kami dan sedang menunggu tindakan pemaju berkenaan. Kita harap MPAJ pantau kawasan projek bagi memastikan masalah yang dikhawatir ini dapat dielakkan," katanya.



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KAMPUNG PANDAN - Generasi muda yang mendiami Kampung Pandan berpeluang mengenali sejarah kampung itu pada majlis Sambutan Jubli Emas Kampung Pandan Dalam, kelmarin.

Adun Chempaka, Datuk Iskandar A Samad berkata, peluang itu diberikan berikutan dipercayai ramai generasi muda di kawasan itu tidak mengenali sejarah kampung tersebut.

"Pada majlis ini kita juga mengiktiraf individu yang banyak berjasa di Kampung Pandan ini. Kita mahu jasa mereka yang masih hidup ini diiktiraf, diharga dan dikenang."

"Selain itu kita inahu mewujudkan semangat 'kekitaan' di antara penduduk. Kalau dahulu orang masuk ke kampung ini kena ber 'salam' kepada masjid dan ketua kampung, kini sudah tiada," katanya selepas merasmikan majlis berkenaan.

Menurutnya, justeru nazir masjid dan ketua kampung perlu memainkan peranan untuk meningkatkan dan mengembalikan semangat 'kekitaan' dan tidak sekadar duduk

di pejabat sahaja.

"Kita tidak mahu penduduk hidup dengan mementingkan diri sendiri dan mereka perlu hidup dalam masyarakat dengan mengamalkan sikap bekerjasama serta merapatkan tali silaturahim," katanya.

"Penduduk di Kampung Pandan berbeza bangsa dan warganegara jadi mereka harus bincang berkaitan masa depan kampung ini. Apakah jenis kampung mereka mahu serta penambahbaikan yang bagaimana," katanya.

Dalam pada itu, sambutan Jubli Emas selama dua hari itu dianjurkan dengan kerjasama Pusat Khidmat Masyarakat Dun Chempaka, Jawatankuasa Kemajuan dan Keselamatan Kampung (JKKK) Kampung Pandan Dalam dan Masjid Nurul Hidayah Kg Pandan Dalam.

Pelbagai aktiviti diadakan antara, perarakan berkuda, pakaian tradisional, persembahan teater sejarah Kampung Pandan Dalam, bicara santai veteran Kampung Pandan, sukan rakyat dan ceramah agama.



Iskandar bersama sebahagian penduduk Kampung Pandan pada Majlis Perasmian Jubli Emas Kampung Pandan Dalam.



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Bahan binaan terbang melayang

Penduduk Ampang gesa pihak berkuasa pantau aspek keselamatan tapak projek pembinaan

AMPANG - Penduduk di perumahan di sini, meminta agensi yang bertanggungjawab meningkatkan pemantauan aspek keselamatan terhadap kerja pembinaan bangunan yang sedang dalam pembinaan di kawasan berhampiran.

Hal itu berikutan penduduk di kawasan itu mendakwa diancam besi, batu dan kayu yang dipercayai terjatuh daripada bangunan yang sedang dalam pembinaan terabit.

Seorang penduduk, Teoh Ai Eng berkata, objek berkenaan boleh menghempap penduduk yang melakukan aktiviti di laman rumah.

"Kami risau kalau tiba-tiba ada benda jatuh menghempap kepala sebab kami selalu melakukti aktiviti di hadapan

rumah.

"Saya juga pernah jumpai beberapa bahan binaan dipercayai terjatuh ke dalam laman rumah saya, namun tak kena kepada saya atau keluarga hingga boleh menyebabkan kecederaan," katanya.

Seorang lagi penduduk yang hanya mahu dikenali sebagai Puteri Norazizah, 70, berkata cucunya turut mendakwa ada batu terjatuh ketika berjalan kaki pulang ke rumah bersama pembantu rumah.

"Batu itu hampir terkena mereka, mereka terus berlari balik ke rumah. Saya harap semua semua pihak dapat menangani perkara ini dengan segera," katanya.

Seorang warga emas

Cheng Joo Liew, 79, berkata penduduk di kawasan itu juga berhadapan dengan isu habuk dan debu yang masuk kawasan rumah.

"Kami kerap kali terpaksa mencuci lantai rumah kerana berhabuk selain masalah kesihatan dan selalu batuk."

"Selain itu, saya juga terpaksa berhadapan dengan bunyi bising dari tapak projek pada waktu malam, ia juga boleh mengganggu ketenteraman awam penduduk di sini," katanya.

Sementara itu, Timbalan Ketua Biro Perkhidmatan dan Aduan Awam Gerakan Ben Liew Pok Boon berkata, pihaknya akan menghantar surat kepada pihak berkuasa tempatan (PBT) dan agensi yang bertanggungjawab un-



Ben Liew (kanan) menunjukkan bahan binaan dipercayai terjatuh sehingga menimbulkan keresahan penduduk.

tuk memantau isu yang dibangkitkan oleh penduduk.

"Pemantauan daripada

agenzi berkenaan di tapak projek serta berhampiran

dilaksanakan segera demi

kesejahteraan penduduk di sini," katanya.



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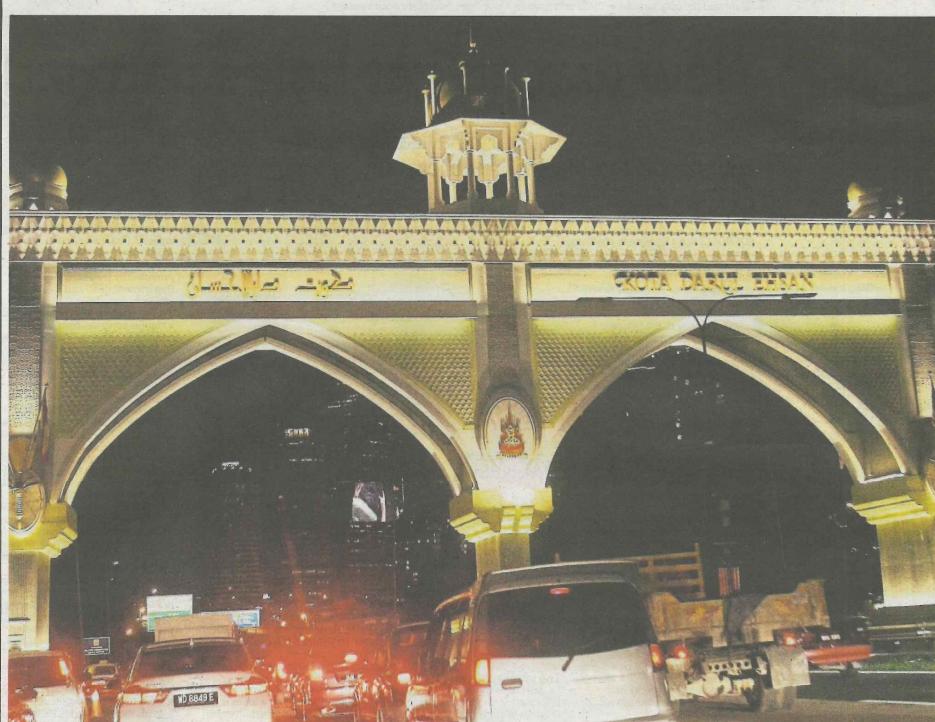
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Shimmering beauty

The Kota Darul Ehsan arch all lit up at night. The landmark structure on the Federal Highway underwent a RM12mil makeover by the Selangor state government and Public Works Department. >4 — SHAARI CHE MAT/The Star

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Fahmi said the collaboration with Waze is good as it leverages on reports done by users.

New way to get holes patched

Motorists can effectively use navigation apps to highlight potholes and channel the information to local councils to get problem fixed

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POTHOLEs are a menace to road users.

It is even more dangerous for a motorcyclist to ride through it.

A deep pothole can cause severe damage to the motorbike and even injure the rider.

Motorists say that whenever they come across a pothole and file a complaint, it is common to get responses like "it is not our jurisdiction" or "we will attend to the problem" but no concrete action is taken to get them fixed.

To address the pothole problem in Selangor, the state government turned to traffic and navigation application, Waze, to help motorists alert other road users on the location of potholes.

Last year in the Selangor budget, Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali said the plan was possible through a collaboration signed between local councils and Google Asia Pacific through the Waze Connected Citizen Programme.

Doubting the system

Reports by *StarMetro* on this plan received mixed reactions.

Some thought it was a good idea while others felt no action would be taken against the reports made.

Facebook user Francis Tan said flagging potholes would be a waste of time unless there were follow-ups to monitor the cavity and ensure the potholes did not re-surface.

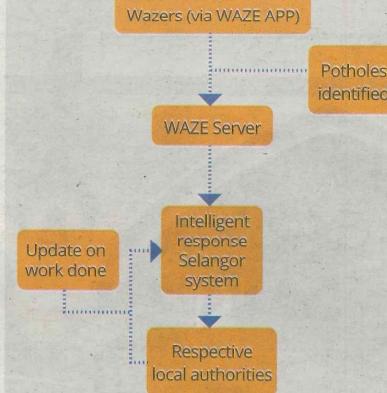
He said potholes often get bigger due to shoddy work and the use of cheap materials.

Faris Farid agreed with Tan on the need for follow-up or the act of flagging potholes would be a waste of time.

Another Facebook user Surya

Ganesh, on the other hand, said the

Flow of information from Waze



flagging of potholes by motorists was an effective way to get officials to identify and check on the problem areas.

The intelligent system

So, how does this work?

Information on potholes reported through Waze is channelled to a specific local council.

The local council then has five days to fix the problem.

A system, called Intelligent Response Selangor (IRS) by the Smart Selangor Delivery Unit (SSDU) under the Menteri Besar Incorporated Selangor, tracks the workflow of local councils, down to

the officer in charge.

SSDU deputy programme director Dr Fahmi Ngah described the collaboration with Waze as good because it leveraged on reports submitted by Waze users.

"In Selangor, we have around 2.5 million Wazers and a lot of them are concentrated in urban areas like Petaling Jaya and Subang Jaya. Looking at the numbers today, it is certainly the biggest reporting channel for potholes."

"By leveraging on that, you have existing users who will report incidents and our challenge is to extract that data from Waze in an automated and regular manner,"

process it and pass it to the local council and subsequently, the person who is in charge of the patching job," he said.

The system has a database on roads (and the road owners) as provided by the Public Works Department (JKR) and local councils.

The system is then able to match a complaint to the road owner, which can either be the local council or JKR.

To avoid repeated reports, the system tracks complaints and sends information to the specific road owner.

It becomes a legitimate report once it receives five reports have been received.

"The system also condenses reports on potholes to the actual pothole itself, and if a report is made along the same road, even if it is a few metres different," said Fahmi.

For now, it is a one-way communication as the complainant does not get a response.

"We are looking at replying to the users via their inbox once the complaint has been vouched for by other users and is being attended to. We are also looking at opening a portal on locations of patched potholes as reported by Wazers," he said.

Seven local councils, mostly in urban areas, were roped in when the system was introduced.

In September, 12 local councils started using the system.

With the IRS system, Fahmi said local councils that were efficient in patching up potholes got better at their service, while those who were slacking before showed improvements in services rendered to the public.

Fahmi said the intention was to make sure local councils got their service level agreement (SLA) to

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Motorists can report potholes through Waze.



Feedback on local council's quick action on potholes reported are shared on social media.



Complaints are tracked and apart from potholes, the unit also monitors Smart Selangor Buses, waste management contractors in three councils as well as the Smart Selangor WiFi.

the promised SLA.

Feedback on the efficiency of each local authority involved is reported to the State Economic Planning Committee (UPEN), which then updates the Menteri Besar on a regular basis.

Fahmi said local councils felt they were recognised for their hard work upon giving immediate attention to fixing a pothole.

From January to November, the system has tracked 16,000 complaints to the local councils involved.

"There are more complaints in urban areas and we are looking at the causes of these potholes — how long the repairs lasted or whether the roads were being overused," he said.

"We are trying to merge the data that we get from Waze on roads that have been patched and how often they are patched as well as traffic information. Through this information, we can then understand the root of the problem."

Aside from local councils, he said JKRR would also come on board in December, after SSDU customised JKRR's needs to the system.

SSDU is also getting the Malaysian Highway Authority on board.

Through Waze, SSDU has a map of potholes that have been patched or are being patched. With JKRR on board, an X-ray data of roads will be made available.

"So, we will be able to look at cross sections of the road. There



The app is now able to send information on potholes reported by motorists to local councils through a collaboration between local councils and Google Asia Pacific through the Waze Connected Citizen Program.

are three layers and JKRR will be able to predict the life of each layer with the system.

"This will allow JKRR to decide if they should patch up potholes or redo the road. This will be good for all road users in Selangor," he said.

Local councils give feedback on services

PETALING Jaya City Council corporate communication assistant director Abdul Hakim Khruddin said the Intelligent Response Selangor (IRS) system using GPS location makes it easier to track potholes.

"It is a one-way communication between the public and Waze.

Hakim said the public should be educated on how to use the available service.

The Shah Alam City Council (MBSA) looks at the IRS as an addition to its iRespon system for public complaints.

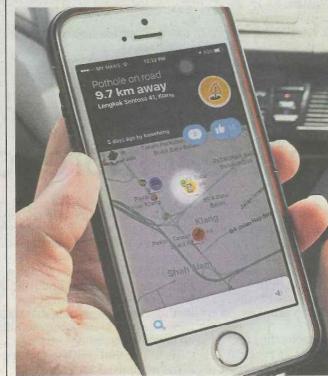
MBSA corporate communications head Shahrin Ahmad said the system could channel public complaints and at the same time, improve MBSA's delivery system.

He added that the city council's "road gang" were in charge of responding to road repairs as soon as potholes were reported.

The Subang Jaya Municipal Council also finds that the IRS provides detailed information on potholes and allows councils to update IRS while repair works are ongoing.

Its corporate and strategic management department deputy director Afzalizal Abdul Rashid said the quick work done to repair potholes had received recognition from the public on social media.

He said it would be good if the IRS system could be used to take on other issues like faulty street lights and floods.



Motorists can check if others have reported potholes along roads they use and only if a report receives vouchers would it be treated as a legitimate complaint before the information is sent to the respective local council.



The traffic control room gets data about road conditions from various sources.



SSDU staff tracking potholes and other issues.

**ROAD CLOSURE**

- A 1.7km stretch of Jalan Desa at the former Desa Water Park will be closed to traffic from today until Nov 21, 2022, to facilitate Sungai Buloh-Serdang-Putrajaya MRT Project. It will affect the traffic from Kuala Lumpur-Seremban highway heading to Taman Desa. Motorist are advised to use Jalan Desa Bakti as an alternative.

- About 450m of the right-most lane of Jalan Raya Satu from Dataran Mutara until Jalan Raya Tiga in front of Tenaga Mahir Driving School (both bound) is closed until Dec 31, from 9.30am until 4.30 pm and from 10pm until 5am, to facilitate piloting of underground utilities at Jalan Raya Satu until Jalan Raya Tiga. One lane will be open. For details, visit www.mymrt.com.my or www.mymrt-underground.com.my, Twitter @MRTMalaysia or @MRTUnderground, Facebook @MRTMalaysia or @MRTUnderground or call 1-800-82-5868.

FREE TALK

Dr Sunil Kotari will be giving a free talk and screenings on legendary dancer Ram Gopal at Indian Cultural centre tomorrow, in Brickfields, Kuala Lumpur at 7.30pm.

HEALTH CARNIVAL

In an effort to raise awareness about the importance of a healthy lifestyle, Sri Kota Specialist Medical Centre (Sri Kota) will hold the Kuala Selangor Health Carnival 2017 on Saturday, from 9am to 3pm, at SJK (C) Khai Tee, Pasir Penambang, Kuala Selangor. Participants will receive a special gift during the health talks. There will also be free health screening, including eye check, breast examination, fitness test, BMI, glucose test and blood pressure test. For details, call 03-3377 7799 (Ext 7313 / 7335 / 7356).

BOOT AND BAKE SALE

There will be a charity 'Boot and Bake Sale' by We Love We Care We Share on Dec 3, at the PJ Trade Centre Carpark, from 9am to 5pm. The event aims to raise funds for Pusat Kebajikan Kanak-kanak Kajang. Registration is open for vendors with a minimum fee of RM100. For details, visit www.facebook.com/wlwcvwsCarboot/

BLUE WALK

Diabetes Malaysia's Selangor branch in collaboration with KPJ Klang Specialist Hospital are organising the Blue Walk on Sunday, from 7.30am onwards. The 2.4km fun walk flags off at the hospital at Persiaran Rajawali and ends at Aeon Bukit Raja. Fees are RM20 per adult and RM10 per child. For details and registration, call 03-3377 7888 (ext 7958/ 7959) or email marketing@kpjklang.com.

FREE EYE CHECK

In conjunction with World Sight Day, EyeMedic Vision Centre is offering free eye examinations for the public until Nov 30. The eye check includes refraction, screening for cataract, glaucoma, dry eye and diabetic eye diseases using advanced retinal imaging technology. EyeMedic Vision Centre is located at No.4, Level 1, Consultant Block, KPJ Selangor Specialist Centre, Section 20, Shah Alam. For details, call 03-5548 6688.

SPCA GIFTS

Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) Selangor is selling its 2018 diaries and calendars of its dogs and cats, which will make great festive gifts for family and friends. Each calendar is priced at RM25 while it is RM35 per diary when purchased at SPCA office or events, with additional charges if ordered online and delivered via courier. For details, call 03-4256 5312 or email gifts@spca.org.my.