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RESPASSES AND SLOPE FAILURES

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# Courts should take tougher stand against unscrupulous developers

MALAYSIA has one of the highest number of slope failures in the region.

Most of these are caused by apid development works and onstruction activities of property developers.

As a developer with years of xperience, when there is potenal slope failure, we usually take ne following main measures:

**GEOTECHNICAL** consultants re appointed to advise on the roper course of action.

Earthwork contractors are roperly vetted for their past exerience before they are apointed.

**A QUALIFIED** architect is apointed as the supervising offier for the whole development to nsure that the contractor aderes strictly to the terms of the ontract.

**QUALIFIED** civil and structural ngineers are appointed to adise during the course of the contruction.

**IN** addition to the external conultants, the developer has its wn internal team to ensure that here is no breach of the conditions imposed by the local auhorities.

**WE** monitor the contractor losely to ensure that the works re done properly.

If the contractor trespasses or arries out works beyond his greed scope of work, we will immediately know during the regular site meetings.

Should there be any trespass of the neighbouring land or breach of any terms by the contractor; immediate action will be taken as follows:

**REPRIMAND** the contractor.

**IF** the contractor persists with the trespass, we send a notice of suspension of works and in serious cases, terminate the contractor's works.

**IN** view of the potential claims by the neighbour, we will also withhold payment of any balance sum due to the contractor.

As a matter of top priority, we always ensure that our contractor does not trespass or cause any damage to the neighbour's land.

This is because the neighbour may take an injunction to stop our works which will then have serious consequences.

Needless to say, contractors invariably take instructions from the developer, and in view of this, the courts usually hold developers to be responsible for the trespass.

Some developers are motivated by greed and have no qualms trespassing on neighbouring land.

To be an effective deterrent, courts should impose heavy penalties on developers who give a bad name to the industry.

Usually the judge imposes only light penalties and this makes it worthwhile for developers to commit such offences again as they end up making substantial profits even after paying the penalties.

The time has come for developers to respect the lawful rights of the neighbours and ensure that no damage is caused as a result of the development, especially, where there is a high risk of slope failure.

If the courts take a tough stand against such unscrupulous developers, I am sure the number of illegal trespasses and slope failures will be reduced considerably.

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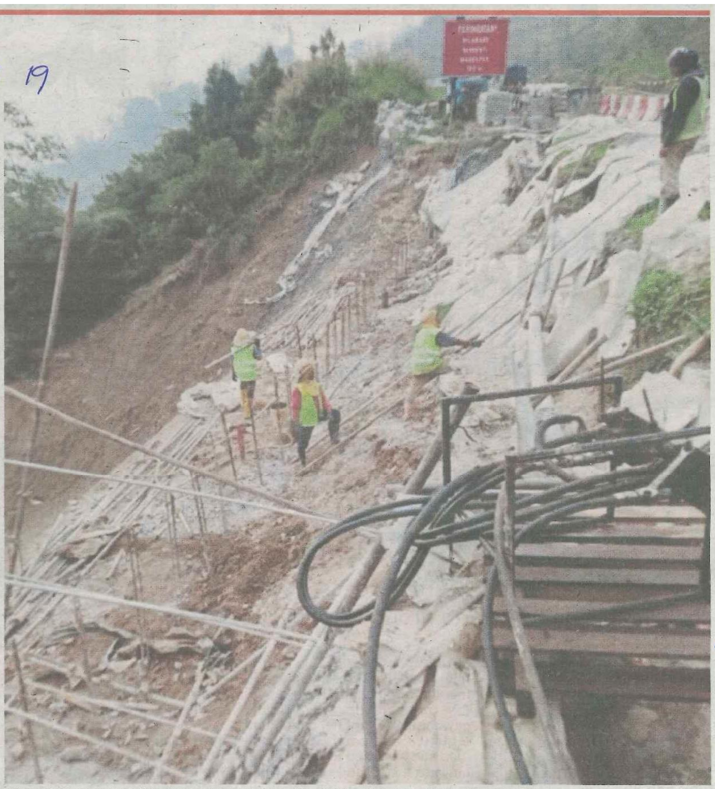

*Slope failure occurs because unscrupulous developers ignore safety rules.* FILE PIC

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# 'Sampai bila perlu pertaruh nyawa'

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*Jalan di Kampung Lombong rosak, bahayakan pengguna*

NUR FARHANA ABDUL MANAN

SHAH ALAM

Penduduk Kampung Lombong Seksyen 29 di sini mendesak Menteri Besar Selangor, Amirudin Shari turun padang melihat sendiri jalan utama kampung berkenaan yang didakwa rosak teruk dan berlubang besar sehingga membahayakan pengguna jalan raya.

Penduduk, Ahmad Ismadi Omar, 45, menggambarkan kerosakan jalan dengan lubang sebesar 'kawah' seperti keadaan terkena bom dan lebih membahayakan apabila pengguna terpaksa beralah dengan lori hantu yang turut menggunakan laluan sama dipercayai ke kawasan pembinaan.

Menurutnya, pernah beberapa kali penunggang motosikal terhumban ke permukaan jalan pada waktu malam kerana tidak perasan kewujudan lubang di tengah laluan.

"MB (Menteri Besar) tolonglah bantu kami di sini percepatkan buka jalan yang baharu dibina itu. Sekarang ini kami pertaruh nyawa setiap hari lalui satu-satunya jalan keluar masuk kampung.

Keadaan jalan di Kampung Lombong Seksyen 29, Shah Alam yang rosak teruk dan mengundang bahaya kepada pengguna.

"Beberapa hari lepas, ada tayar kereta bocor terlanggar lubang yang dalam dan tajam pada waktu malam. Laluan utama ini gelap, memang tak nampak lubang sebesar kawah yang merata-rata di atas jalan," katanya ketika ditemui di sini semalam.

Jalan tersebut merupakan satu-satunya laluan penduduk Kampung Lombong ke Puchong, Saujana Putra, Kuala Langat, Klang atau ke Shah Alam.

Walaupun terdapat jalan baharu yang dibina bersebelahan laluan sedia ada namun sehingga kini ia masih belum dibuka dan penduduk juga tidak mengetahui bila jalan tersebut dapat beroperasi.

Seorang lagi penduduk, Aini Juwita Mat Deris, 33, berkata, penunggang motosikal khususnya terpaksa mempertaruhkan nyawa mereka melalui jalan itu setiap hari kerana tiada pilihan lain.

"Selain perlu hadap jalan rosak, kami geram terpaksa pula beralah dengan lori yang 'makan jalan' tak mempedulikan kenderaan kecil ketika melalui jalan itu.

"Hanya sekali saja laluan ini lengang, langsung tiada lori dan kenderaan berat, itu pun bila anggota penguat kuasa berkumpul di laluan itu menyebabkan lori-lori besar membawa muatan tanah dan pasir tidak masuk ke jalan berkenaan," katanya.