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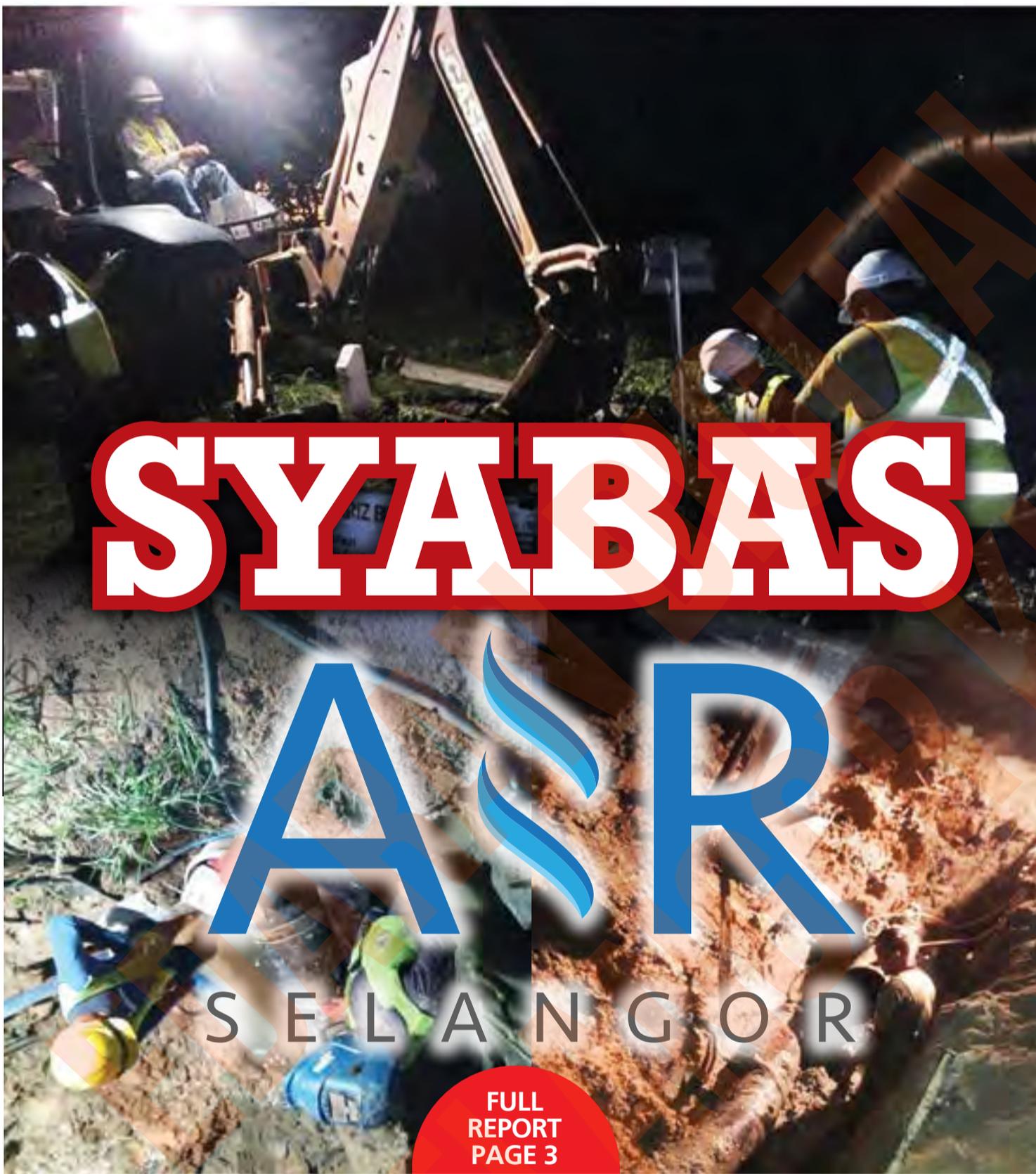
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SHAH ALAM - "Food packages containing liquid nitrogen must be labelled accordingly to prevent consumers from getting confused," said the Federation of Malaysian Consumers Association Deputy President Mohd Yusof Abdul Rahman.

He said there is no problem if food manufacturers and operators handle the products the correct way.

"The substance is not dangerous if manufacturers, operators and consumers handle the product correctly.

"There must be a label on the food packaging showing the appropriate way of using it, and to prevent consumers from getting confused," he said when contacted.

Label food packages containing nitrogen

Yusof said the label must indicate the correct way to handle a product containing liquid nitrogen.

"It would be better if the food seller can show the proper way to use it, so that it will not pose a threat to consumers," he said.

The media had previously reported a case where a teenager's hand was injured, purportedly after eating the 'Dragon Breath'

biscuit that contains liquid nitrogen.

Malaysian Director General of Health Datuk Noor Hisham Abdullah said that manufacturers and operators must ensure that the substance has fully evaporated before selling the food to avoid burns and frostbite.

On December 21, Consumers Association of Penang urged for

a ban on the use of the said substance in food, to protect consumers, especially children.

Consumers can lodge reports to the Health Ministry through the nearest District Health Offices or State Health Department. They can also lodge reports online at the Food Quality and Safety Division's website at <http://fsq.moh.gov.my> or its Facebook account.



PAS predicts GE14 in May 2017

SHAH ALAM - PAS predicts that the 14th General Election (GE14) will be held in May 2017, based on information received from government agencies, as well as other factors.

PAS Vice President Dato' Iskandar Samad said they came to the conclusion based on the implementation of the federal government's new projects, which is usually done during election campaign period.

He said the Election Commission (EC) has also issued the briefing schedule for election workers.

"The Chinese community will be celebrating Chinese New Year at the end of January and the festive atmosphere will continue into February.

"BN will surely use this celebration period as a time to campaign and announce 'sweeteners' for the rakyat.

"Then, Parliament will suddenly be dissolved at the end of March or in April so that a general election can be held within 60 days," said Iskandar in a statement.

According to him, another consideration to hold an election in the near future is the weakening ringgit and Umno's internal problems which may increase in severity.

As for PAS, Iskandar believes that the party's election machinery is one of the strongest in the opposition.

According to him, PAS has an advantage in Kelantan, being the incumbent; and it also has a lot of seats in Kedah, Terengganu and Selangor.

"PAS," he said, "has a big chance of taking over Kedah and Terengganu.

"We need to be prepared for a snap general election. Outstanding issues must be resolved and all preparations must be completed.

"This is the best chance to either topple BN or expand control in other states," he said.



GLC directors need to have integrity

SHAH ALAM - The Federal Government has to review all criteria used to appoint government-linked company directors to ensure that they have integrity and are not just mere political appointments.

Transparency International Malaysia President Datuk Akhbar Satar said that those appointed have to be skilled, dedicated, knowledgeable and experienced in their own fields and most importantly, have integrity.



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He said directors found to be involved in scandals or failed to separate their work duties have to be removed from their positions immediately.

"Chosen candidates have to be examined carefully by the Malaysian

Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC)," he said in a statement while commenting on a RM2 billion embezzlement case involving a government department

and a GLC in the Auditor-General's report.

"Stern action has to be taken against those who violate the rakyat's trust," he said.

He said the money invested in GLCs belong to taxpayers and should not be misused.

Regarding the embezzlement, Akhbar said, "three lines of defense" against embezzlement - management control, risk management and monitoring as well as internal audits - used by many GLCs failed because of little monitoring by their board of directors.

"The state government also needs to review all criteria in appointing the directors of their companies," he said.

New hope for Malaysia

SHAH ALAM - The KEADILAN Youth Wing supports the initiative by the youth group Demi Malaysia that will organise the Kongres Anak Muda Malaysia (KAMM2017) from February 17 till February 19, 2017.

KEADILAN Youth Chief Nik Nazmi Nik Ahmad said that the effort is timely seeing as how Malaysia requires a strong third force in the current political situation.

He said the initiative is a positive effort when compared to the emergence of groups that have led youth astray

like the Red Shirts under the leadership of Datuk Seri Jamal Md Yunos.

"KEADILAN Youth stands ready to assist the Demi Malaysia group if needed as youth is very important to everyone.

"In the current political situation where the ruling party is hit by scandals and confidence crises, a strong presence of youth can be a factor in returning the country's direction to the right path," he said in a statement.

Nik Nazmi said the KAMM2017 initiative can be seen as a manifes-



tation of youth's growing concern regarding the political situation faced by the country.

"We hope all parties, including the government, especially the Youth and Sports Ministry, will give their full support and not view it as negative.

"KEADILAN Youth believes such youth efforts encompasses and will overcome whatever political sentiment, and its results will benefit the nation's development," he said.



Air Selangor ensures consumers' welfare

BY NORHAYATI UMOR

SHAH ALAM - Dato' Menteri Besar, Dato' Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali thanked all Air Selangor staff who worked tirelessly to ensure that water supply in Selangor was restored ahead of schedule.

He also voiced his appreciation when water supply to all affected areas was resumed quickly.

He said the restoration of water supply to all affected areas in Selangor and Federal Territory of Kuala Lumpur was successfully implemented in three days compared to an early estimate of six days.

"Based on the report received at 7 am, the status of restoration of water supply in all areas is 100% for Zone 1 and 99.5% for Zone 2.

"I congratulate all Air Selangor staff who worked tirelessly throughout the entire operation and sped up the restoration of water supply to all affected areas," he said in a statement on December 22.

Mohamed Azmin said the State Government will continue to monitor the situation to ensure adequate clean water supply for users in the Klang Valley.

"The comfort of consumers is the State Government's priority, especially during celebrations and school holidays," he said.

At the same time, he also wished a Merry Christmas and a Happy Winter Solstice to those who celebrated those festivals.

"May both celebrations bring all Selangor citizens closer to one another," he said.



Free water for the rakyat

SHAH ALAM - Giving 20 cubic metres of free water to citizens is not the State Government's political bribe to solicit votes, said BBC Chairman Ng Suee Lim.

On the contrary, he said it is more of a requirement, in line with the state's principles brought about by Pakatan's administration of Selangor.

"Umno has nothing but an old issue with which to attack the State Government that has prioritised its citizens from the beginning.

"The claim that free water is a bribe does not make sense as this a basic requirement of all rakyat," he said when contacted by SelangorKini.

He was commenting on a pro-Umno portal that described the

free water scheme as the 'father of all political bribes' in response to Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad's statement that Bantuan Rakyat 1 Malaysia (BR1M) is a bribe.

The State Government provides 20 cubic metres of free clean water, equivalent to 20,000 litres or 5,680 gallons, to its citizens for free every month.

This benefit is for everyone, regardless of economic status, race or political affiliation. As long as one stays in Selangor, one is entitled to the free water, every month.

The implementation of such a policy was created as an initiative to ease the burden on the rakyat, especially low-income earners, due to the high cost of living and inflation rate.

Customs foil attempt to smuggle 37 containers

PORT KLANG - An attempt to smuggle 37 containers was successfully foiled by the Royal Malaysian Customs Department at Bukit Gombak Jetty, Carey Island, on December 23.

Customs Deputy Director-General (Customs and GST) Datuk Subromaniam Tholasy said the raid was conducted based on information regarding the ship named 'Prelude Portsmouth' that was at the

jetty at 2.30 pm.

Based on the information, a team of Marine Customs officers and personnel who were conducting patrols along the coast made a thorough inspection of the ship.

"Based on the inspection of five of the 37 containers, the raiding team found undeclared cigarettes and alcohol worth RM10.5 million.

"The estimated tax value is around RM60 million and

RM80 million and everything has been taken to the Marine Base for further action," he said in a BH Online report.

He added that the investigation will be conducted according to Section 135 (1)(e) of the 1967 Customs Act for transporting and handling undeclared items.

"We are also trying to locate the ship's captain and an individual who managed to evade the raid," he said.



Stop the spread of dengue



BY NORHAYATI UMOR

SHAH ALAM – The State Government has approved an additional RM600,000 to 12 local municipalities in an effort to combat dengue.

Health, Welfare, Women and Family Development Exco Dr Daroyah Alwi said the allocation is specifically to improve control and prevention efforts such as fogging and larvasiding through appointed Pest Controller Operators.

“According to statistics, the latest accumulative total of registered dengue cases in 2016, on December 16, is 50,157 cases compared to 60,711 for the same period in 2015.

“This is a reduction of 10,554 cases or a drop of 17.4%, while the accumulative death rate has dropped from 122 in 2015 to 77 cases this year, a remarkable 33.5%

reduction,” she said in a statement.

Dr Daroyah said the State Government cannot remain silent and complacent although Selangor has managed to successfully control the spread of dengue with the second lowest rate of 0.15% compared to other states.

She also hoped that Selangor will register a drop in cases next year as various plans that have been implemented bore results.

“The initiative of establishing the Dengue Special Action Unit has had a positive effect on our efforts to combat the spread of dengue and to destroy hotspots that have more than 100 day infections.

“Their task is specifically to monitor, conduct control and prevention activities and also to give advice to residents to ensure their surroundings are free from Aedes,” she said.

RM213,000 for churches in Selangor

SUBANG JAYA - The State Government has allocated a total of RM213,000 for churches in Selangor to fund communal and religious activities.

The money was presented by Tourism, Environment, Green Technology and Consumer Affairs Exco Elizabeth Wong who represented Dato' Menteri Besar, Dato' Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali at the Selangor State Level Christmas Day Celebration 2016 at Dataran Summit USJ on December 18.

Meanwhile, the celebrations by the Christian community, which had started at 6 pm, was lively with over 3,000 visitors who started arriving since afternoon.

Besides entertainment by the Selangor Philharmonic Orchestra, the main attraction of the event was the variety of food prepared for the visitors.

Among the interesting and popular dishes, which attracted the visitors of various races and communities, were Singapore bihun, kebab, cendol, fried kuew teow and almost fifteen other delicacies.



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Donations for Rohingya

SHAH ALAM – The public is urged to contribute to the Selangor Humanitarian

Fund (SHF) before the Flotilla Rohingya ship carrying food aid, medicine and clothes leaves for Myanmar on January 10, 2017.

SHF Chairman Dato' Dr Ahmad Yunus Hairi said the humanitarian aid to Arakan requires a high cost, including the ship's rental.

“Just to rent a ship costs RM40,000, and that does not include the cost for the donations,” He said during a speech at the ‘Himpunan Peduli Ummah: Pray 4 Rohingya’ at Merdeka Square on December 23.

He said the aid was really necessary to help the Rohingya who are facing increased pressure fol-



lowing the cruelty and oppression against them.

He said the SHF has received support from many parties, including artistes who have performed without any fees.

The gathering saw famous celebrities like Nowseeheart group and also actress Lisdawati perform-

ing to gather donations to make the ‘Food Flotilla for Myanmar’ aid mission a success.

Those who are interested to donate can bank in their donations to the following Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad account (12038010119069) under the name SHF.



EPF: Members' savings gone in 3-5 years

SHAH ALAM - The average EPF member who reaches retirement age will spend all his savings in 3-5 years while the life expectancy of Malaysians has increased to 75 years old.

Kuala Lumpur EPF Retirement Advisory Service (RAS) Officer Nornisah Mohd Yusof said it is more worrying as there are cases of pensioners withdrawing 70% of their savings and spending all of it in less than 30 days, a situation that should not occur.

Nornisah advised the public, especially soon-to-be pensioners, to be smart in managing their finances and to plan their expenses care-

fully especially as they get older.

"For members who need clarification or advisory services, they can refer to our certified RAS officers at their nearest EPF branches.

"We provide advice and insights in helping members make the right decisions before withdrawing their EPF savings," she told BERNAMA.

"RAS officers also provide guidance on retirement fund management for members to earn a monthly income, ensure long-term sustainability and also the ability to support themselves after retirement," she said.

Nornisah explained that EPF

contributors need to have Basic Savings, which is a certain amount of money in Account 1 and defined by age, to enable them to have at least RM228,000 upon reaching 55 years old, in order to support their basic needs after retirement.

This amount is based on the minimum pension in the public sector, which is RM950 a month, for twenty years, from age 55 to 75, and based on the average life expectancy of Malaysians which is 75 years old.

She said that as of 2015, 65% of EPF members below 54 years old have less than RM50,000 in savings.

Amin said that this is the reason the state is building another two water treatment plants.

"We are building the Semenyih 2 and Labohan Dagang water treatment plants to increase water production to meet growing demands," he said.

Amin said that in the long run, the State Government aims to reach a water reserve margin of 15%.

"The reserve margin fluctuates depending on demand. When demand is high at certain times, the reserve level will fall," he told the Star Online.

Commenting on whether Selangor had produced treated water exceeding the capacity of current treatment plants, he said almost all plants are currently producing water beyond their capacities.

Selangor targets 15% water reserve margin

SHAH ALAM - Selangor's water reserve margin is approximately 4% and not negative as claimed, according to Infrastructure, Public Amenities, Agricultural Modernisation and Agro-Based Industries Exco Zaidy Abdul Talib.

Syabas Corporate Communications Head Amin Lin Abdullah agreed that Selangor's water margin is currently about 4%.



Gazette Pantai Remis as public beach



KUALA SELANGOR - The State Government is urged to gazette Pantai Remis, a beach that is around 2 kilometres long, as a public beach for recreational and tourism purposes.

Kuala Selangor District Council (MDKS) Yang Di Pertua Noraini Roslan said part of the beach has the status of forest reserve while another part is a river reserve.

She said that gazetting the beach would protect it for the public's benefit.

"We do not want Pantai Remis to suffer the same fate as some beaches that have been given to other parties.

"With a public beach reserve, it will be preserved for public use

and be enjoyed by the general public," she said.

Noraini had earlier launched a food court at the Pantai Remis Tourist Centre.

She said that efforts to develop Pantai Remis would generate economic opportunities in the surrounding areas, including the construction of seafood restaurants, chalets and homestays.

"However, we urge those interested to use the proper channels so that their businesses are not considered illegal.

"So we encourage them to refer to MDKS for all related dealings to ensure that their business is legal in the eyes of the law," she added.

No sabotage in resort demolition



SABAK BERNAM - There is no element of sabotage with regards to Sabak Bernam District Council's (MDSB) action to demolish the resort belonging to Sungai Besar Umno Chief Datuk Seri Jamal Md Yunus.

MDSB Yang Dipertua Azlinda Azman said the action was taken because the resort has no Certificate of Completion and Compliance.

"For your information, this has been prolonged since 2011 where consultants and MDSB have informed the owner, yet he refused to comply.

"Since the condition is not fulfilled, we took action by confis-

cating the property based on the standard process and existing laws," she said.

Commenting on Jamal's allegation that the demolition is politically driven, Azlinda described it as shallow, since MDSB has issued fines and warnings before this.

MDSB had sent a resort operation closure and demolition order, since the owner was running it without any valid license from the authority, as stipulated under the Bylaws 3(1) MDSB Hotel Bylaws 2013.

The notice also stated that Jamal had broken the law on Lot 13081, 13082 and 13083, Jalan Pantai Redang, Sekinchan.

Go #BebasPlastik in 2017!

BY MIKE TAN

SHAH ALAM - Are you ready for a plastic bag-free 2017? If you live in Selangor, then you should take note that the state is going to expand its no plastic-bag day from one day to seven days a week beginning January 1, 2017.

SelangorKini took the time to ask Tourism, Environment, Green Technology and Consumer Affairs Exco Elizabeth Wong a few questions relating to the campaign and also Selangor's green policies and initiatives.

SelangorKini: How is the response so far among retailers and public about the green initiatives, especially #bebasplastik?

Wong: We first launched this campaign seven years ago and according to state surveys, 71% of citizens in Selangor believe that 'No Plastic Bag' one day a week is not enough.

We need change, and we are committing to this change by making it a policy that is more relevant now than ever before. Retailers and public are all aware that the impact of plastic and polystyrene is enormous on our environment. They are a problem for the planet, and for the people of the planet.

SelangorKini: What are your hopes for the #bebasplastik campaign?

Wong: I hope people will co-

operate and comprehend the importance of going plastic-free, as various research studies have proven that the pervasive use of plastic materials is harming the environment at an alarming rate. Therefore, I implore all of us to commit to this paramount plastic-free cause for the sake of our people and our planet.

SelangorKini: What were the challenges faced to get the campaign implemented?

Wong: Changing someone's lifestyle is challenging because we don't all share commonality in terms of views and opinions, but there are some simple ways to cut down on the use of plastic, such as carrying reusable containers and shopping bags.

It's important to remember that this is a challenge, but a challenge we can all overcome. This is why we must continue to educate the public and spread awareness about the dangers of plastic and polystyrene.

SelangorKini: What is the important message that you wish to convey to the public through this campaign?

Wong: The responsibility to conserve and protect the environment lies in our hands.

Regardless of our backgrounds and social status, we must come together and strive to help secure a better future for our children and grandchildren.

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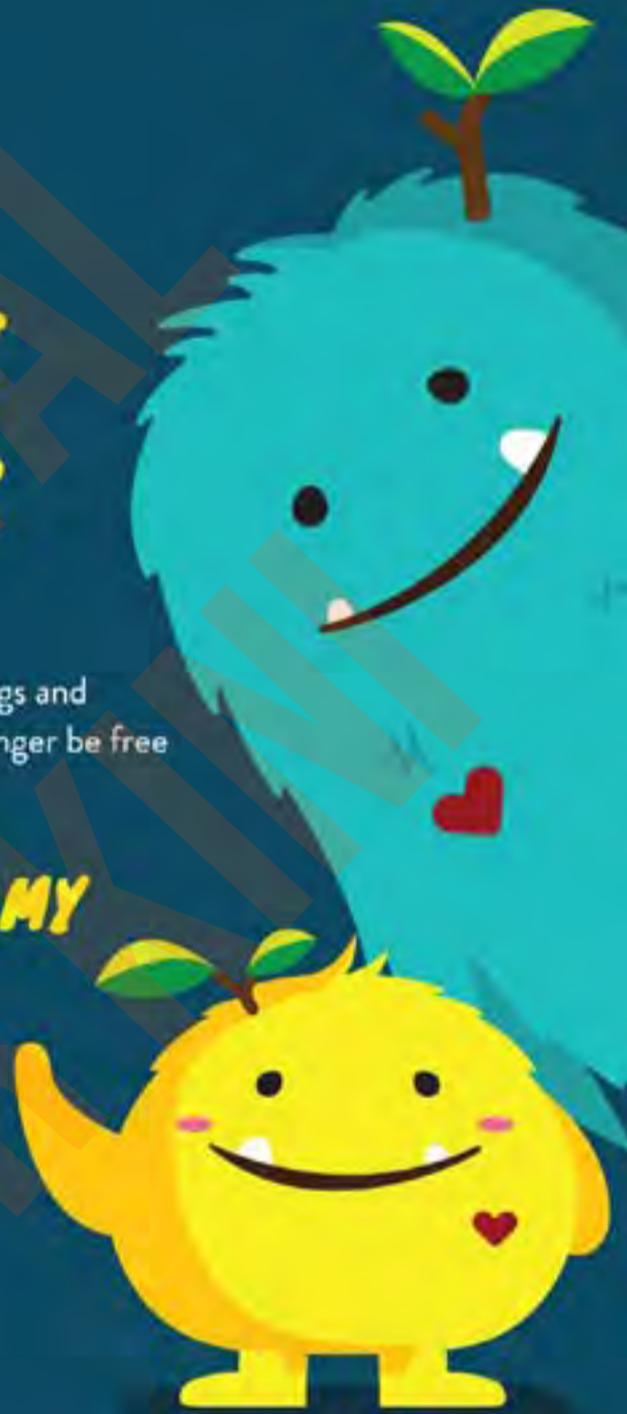
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ITEMS EXEMPTED FROM NO PLASTIC BAG USE



A. FOOD AND PLANTS

- Raw food such as fish, beef, chicken, pork, lamb and meat products
- Food for animal or human consumption – example: sweets, pet food or food in a container that is not secure enough to prevent leakage during handling
- Unwrapped loose seeds
- Flowers
- Vegetables with soil such as potatoes, roots and ginger

B. PRODUCTS

- Prescription drugs
- Poisonous substances



C. LIVE FISH AND AQUATIC CREATURES



Polystyrene and plastic bags banned in 2017

BY ERMIZI MUHAMAD

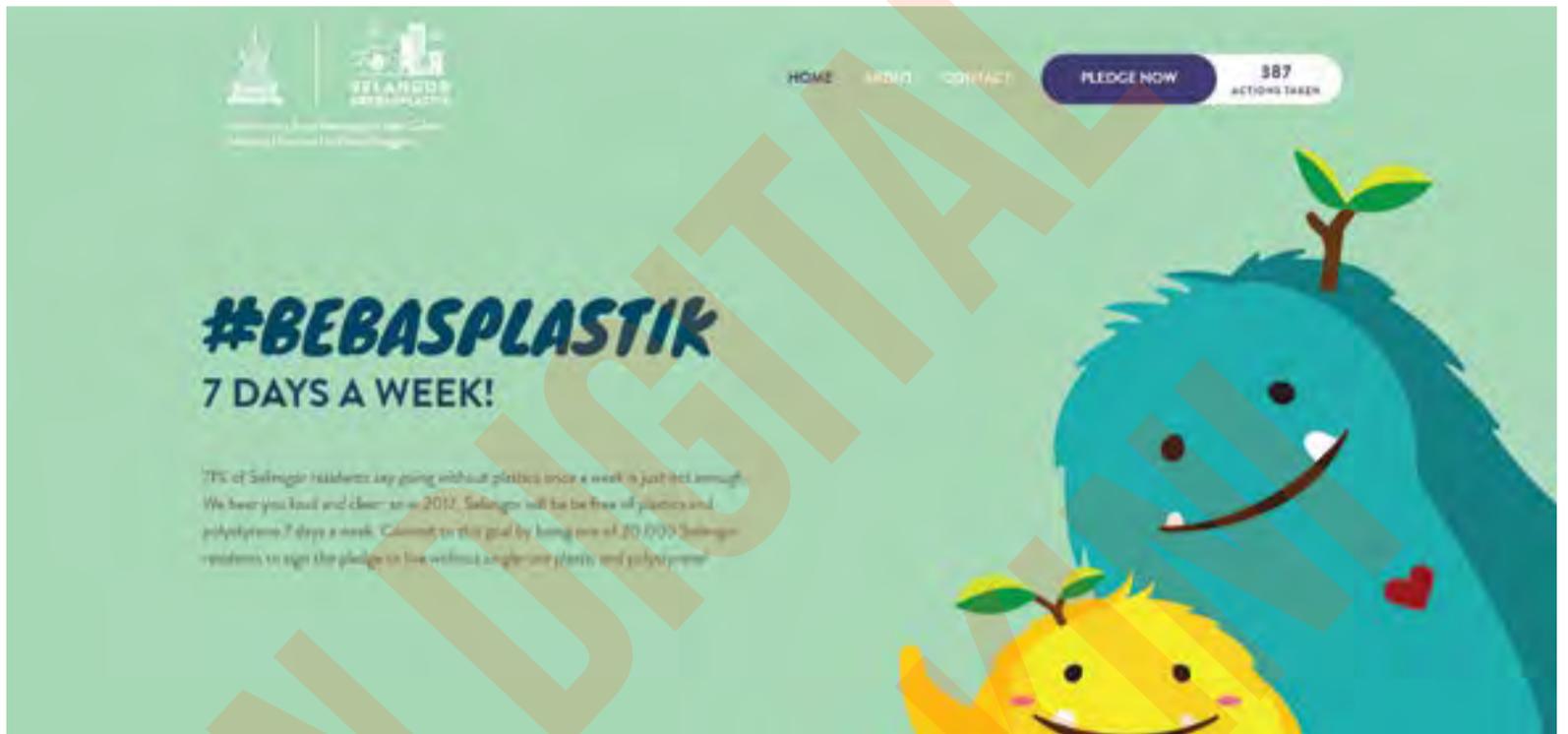
SHAH ALAM - Selangor is one of the first states to ban the use of polystyrene and plastic bags as a policy by 2017.

Tourism, Environment, Green Technology and Consumer Affairs Exco Elizabeth Wong said the initiative was taken through discussions with the State Executive Council and a decision was reached in the middle of 2016.

The decision was made by the State Executive Council on July 13, and had been communicated to the 12 local municipalities in the state.

"All local municipalities have approved the pre-conditions and the State Government is continuing its commitment to implement this policy at the local level by creating campaigns as extensions of this programme for local communities," she said.

She said that during a media conference for the launch of #BebasPlastik 2017 Campaign, which



bans the use of free polystyrene and plastic bags in the state.

Wong said the State Government is also introducing an educational website for the community to get information regarding the policy implementation.

"The website is bebasplastik.my and all information regarding this can be obtained on this website," she said.

She believes the campaign can generate a positive response to the State Government's efforts

in bringing about effective lifestyle changes to society.

"We believe it can be achieved, since survey results had found calls for the ban of plastic bags every Saturday to be continued.

"In recognition of this, we

need to make changes and we remain committed to this change by implementing policies to combat the widespread problem of waste disposal and emphasise environmental issues such as global warming," she said.

RM1,000 fine for breaching licensing regulations



SHAH ALAM - Fines of up to RM1,000 can be imposed on businesses that violate licensing renewal regulations if they are found to be using plastic bags beginning 2017.

Tourism, Environment, Green Technology and Consumer Affairs Exco Elizabeth Wong said businesses in the state are no longer allowed to use polystyrene and provide free plastic bags to consumers.

"The State Government will impose a charge of RM0.20 for every disposable plastic bag beginning January 1, while the use of polystyrene is banned totally.

"We have also set a maximum fine of RM1,000 should there be any breach in renewal of license regulations," she said at the launch of Selangor #BebasPlastik 2017

at the State Secretariat lobby recently.

The State Government has previously, through the local municipalities, determined a study of the policy to encourage businesses to not use plastic bags.

Wong said, however, there were exceptions where the use of plastic bags is allowed.

"This includes raw food and vegetables with soil, prescription drugs, aquatic animals, pet food and loose seeds," she said.

The State Government has previously set every Saturday as no plastic bag day since the middle of this year.

For 2017, the duration for no plastic bags has been extended to seven days a week.

BY NAZLI IBRAHIM

2016 has been a bittersweet year. It would be unsurprising if many came to that conclusion as there were more controversies than glorious achievements throughout the year.

Foremost on everyone's mind is the 1Malaysia Development Berhad (1MDB) scandal associated with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak. The four-year saga sank to even deeper depths of humiliation and disgrace when United States Attorney General Loretta E Lynch announced in a press conference that the US State Department named Malaysian Official One (MO1) in a lawsuit on July 20. The announcement came amidst denials of Najib's involvement in 1MDB by Umno.

The suit was filed at a Los Angeles court seeking the right to seize assets allegedly embezzled through 1MDB.

Although the individual listed as MO1 has not been named, it is clear to the general public that it refers to the Malaysian Prime Minister.

Other names listed by Lynch at the press conference include Najib's stepson, Riza Aziz as an individual involved in using the funds for personal use including buying properties in New York, London and Los Angeles besides bankrolling a Hollywood film.

Riza's name at the press conference garnered the attention of the entire world as he was listed as having familial ties with MO1, strengthening the perception that MO1 is indeed Najib.

In addition, US investigators claimed that 1MDB funds were used to settle gambling debts in Las Vegas.

Besides Riza, the suit also named Jho Low, a businessman with close ties to Najib and two Abu Dhabi government officials, Khadem Al-Qubaisi and Mohamed Ahmed Badawy Al-Husseiny.

On top of the pressures of higher costs of living, the country's economy remains lukewarm although it has been bolstered by new revenue from the Goods and Services Tax (GST) that was implemented in April 2015.

The economic slowdown is not just a result of the 1MDB scandal that has tainted the country's image in foreign investors' eyes, but also negatively affected the ringgit, with the currency falling to the lowest levels since 2004, at 4.5395 against the US Dollar in November.

The situation only got worse with the decline in global oil and gas prices that caused the nation an estimated loss of over 40% in revenue.

Although Najib claimed dur-



ing the tabling of the 2017 Budget that GST had compensated for the losses from the oil and gas sector, in reality the budget he tabled was riddled with cuts to several key sectors, including education and health.

The 2017 Budget also witnessed Najib maintaining a high and uncontrolled administrative allocation with RM214.8 billion (82%) for administrative costs, while only RM46 billion (18%) was for development costs.

GE14 cooperation against BN

Born out of the 1MDB scandal, the country's political landscape in 2016 witness the birth of yet another new party, Parti Pribumi Bersatu Malaysia (PPBM) helmed by former Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin.

The party was formed after Muhyiddin was dropped in a Cabinet reshuffle last year along with former Kedah Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Mukhriz Mahathir who also received the same fate and was sacked from Umno on June 24.

And thus, on September 8, the Registrar of Societies approved the registration of PPBM.

Besides Muhyiddin being elected President and Mukhriz as Deputy President, the party also chose former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad as its chairman.

The party then signed a cooperation pact to face the 14th General Election (GE14) with

1MDB continues to haunt the nation



Pakatan Harapan on December 13, strengthening Pakatan's political strategy to face the challenges of the upcoming elections.

Meanwhile, efforts by Parti Keadilan Rakyat (KEADILAN) defacto leader, Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim failed to challenge the Federal Court's decision involving the Sodomy 2 case when it rejected the motion to review the case.

Anwar's political arrest, who incidentally is one of the first individuals to bring up the 1MDB

issue at the Dewan Rakyat, might not have been needed if Najib was in a strong position and had the confidence of the rakyat.

Meaningless reshuffle

To strengthen his position, Najib reshuffled his Cabinet three times and introduced old faces filled with controversy, including Tanjung Karang Member of Parliament Tan Sri Noh Omar on June 27.

The general public viewed the reshuffle as meaningless as it did not bring any positive change by improving the government administration and curb corruption.

Yellow vs red

The peaceful gathering of Bersih 5 in Kuala Lumpur took place successfully without any untoward incidents although participants faced repeated provocations from the Red Shirts on November 19.

Several weeks before the Bersih 5 gathering, Red Shirt members acted like thugs, attacking several convoys promoting Bersih 5.

The group also demonstrated in front of MalaysiaKini's office and conducted a martial arts demonstration including hitting themselves with planks and headbutting stones.



They also warned of confrontations between Red Shirts and Bersih supporters during Bersih 5.

Thankfully, the confrontations threatened by the Red Shirts did not materialise as their numbers were under 1,000 before they dispersed by midday, compared to over 100,000 Bersih 5 participants who continued to gather till the evening.

However, Bersih 2.0 Chairman Maria Chin Abdullah was detained the day before the gathering and this was followed by the arrest of 19 other leaders and activists before and after the gathering.

Among those detained were KEADILAN Vice President Tian Chua and KEADILAN Women's Chief Zuraidah Kamaruddin.

Paralympics athletes bring nation honour

While the political situation in 2016 continued to be overshadowed by the 1MDB controversy, our country's Paralympics athletes brought some much needed respite with their gold medal haul at the Paralympic Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Besides winning three gold medals and one bronze medal, the Malaysian contingent also managed to set two world records, one Paralympics record and two Asian Paralympics records.

The gold medals came from Mohamad Ridzuan Mohamad Puzi in the 100m T36 men's event with a time of 12.07s (Paralympic Games record), Muhammad Ziyad Zolkefli in the F20 men's shot putt with a throw of 16.84m



(world record) and Abdul Latif Romly in the T20 men's long jump that shattered the world record three times in the second (7.47m), third (7.54m) and fifth jump (7.60m).

The sole bronze medal came from Siti Noor Radiah Ismail in the T20 women's long jump with a new Asian Para Games record of 5.20m jump.

Their victory managed to soothe the country's disappointment as Malaysia once again failed to win its first Olympic gold medal at the Olympic Games, held also in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Although failing to win the first ever gold, the country's contingent made history when Malaysia managed a record haul of four silver and one bronze.

The silver medals were courtesy of singles badminton player Datuk Lee Chong Wei, mixed doubles team of Chan Peng Soon and Goh Liu Ying, men's doubles team of Goh V Shem and Tan Wee Kiong and 10m synchronised dive team of Pan-

dalela Rinong and Cheong Jun Hoong.

The sole bronze was won by Azizulhasni Awang in the men's keirin.

Our woes in soccer still continue, with the Malaysian Tiger squad still in its doldrums after failing to achieve any measure of success throughout 2016.

Although national senior squad head coach, Datuk Ong Kim Swee initially set the target of emerging champions of the AFF Suzuki Cup 2016 that took place between November 28 and December 18, the team was eliminated in the group stage.

FIFA ranking unchanged

Malaysia's position in FIFA's rankings has not shown any improvement when the rankings were updated on December 22. Malaysia is now at 161st place, far behind other Southeast Asian countries like the Philippines (120), Thailand (126), Vietnam (134) and Myanmar (159).

The national team's ranking



has caused an outpouring of criticism directed at the Malaysian Football Association (FAM), including from some prominent individuals and supporters alike, all demanding sweeping changes in FAM.

The most vocal critics include Tunku Mahkota Johor, His Royal Highness Tunku Ismail Sultan Ibrahim who is also the owner of Johor Darul Ta'zim (JDT) football club.

The severe criticism led to the decision of FAM President Tengku Abdullah Sultan Ahmad Shah to resign from his position.

The FAM Executive Committee, however, rejected his resignation, and instead push forward the revamp of new leadership to help the national team that was supposed to take place in two years' time to next year.

Not only was there chaos in FAM, but several weeks before the 2017 Malaysia League, several state football associations faced trouble, with similar demands coming from their own supporters.

These include the Selangor Football Association (FAS), and the Kelantan Football Association (KAFA), both of which faced pressure in locating sponsors willing to cover the expenses throughout the 2017 Malaysia League campaign.

At KAFA, Tan Sri Annuar Musa resigned as president and in FAM, Tengku Abdullah would not stand for election in 2017, but at the FAS, the Vice President and other members of the Executive Committee would not relinquish their posts.

The chaos brought about problems with sponsors and affected the Red Giants' preparations.

The long crisis finally attracted the attention of His Royal Highness Raja Muda Selangor, Tengku Amir Shah who decreed that 'old faces' in FAS should step down honourably.

Meanwhile, KAFA, which previously revealed having only RM800,000 in its coffers, also faced trouble in getting sponsors after Annuar resigned.

However, recent reports indicate that there is a major company interested in discussions to sponsor the Kelantan team.

Behind every dark cloud there is a silver lining. Penang football player, Faiz Subri, with his curved goal emerged as one of the final three best goals in the FIFA Puskas 2016 awards, a piece of news that brought some cheer to local fans.

And that wraps up the review of this year's highlights that has been dominated by the 1MDB scandal, which still continues to cast a dark shadow on our nation's psyche. The impact and consequences of the scandal will haunt the nation for years to come.

But change will not happen as long as 'old faces' remain in power, whether they are in the government administration or in sport associations.

Like it or not, the rakyat can no longer waste the chance to put these ghosts of shame to rest when the opportunity presents itself during the 14th General Election.



Selangor to expect 7.4 million tourists in 2017

SHAH ALAM - Tourism Selangor is optimistic that tourist arrivals to Selangor will increase to 7.4 million in 2017 compared to the targeted 7.2 million tourists for 2016.

Selangor Tourism Corporate Communications Manager, Ahmad Nazri Tashriq Rahmat said Tourism Selangor has outlined several areas which will be focused on to achieve that target.

"Several areas in Selangor have taken the initiative to organise tourism and 'visit-year for their districts' campaigns, to promote the attractions in their districts.

"Among the local authorities who has organised their Visit District Year are Klang, Hulu Selangor and Selayang Districts," he said to SelangorKini.

Nazri said that Tourism Selan-

gor has taken the initiative to organise the Klang Art Festival, which will be held in September 2017, promoting heritage, artistic and cultural based products.

"In Hulu Selangor, we promote eco- and nature-based products.

"Recently, Tourism Selangor organised the "#DiscoverSelangor Photo Hunt 2016", which was held on September 17, 2016, which

started at Selayang and ended in Hulu Selangor.

"That was one of the initiatives to promote Visit Hulu Selangor Year 2017 with over 300 participants consisting of the public, professional photographers, blog writers and media," he said.

He added that Tourism Selangor is also working with Hulu Selangor District Council (MDHS) to

organise the Wings of Kuala Kubu Bharu (KKB) 2017, an international scale birding event.

Besides that, he said that there are several latest tourism products in Selangor which will be featured such as Sky Mirror, Kuala Selangor, Bangi Wonderland, Bangi, Sekinchan 3D Art and Ocean Gallery and Nickelodeon Lost Lagoon, Sunway Lagoon.

BY **FATIMAH HUSNA RAZALEE**

SELANGOR is no stranger to visitors, not only locals, but also tourist from foreign countries. The state organises various events and activities the whole year round. These events focus on the many unique places and attractions that Selangor has to offer.

Two such events are the Malaysia Women Marathon and the Selangor International Indigenous Art Festival 2016.



Malaysia Women's Marathon 2016

Women not only run marathons, they also run the world

Some 4000 participants, mostly women from all over the country, joined the much awaited women's event on March 6, 2016

The Malaysia Women's Marathon (MWM), an event that has drawn women by the thousands yearly since its inaugural run in 2013, was held yet again this year.

Women from all walks of life, young and old, took to the pavements and roads of Shah Alam on March 6, March 2016. For many, this was an event that they were waiting for the entire year as it is purely for women

and it gives them an opportunity to test their limits while being supported by other women who share the same passion for running.

This year, the keynote speaker was Stephanie Case, an inspirational woman who is not only a human rights lawyer with the United Nations but also an ultra-trail race winner. Travelling from Gaza where she is based, she was invited to speak as the founder of Free to Run, an organisation that helps promote empowerment via running for women in the war inflicted countries.

"We hope that more women will join in the run this time around and the public will come to The Arc, Rimbayu and attend the workshops.

"It is an event that promotes health and camaraderie in the community that should be supported by the public. It will also showcase other scenic places in Shah Alam and people will get a different taste of the city," said Tourism, Environment, Green Technology and Consumer Affairs Exco Elizabeth Wong during the official launch of the Malaysia Women's Marathon 2016.



Selangor International Indigenous Art Festival

Tribes across Asia come together

The Selangor International Indigenous Art Festival 2016 (SIIAF) returned for the second time at Taman Botani Negara Shah Alam, Selangor with a presentation of tribal dances, culture and a mission to accomplish. Organised by Tour-

ism Selangor and Jaringan Orang Asal SeMalaysia (JOAS), with collaboration from Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact (AIPP), this year's theme 'Back to the Roots' was in conjunction with the worldwide World Indigenous People Celebration, which falls in the month

of August annually.

The event is aimed at bringing awareness to the public on the culture and heritage of the Indigenous people. SIIAF also gives the indigenous tribes across Malaysia, Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Myanmar, Thai-

land, the Philippines and Vietnam, a platform to promote their rich culture and heritage tourism in culturally-rich Selangor.

"By promoting the culture and creating awareness of the indigenous people, it not only helps to attract tourists to the

state, but also helps the indigenous people economically. If done responsibly, these efforts will greatly benefit them," said Tourism, Environment, Green Technology and Consumer Affairs Exco Elizabeth Wong during the event.



Medical tourism is growing in Selangor

Being the most populous state, Selangor is definitely one of the best places to live in Malaysia. The state is the most developed state in Malaysia, and has a reputation of having the best in facilities and equipment.

Thanks to the modernisation and urbanisation in Greater Klang Valley area, Selangor continues to grow rapidly. With a number of well-known urban centres such as Shah Alam, Klang, Petaling Jaya, Subang Jaya and Cyberjaya, Selangor maintains a high standard of living. The education, infrastructure, communications and healthcare facilities in Selangor are also among the best in the region, according to Invest Selangor Berhad.

The state also has been monitoring the growing arrival of visitors who come to Selangor seeking medical treatment and while they are being treated, they also take restful holidays with their families here.

There are a wide number of medical centres in Selangor who have recognised this potential and are actively participating in Medical Tourism. In 2012, a total of 671,727 arrivals have been recorded under medical tourism generating about RM600 million worth of revenue.

Selangor is the ideal destination with excellent infrastructure and accessibility to promote Medical Tourism.

There are 26 private panel hospitals in Selangor registered under the Malaysian Healthcare Tourism Council (MHTC) offering various medical treatments. Malaysia also has plans to develop a world-class health metropolis in Selangor to serve as a critical part of the ASEAN healthcare ecosystem. This is all aligned to promote Medical Tourism in Selangor as it is a perfect holiday destination with accessible tourist's spots within close proximity and great food as well as rich culture.

Since 2012, Tourism Selangor has been aggressive in promoting medical tourism to its neighbour country, Indonesia, such as Medan, Pekanbaru, Bukit Tinggi, Surabaya, and Jakarta.

The state will also be promoting healthy lifestyle with its second edition of The Selangor Wellness Living Expo 2016 (SWELL 2016), which will take place between February 24 and February 26, 2017, at Setia City Convention Centre, Shah Alam.

The expo connects the community to the key Industry stakeholders from the spectrum of the Healthcare Travel Value Chain in the Selangor. During the expo, Tourism Selangor will showcase wellness and health related exhibitors, sponsors and presentations for conference all under one roof. This expo also brings a platform to Medical Tourism practitioners to sample the most innovative

health, lifestyle and wellness enhancing their products and services.

Selangor's popularity among travellers is reflected in the increase of visitors, from 3% to 5% in the past few years. With a combination of rich history and culture, hustling cities and scenic villages, modern infrastructure and gastronomic delights – Selangor is a destination of choice for local and international visitors.

Supported by the State Government, this year's promotional campaign 'Discover Selangor' aims to get even more tourists to experience the fun and enriching experiences in Selangor. Armed with the tagline 'Heart of Malaysia', the campaign offers new and returning

visitors to have a complete experience of Selangor's attractions – in lifestyle, MICE (Meeting, Incentive, Conference & Exhibition) and sports events.

Tourism Selangor as a state tourism promotional board works closely with private and public healthcare providers to expand their reach and referral networks in key target markets. Tourism Selangor also partners in-market intermediaries to profile Selangor as an advanced medical care destination and showcase Selangor's clinical excellence.

For more information, log on to Tourism Selangor official website at www.tourismselangor.my.



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Youth encouraged to be entrepreneurs

BY ERMIZI MUHAMAD

SHAH ALAM - The younger generation is urged to involve themselves in entrepreneurship to generate extra income in keeping with the demands of the current market.

Gombak Setia Assemblyman Hasbullah Ridzwan said that the field could bring added value to youths in improving their economic status.

"Youths nowadays have a desire to be independent in looking for sources of income, not only in employment but in business as well. This should be used wisely as an approach to added value, and in raising their standard of living and income.

"As such, this field is turning into a good source of income, and more youths are entering into it and becoming successful in their businesses," he said.

He said that at the launch of the 'Basic to Advance' Makeup Workshop, organised by the

Youth Movement (PeBT) Selayang Municipal Council (MPS) Zone 2, with cooperation from Setapak Administrative County Chief Office and Malaeka Ventures & Make Up by Mya Syamira.

The workshop was organised as part of MPS's initiatives to encourage the community to take the opportunity in gaining a better understanding of the basics of makeup and beauty.

In fact, the workshop was also held to highlight the young women of the zone who are involved in these fields.

At the same time, Hasbullah said the programme can be a good platform for youths, especially women, to develop and expand their skills.

"I am confident that among the participants, there are many who are here not just to learn how to put on makeup, but who also wish to become makeup artists and successful entrepreneurs," he said.



Inflation to rise in 2017?

SHAH ALAM - Research firm Nomura Research expects inflation in Malaysia to increase as high as 2.8% in 2017, compared to a 2.1% average increase in 10 months in 2016.

The Edge Markets reported that the increase is due to price increases generated by the continuous weakening of the ringgit.

"As Malaysians are welcoming 2017, they face a weak ringgit and food prices which are increasingly expensive. Consumer expenditure will decrease as imported goods become more expensive, increasing the inflation.

"It is mainly driven by the effects of fuel prices," said Nomura Research.

The ringgit value is at its worst since 1998, plunging to RM4.4810 against USD1 on December 19.

Earlier, former Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) Deputy Governor Dr Rosli Yaakob said that if the ringgit continues to decline, it may reach up to RM5 to USD1 in 2017.

He said that increasing national debt without strict control is also causing the ringgit to decline as debt repayments are only accepted in foreign currency such as the US Dollar.

He said the market price of local and imported vehicles are expected to increase by 5-10% next year caused by the continuous depreciating trend of the ringgit.

Consumer Price Index (CPI) as a whole, increased by 1.8% in November 2016 to 116.9, compared to 114.8 in the same month last year.

Based on seasonal adjustment terms, CPI for November 2016 rose by 1.0% compared to October 2016.

MDSB consistent with Smart Selangor

SABAK BERNAM - The Smart Selangor development agenda is Sabak Bernam District Council (MDSB) administration's main pillar towards becoming a sustainable administrative council by 2017.

Yang Dipertua Azlinda Azman said the agenda includes the implementation of green development as a key component of Smart State, in response to the Smart State concept introduced by the State Government since 2015.

"We are optimistic in moving towards that direction by maintaining the basis at the local authority level, and we are already encouraging the community to cease the use of plastic and polystyrene by 2017.

"In fact, Sabak Bernam has been chosen as one of the polystyrene-free district councils for Smart Selangor City," she said.

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AZLINDA AZMAN
Yang Dipertua



At the same time, she said that MDSB will utilise the current allocation for a Smart City development in Bagan Terap settlement, to strengthen the agenda in rural areas.

"MDSB is now actively building settlements based on the Smart Selangor concept, with continuous support from the State Government.

"With the RM2 million allocation given to MDSB, we are confident that a

Smart City development in Bagan Terap can be successfully built," she said.

Since 2015, the State Government has been committed in its long-term plans and initiatives to strengthen Smart Selangor.

Consisting of 12 components, Dato' Menteri Besar, Dato' Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali is targeting 2025 as the year to turn Selangor as the first Smart State in Malaysia.




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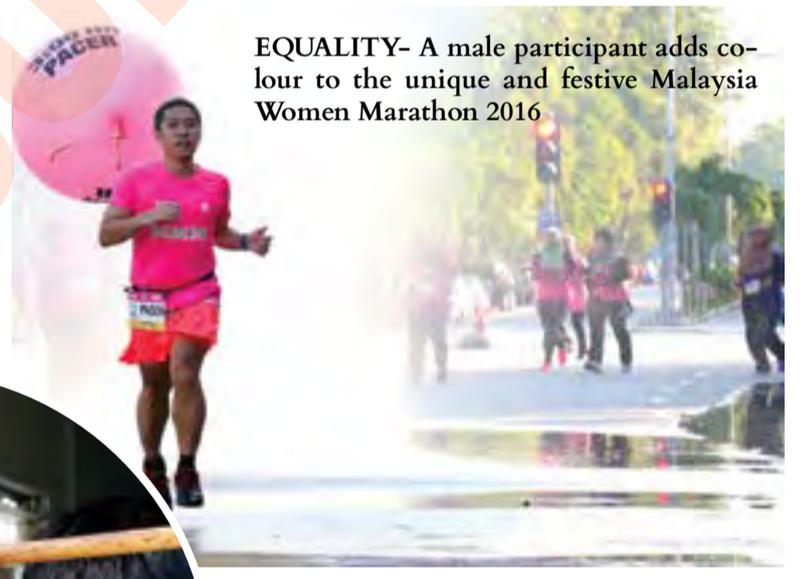
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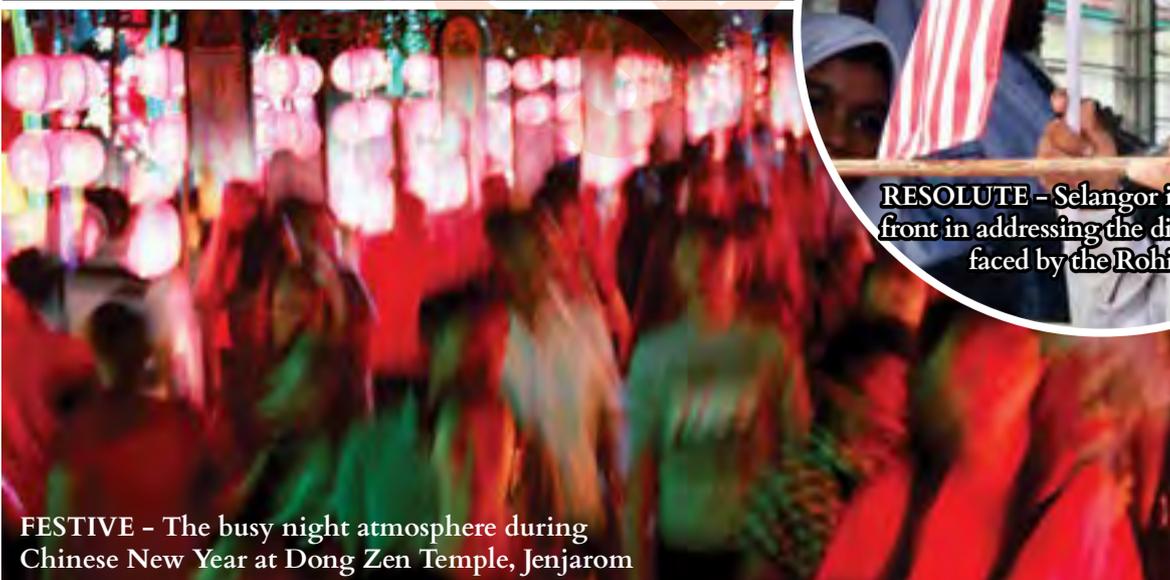
BEAUTIFUL - Festival Fair MBPJ 2016 included a fireworks performance from the top of Menara MBPJ, which is an icon of the artistic city



COMPASSION - Humanitarian mission by PANTAS Selangor squad in Sarawak helping victims of a major flood in the state during the middle of 2016



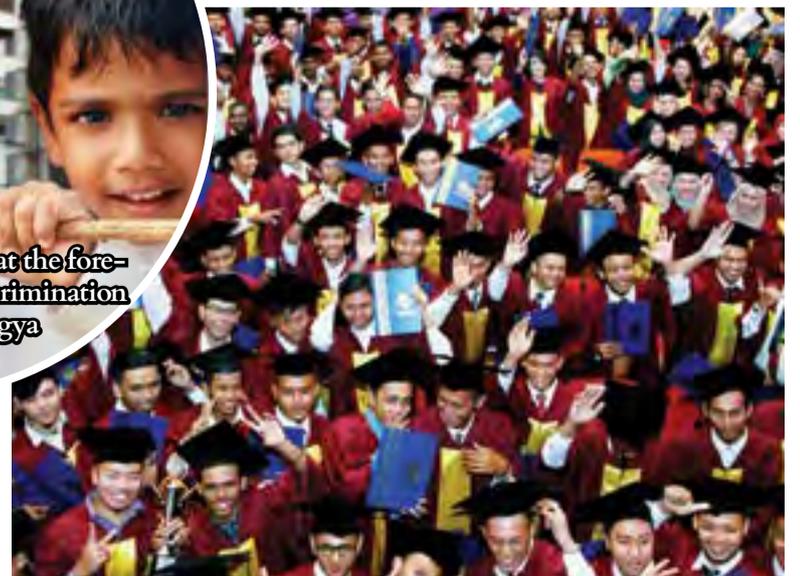
EQUALITY- A male participant adds colour to the unique and festive Malaysia Women Marathon 2016



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NURTURING - Selangor's education sector remains a priority with the increase in excellent graduates in 2016

Towards a crime-free Petaling Jaya

BY ERMIZI MUHAMAD

SHAH ALAM - The Petaling Jaya City Council (MBPJ) is consistent in playing its part as a responsible local council in creating a safe and peaceful environment for its community.

Mayor Mohd Azizi Mohd Zain said the initiatives are implemented through Petaling Jaya Safety Master Plan, which focuses on four main components.

He said the four components are environmental, infrastructure and digital security as well as security management.

"Some of the programmes and projects include turning 'blackspots' into safe areas, which have been implemented since 2013 under the Crime Reduction National Key Results Area (NKRA).

"At council level, the implementation is through the safe city physical project five immediate steps which are lightings,

separation between pedestrian lane and motor lane as well as installing safety mirrors.

"Besides that, further efforts include installing billboards with warning against crime and providing lockable motorcycle parking areas," he said in a statement in conjunction with the 12/2016 Council Meeting.

He said the areas involved in the project so far are Kampung Lindungan, Petaling Jaya Selatan 6, Pangsapuri Damar and Mentari Business Park, Petaling Jaya Selatan 8.

"These areas were chosen based on the information generated by the Safe City Monitoring System (SPBS) which show them as having high crime cases of motorcycle theft, burglary and robbery.

"The selection was also agreed and approved by the Royal Malaysian Police and the Unit Khas NKRA Bandar Selamat JPBD," he said.



Bicycle lanes to ensure students' safety

SAUJANA UTAMA - Dedicated bicycle lanes have been created in several areas near schools here to ensure the safety of residents' children in the coming January 2017 school session.

Kuala Selangor District Council (MDKS) Zone 8A Member Mohd Fakaruddin Ismail said bicycle lanes along housing areas near schools symbolise MDKS and Saujana Utama Residents Collaborative Council's (MPP) concern for children's safety.

He said Saujana Utama Bicycle Lane

Awareness Campaign is expected to be held on January 1, 2017 to create public awareness on the bicycle lanes.

"We should emulate developed countries, making bicycle the main transport and create high road safety awareness for cyclists.

"We want to create the same awareness among residents, especially parents in this area, to jointly campaign for a safer bike lane," he said as reported by Sinar Harian.

No compromise over dirty toilets

SHAH ALAM - The Shah Alam City Council (MBSA) will intensify its regular checks and monitoring of food premises to ensure that toilets in its administrative area meet the set cleanliness standards.

MBSA Councillor Tan Ah Kow said premise owners will be subjected to enforcement action under the MBSA 2007 Licensing, Trade and Business Bylaw and fined RM500 if they fail to meet the guidelines.

He said this is to educate owners and



Tan Ah Kow

businessmen to maintain clean toilets for the public's comfort.

"Currently, the issue of clean public toilets has received a lot of attention from the public because it has implications on the level of cleanliness and is a contributing factor to the spread of disease.

"Therefore we do not want this issue to taint the good name of Shah Alam," he said during the Kebersihan dan Pengurusan Tan-

das Berkualiti di Zon Selatan Seksyen 23-36 Seminar at Bukit Kemuning Golf.

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Time to revamp FAS

SHAH ALAM – The Selangor Football Association (FAS) has been urged to make a drastic revamp to its entire organisation to restore the Red Giants to its former glory.

His Royal Highness Raja Muda Selangor, Tengku Amir Shah ibni Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah decreed that FAS should update its constitution to make it relevant with current times strategising not just the first team but the development of youth football and supporting facilities around the state.

He added that FAS should have comprehensive sports marketing approach that will enable the organisation to earn a sustainable income for the future.

“The recent news and developments on Football Association of Selangor (FAS) has got me very worried. I have also personally read the plight and comments from the fans of the Red Giants on my social media platforms who share the same concern as me.



I strongly suggest a major revamp towards FAS. Excessive politics, old-fashioned way of doing things, over dependency on subsidy mentality need to be removed



TENGGU AMIR SHAH
His Royal Highness Raja Muda Selangor

I strongly suggest a major revamp towards FAS. Excessive politics, old-fashioned way of doing things, over dependency on subsidy mentality need to be removed,” he said in a statement.

The Raja Muda indicated that FAS needed a breath of fresh air as the rich history of the Red Giants needs to be upheld and fought for.

He also suggested that the current exco line up to respectfully step aside if they are not able to improve the situation within a short

space of time to make way for a new competent team to revive the ailing organisation.

“Subsequently, I request that the FAS President to introduce a new line up that is independent of politics, based on merit, fresh, full of energy and capable of achieving results.

“We, the fans, need to stay together with the players as we need to acknowledge that we have to go through a few years of difficulties before we rise again, due to the actions of a few irresponsible

people. There is always a silver lining to the challenges that we face, but to return to our glory days the old guards need to go,” he said.

The suggestion was welcomed by FAS President, Dato’ Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali who said that those who are no longer capable should respectfully step aside.

He said that the Raja Muda’s call was in line with the plans made in response to ongoing issues and worries of supporters about the Red Giants’ future.



In search of new badminton talent

SHAH ALAM - About 40 young badminton fans from Sabak Bernam have joined a badminton clinic facilitated by a former national singles player, Jason Wong at the SBBC Arena Badminton Centre, Sungai Besar.

Jason, who is also the programme director, said that the badminton clinic aims to expose and encourage young people towards a healthy lifestyle, at the same time preventing them from getting involved in social problems and negative activities.

“Participants are taught sportsmanship, sport and strengthening social ties through sport,” he said in a statement.

One of the participants, Muhamad Amir Al-Hafiz Shah, 15, said he started to like sport after watching the Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, in August.

He said that he felt lucky to be able to learn the basics of badminton from a professional coach, considering the cost of enter the sport is quite high.

“Besides hitting techniques, I’m also taught how to serve and also



correct body movements,” said Amir who is also a student of Sekolah Agama Menengah Tinggi Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Shah.

As for Juliana Kenanga, 16, the programme in her opinion, is a beneficial way for youths to use up their

time during the school holidays.

“My friends and I were not going to miss this opportunity, as there are no such training or badminton courts like this in our school. Besides we really want to learn more about this sport,” said the Sekolah

Menengah Kebangsaan Ungku Aziz student.

The programme, sponsored by Kumpulan Perangsang Selangor Berhad (Perangsang Selangor), is a part of the company’s ‘Sports For All’ Corporate Social Responsibility

initiative under Rangsangan Sukan Selangor (RSS).

The programme is targeted at primary and secondary schoolchildren, lower income groups, senior citizens, the disabled and general public.