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We are the only state to introduce a free bus service in the country and perhaps, the world. This is proof of the State Government's ability to offer quality public transport to its citizens

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Dato' Menteri Besar

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## GE14 results in rakyat's hands

**SHAH ALAM** – Umno-Barisan Nasional (BN)'s effort to bring together three former Menteri Besars to wrestle Selangor away from PAKATAN will not guarantee its success.

Instead, PAKATAN Secretariat Chief, Datuk Saifuddin Abdullah said the election will be determined by the rakyat who will vote in the upcoming 14th General Election (GE14).

"We are not belittling any party because these former menteri besars have done good deeds in the past but we should be aware that politics and elections are not determined by a select few.

"The ones who will determine the Selangor State Government are not those three individuals (the former menteri besars) but the entire electorate and citizens of Selangor," he said.

He was commenting on the Umno-BN strategy led by Selangor Umno Chairman, Tan Sri Noh Omar, who wanted to bring together the trio of menteri besars, Tan Sri Muhammad Mohd Taib; Tan Sri Abu Hassan Omar and Dr Mohd Khir Toyo in an effort to take over Selangor.

Elaborating further, he said such efforts will not bring the desired results especially taking GE12 and GE13's results into consideration.

"The rakyat, as voters, are now capable of making informed decisions and will not be influenced by the strategy being planned by Umno-BN because it is an old strategy that did not work in 2008 and 2013.

"Therefore, their desired result will never happen," he said.



**Mohamed Azmin together with the Selangor delegation attending a meeting with the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Leela Palace, Chennai, to focus on bringing in new investment to Selangor on September 25.**

## Bring investments in, not invest overseas

BY LIZAWATI MADFA

**SUBANG JAYA** - The Selangor State Government remains committed to attracting foreign investors with potential to Selangor in a consistent manner to ensure that the state's economy will continue to grow.

Dato' Menteri Besar, Dato' Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali said this effort will bring direct benefits to the rakyat.

He said that the State Government has never taken any state reserve overseas to build infra-

structure in other countries.

"The State Government delegation has just returned from China and will be travelling to India but we do not take out the rakyat's money to invest in other countries, that is the work of other parties.

"The difference between Selangor and those parties is that foreign investors come here to invest instead of us crawling to them to invest in their country," he said.

On September 13, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak told

United States President Donald Trump that the Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) is expected to invest between USD 3 billion (RM12.5 billion) and USD 4 billion to improve the US economy.

"EPF has so much capital to export, they have invested almost USD 7 billion in terms of equity in the US and is planning to invest an additional USD 3 billion to USD 4 billion to support the redevelopment of your infrastructure," Najib reportedly told Trump in a Free Malaysia Today article.

## BNM urged to take action against 1MDB culprits

**SHAH ALAM** – Opposition Leader Datuk Seri Dr. Wan Azizah Wan Ismail has urged Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) to take action against those involved in the 1Malaysia Development Bhd (1MDB) scandal.

In a statement released on September 27, she expressed surprise at the penalty imposed by BNM, totalling a mere RM115.8 million, and said that BNM had yet to use the full power entrusted to it under the Financial Services Act 2013 to ensure justice for the rakyat over the 1MDB scandal.

She likened the fine on 1MDB as penalising the rakyat because all debts and penalties imposed

on 1MDB would be ultimately borne by the rakyat.

According to her, if BNM had imposed a RM115.8 million penalty on 1MDB, it would mean that there were many legal transgressions in 1MDB's dealings.

Those transactions were made on the orders of an individual or a certain party, she argued, and therefore legal action should be taken against the parties responsible for issuing the orders that caused 1MDB's legal transgressions.

She added that if BNM was not brave enough to take action against Prime Minister Dato' Seri Najib Razak, then other board members and senior manage-

ment should not be let off the hook.

Wan Azizah reiterated that Pakatan Harapan would do its best to ensure that those responsible would be held accountable for their actions.

She added that she would be lodging a police report in a week's time to enable BNM to investigate Najib, the 1MDB board of directors and the senior management.

She also reminded the central bank to defend its independence as an enforcement institution, warning that other financial scandals could be repeated in the future should BNM not take action.

## EC disrupting democratic process of Selangor voters

**PUTRAJAYA** - The State Government has expressed its regret over the Election Commission's (EC) action of destroying data involving a total of 136,000 voters in the state.

Investment, Small & Medium Industries, Trade and Transport Exco Dato' Teng Chang Khim said the EC's action was contrary to the constitutional democratic principles of the country.

He said it would cause complications for the State Government to provide evidence as objections related to the redelineation exercise by the EC.

"This issue is related to the Constitution sentiment and can affect the rights of Selangor citizens to vote in a fair system to choose their government through the democratic process.

"The EC admits that voter data has been destroyed and, of course, we, the State Government, are very disappointed with the commis-

sion's actions.

"This is because the move will affect the process of getting the evidence needed," he told reporters at the grounds of the Palace of Justice recently.

The Federal Court had previously set aside the State Government's motion demanding the EC reveal the data of 136,000 voters that it claimed was destroyed.

In addition, the court rejected the State Government's motion involving the report of original documents used to register voters and Geographic Information System that was used in the redelineation process in Selangor.

Meanwhile, lawyer Latheefa Koya informed that a judicial review for an extension of case management will be filed in an effort to stop the approval for the new redelineation report by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak in Parliament.



# 100th Bas Smart Selangor launched



Mohamed Azmin with Teng holding the MBOR acknowledgment certificate along with Yeoh



Mohamed Azmin placing the MBOR sticker on the front of the 100th Bas Smart Selangor

BY LIZAWATI MADFA

**SUBANG JAYA** - The Bas Smart Selangor free bus service has reached a memorable milestone when the State Government successfully launched the 100th bus, an achievement that was acknowledged by the Malaysia Book of Records.

The launching ceremony was officiated by Dato' Menteri Besar, Dato' Seri Mohamed Az-

min Ali, at the main entrance of Sunway Pyramid Shopping Centre on September 24.

He said the launch probed the State Government's ability to prepare public transport service for the rakyat.

"We are the one and only state that has introduced a free bus service in the country and perhaps, in the world.

"This initiative is in line with the State Government's efforts

of preparing the best facilities for the rakyat," he told the 200-strong audience.

Selangor State Assembly Speaker, who is also the Subang Jaya Assemblyman, Hannah Yeoh and Investment, Small & Medium Industries, Trade and Transport Exco, Dato' Teng Chang Khim were also present.

The 100th Smart Bas Selangor is the fourth route in the

Subang Jaya Municipal Council (MPSJ) area with the route code of SJ04.

SJ04 covers KTM Serdang Station, Seri Kembangan Police Station, Taman Kembang Sari, Taman Serdang Jaya, UPM Mosque, MARDI, South City Plaza and The Mines.

On July 1, 2015, the Bas Smart Selangor service was introduced in three local councils, namely Shah Alam City

Council (MBSA), Klang Municipal Council (MPK) and MPSJ.

In 2016, the service was expanded to Ampang Jaya Municipal Council (MPAJ) and Kajang Municipal Council (MPKj), then Selayang Municipal Council (MPS), Sepang Municipal Council (MPSp), Kuala Langat District Council (MDKL), Sabak Bernam District Council (MDSB) and Hulu Selangor District Council (MDHS).

## Councils urged to use Internet of Things

**SUBANG JAYA** - Local councils are urged to make use of technology based on the Internet of Things (IOT) to manage the aspirations and needs of the rakyat more effectively come 2020.

Dato' Menteri Besar, Dato' Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali said the trend towards 2020 showed that 50% to 80% of the population will migrate and live in cities.

He said the situation will demand that local councils progress ahead and prepare more proactive and efficient IOT services.

"We can no longer use old methods - parking using coupons, slow response towards garbage complaints, road paving that take weeks - all of these cannot be used anymore.

"With IOT, I believe that problems can be solved because we get more real time information about when an incident occurs and this is what the rakyat wants," he said.

Mohamed Azmin said IOT enables more integrated systems to be created throughout the state

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**MOHAMED AZMIN**  
Dato' Menteri Besar

such as smart parking service.

He said it will enable users to know the number of empty parking lots and make online payments.

"This is happening intensively in China where we see the Chinese only bringing their smartphones to shop at malls.

"Payment can be made through e-pay or through certain apps. We already have achieved many things but we need to be serious about IOT development to enhance the rakyat's lifestyle with more efficient administration," he said.

## RM42.5 million for free bus service

**SHAH ALAM** - A total of RM42.5 million has been spent by the State Government and local councils to provide the free Bas Smart Selangor service to date.

Investment, Small & Medium Industries, Trade and Transport Exco, Dato' Teng Chang Khim said RM33.5 million is the allocation provided by the State Government, while the remaining RM9 million was borne by local councils.

He said the local councils involved included Shah Alam City Council, Klang Municipal Council, Subang Jaya Municipal Council, Ampang Jaya Municipal Council, Kajang Municipal Council, Selayang Municipal Council and Sepang Municipal Council.

"The cost spent includes the rental costs and the management and maintenance entrusted fully to the appointed bus company.

"Other costs include wrapping costs and 6% Goods and Service Tax fee (GST)," he said.

Teng added that the Bas Smart Selangor service performance deserved to be catego-

rised as excellent with a recorded 10,734,359 passengers for the term July 1, 2015 to August 31 this year.

"With such strong support, the State Government is confident in continuing to provide support and aid towards cooperation with local councils to add new routes and new busses.

"This effort is to ensure that the Bas Smart Selangor service is more complete and forms a network with other public transport systems," he said.

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**TENG CHANG KHIM**  
Investment Exco



# Selangor-China improve trade ties



The Selangor delegation led by Mohamed Azmin meeting with the Vice Governor of Guangdong Province

BY ERMIZI MUHAMAD AND AFIX REDZUAN

**SHAH ALAM** - Selangor hopes to become an active trade partner with China seeing as China is one of its main investors with a combined value of RM 3.2 billion.

Dato' Menteri Besar, Dato' Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali said that Selangor welcomed stronger relations as ASEAN's second most busy port, Klang Port is key to the strategic trade growth between Selangor and Guangdong.

"In ASEAN, Malaysia is the number one trade destination for China since 2008 with a total two-way trade of USD 106 billion.

"Selangor aims to be an active

partner in China's development as China is one of our main investors with an accumulated total of RM 3.2 billion.

"We welcome this strong relationship," he said through his Twitter account.

Mohamed Azmin led the Selangor delegation to Guangdong, China and attended the opening of the Development and Cooperation of Industry and Finance Forum in the country.

He also attended the 2017 Guangdong Expo and the International Maritime Silk Road Conference there.

Guangdong was reported to be one of the largest Gross Do-

mestic Product (GDP) contributors of China.

Among the 31 provinces and municipalities in mainland China, Guangdong in South China has the largest and fastest growing economy based on GDP.

The Global Times had previously compiled data issued by the Guangdong Statistics Bureau on January 22 showing that the province's economy has increased by 7.5% year to year to 7.95 trillion yuan in the year before.

According to the website, if Guangdong was considered a country, its economy would be the 16th largest in the world.

## SPLASH: Putrajaya must obey Master Agreement

**SHAH ALAM** - The Federal Government is reminded to not disregard the Master Agreement signed between the State Government and Putrajaya in September 2014.

Dato' Menteri Besar, Dato' Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali revealed that Putrajaya has demanded that the State Government pay 40% of the cost of the Syarikat Air Sungai Selangor Sdn Bhd (SPLASH) takeover.

He said, however, such a demand was not reasonable and went against the original agreement that both parties settled on previously.

"We should the State Government pay such a sum while it is not included in the original agreement?"

"It's even more suspicious that Putrajaya has not revealed the true total at all and only gave the assessment based on the 40% valuation only. What are we paying for?" he said during the Malaysia Baru with Dato' Menteri Besar Dialogue at Muzium Sultan

Alam Shah recently.

He stated that the State Government would not compromise and approve any restructuring and that Putrajaya's trick will go against the rights of Selangor citizens.

"Any settlement will need to protect the rights of the consumers and Selangor citizens. That is why we made the decision to take over water services that had been privatised by the previous administration.

"The State Government, as an administration with integrity, will not allow the money of Selangor citizens to be taken for their self-interests," he said.

The restructuring of the state water supply service industry is aimed to take the service towards a holistic service under one operator.

It is now managed fully by the State Government and administered under the Water Services Industry Act to realise a more efficient, effective, competitive and consistent service.



The Selangor Bio Bay development worth RM5.5 billion is implemented on a 1,000 acre site and is expected to be completed at the end of this year.

## Selangor Bio Bay catalyst for industry 4.0

**PULAU INDAH** - Selangor Bio Bay will provide a paradigm shift towards the effort to transform Selangor into a regional smart state.

Dato' Menteri Besar, Dato' Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali said the strategic shift towards industry 4.0 is based on creative innovation, digital development, high technology and economic knowledge.

"The State Government will immediately capitalise on this opportunity by establishing the Selangor Bio Council to drive the biotechnology industry and to generate economic growth.

"The committee is responsible to turn Selangor into an Asian Biotechnology Hub through the development of Selangor Bio Bay," he said while delivering the keynote address at the launch of Selangor Bio Bay, at Pulau Indah, on September 24.

He said Selangor Bio Bay is a specific de-

velopment model that will attract investors from pharmaceutical, nutraceutical, medical equipment and palm oil-based product industries.

At the same time, Mohamed Azmin said Selangor Bio Bay will prepare a Bio Accelerator Centre as an open lab for companies that invest in Pulau Indah.

"The use of industrial palm oil acid in the making of pharmaceuticals and nutraceuticals are developing in line with progress made by research and development (R&D).

"Selangor Bio Bay can become a suitable location for the activities of such an industry, and even take on the role of an R&D hub in this sector," he said.

At the same function, Central Spectrum Sdn Bhd CEO Mahmud Abbas also signed a memorandum of understanding with KDS Global that was represented by its Managing Director, Park Mee Nah.

# Selangor deserves golden state moniker



**Dato' Mohd Amin urging that public services remain dynamic, competitive and out of their comfort zones in providing service to the rakyat**

BY NAZLI IBRAHIM

**SHAH ALAM** - The moniker The Crown Jewel of Malaysia or golden state bestowed on Selangor is really accurate when its status as the main contributor to the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is taken into account.

Selangor State Secretary, Dato' Mohd Amin Ahmad Ahyia said the state has contributed almost 22.7% of the national GDP for the year 2016.

"Selangor is also the most developed state in Malaysia with a total population of 6.14 million or 20% of the total population of the country," he said when officiating the Persada Inovasi Perkhidmatan Awam Peringkat Negeri Selangor 2017 (MPIPANS 2017) event at Dewan Jubli Perak Sultan Abdul Aziz on September 19.

He said the situation would ensure that the challenge of delivering public services in the

state would be different compared to other states.

Among the factors that made the state a success, he added, was the quality of the service delivered by the state's public servants.

"The State Government will always give full support and encouragement through various incentives to departments that diligently inculcate innovation and creativity in improving the delivery of service," he said.

## Developing halal industry human capital

**SHAH ALAM** - The Halal Technical Competent Person (HTCP) programme that was launched by Halal International Selangor (HIS) is proof that the State Government is seriously committed to increase the development of human capital for the international halal trade and industry.

Central Spectrum Sdn Bhd (CSSB) CEO Mahmud Abbas said the commitment can be seen through a two month programme for participants to inculcate an understanding and knowledge in addition to the proper skills.

He said participants are exposed through the Halal Management, System and Syariah as well as the International Halal Trade Standards.



**Mahmud Abbas**

"As many as 13 participants joined the two month programme. The participants undergo comprehensive learning sessions.

"They also gain experiences and exposure to the needs of the halal industry to enable them to practise and maintain

the Halal Toyyiban guarantee in an organisation," he said at the HTCP Certificate ceremony at Hotel Saujana.

Mahmud, who is also a HIS board member, said that through the development of the Selangor Halal Hub, officers are responsible to monitor halal products and services.

"Through this HTCP training, the officers responsible can learn how to assure halal quality. HTCP officers can also be referred to as representing Single Community Global Markets," he said.

The State Government had previously gave its support and commitment to small and medium industries to develop human capital under the HTCP and HTDA programmes.

## New 12 ton compactor for waste management

**SHAH ALAM** - The compactors prepared by KDEB Waste Management Sdn Bhd (KDEBWM) is capable of accommodating 12 tons of garbage collection at any one time.

KDEBWM General Manager, Ramli Mohd Tahir said the capacity of the new compactor can also hold a higher volume of water from the compacting of garbage compared to the old vehicles that are only capable of collecting solid waste of around five to six tons only.

"Therefore, we are able to guarantee that from now on, the use of these new compactors will be much better from the aspect of solid waste management in the state," he said.

He added that, in line with the Smart Selangor initiative, all compactors are equipped with

smart technology such as Automatic Vehicle Locating System (AVLS), Load Cell, and is linked to the I-Clean smart app.

The three technologies can be accessed directly with the KDEBWM complaint centre, Command Centre which is managed by four customer service officers between 9.00am and 5.00pm.

"The public can lodge complaints directly through the I-Clean app that can be downloaded online.

"It's very simple, really. Users lodge complaints and in a short time, they will know the cause or the issue that happened at their area.

"This will all be monitored by KDEBWM's Command Centre and the officers on duty," he said.



**The new compactor is capable of compressing an assortment of solid waste**

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# Building a greater Selangor

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**M**alaysians were all taken by surprise on September 17 when Prime Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Najib Razak announced that he had a sudden press conference lined up.

It would be a major announcement, he promised, as the order to cover the press conference was issued to major mainstream media outlets. Speculation turned to the possibility of Parliament being dissolved.

All that hype turned out to be about a single individual – a former Selangor Menteri Besar – wanting to return to Umno. His reason? To rejuvenate Umno and

to take Selangor away from PAKATAN. But at the end, the major press conference turned out to be the joke of the day.

But the story doesn't end there. From out of nowhere came the claim that three former Selangor Menteri Besars – all of whom have their fair share of scandals, mind you – would pool together their experience to take Selangor back again.

But Selangor citizens are way too familiar with the sordid pasts of these three former MBs. There isn't really a need to rehash their antics, it's all on the Internet, just a simple Google search will list their wrongdoings that have brought shame to the state and garnered the wrath of the Selangor Palace.

Truth be told, by recycling has-beens to strengthen Umno only reveals how weak the current Selangor Umno Chairman, Tan Sri Noh Omar, is.

In their mind, there isn't any more true Selangorians who have the youthful spirit, aura and charisma to bring a new direction and hope.

## Selangor isn't what it used to be

Selangor today is administered by a PAKATAN coalition that has carved a new path in the nation's history. PAKATAN's ability and the implementation of people-centric policies and initiatives have clearly provided benefits to the rakyat.

The Sultan of Selangor himself is very satisfied with the State Government's performance under the leadership of Dato' Menteri Besar, Dato' Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali. Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah has openly expressed his sentiments at several official events and at the Selangor State Assembly sittings.

The Sultan is also proud of the Dato' Menteri Besar's staunch stand at upholding the principles of the constitutional monarchy and parliamentary democracy, that are pillars to the state's peace and prosperity.

"In this, I am satisfied with the State Government's stable administration and with its placing its people-centric agenda above polemic and narrow politics," the Sultan decreed during a State Assembly sitting in March.

He also praised the State

Government's efforts when it managed to lift Selangor from poverty, registering a poverty level of 0.2% compared to the Malaysian average of 0.6%.

The situation reflected Selangor's impressive and competitive economic achievements in the face of today's challenges.

PAKATAN Chief Secretary, Datuk Saifuddin Abdullah said that the rakyat was now able to choose competent leaders well. He said that what would determine the fate of Selangor was not three former MBs but the entire electorate and citizens of Selangor.

DAP Election Strategic Director, Dr Ong Kian Ming said that voters in the state had easy access to information through social media and the Internet, and would not be so easily swayed by propaganda championed by the mainstream media.

## Building Selangor for the future

Selangor's story today is one of resounding success, due to good governance. Former Bank Negara Malaysia Deputy Director, Dr Rosli Yaakob said the Selangor Government's financial reserve is capable of exceeding

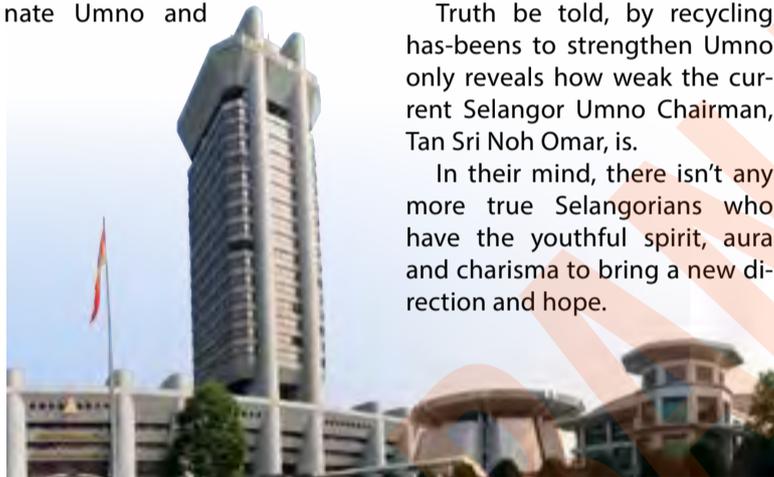
RM5 billion before 2020.

The moniker golden state given to Selangor is apt due to its status as the largest contributor to the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

The sterling performance was even more impressive when the Malaysian Statistics Department announced that Selangor's 2016 GDP was highest with a 22% increase compared to the 2015 data.

Therefore, it is in everyone's interest that Selangor continue to be managed and administered well for the future generation with renewed strength that will lift its citizens to greater heights. The best way to predict the future is if we have a hand in making it happen.

Selangor must continue blazing forward and towards a brighter future. The state's economy needs to be developed and managed in a sustainable manner that would put the Federal Government to shame. Selangor's current leadership has been tried and tested, and they stand ready to take the state to the next level, to fulfil the Smart Selangor agenda to become an internationally-acclaimed state capable of taking on any challenges that lie ahead.



## PKNS wins international awards

**SHAH ALAM** -PKNS has received a double boost at The Citiscape Awards for Emerging Markets, one of architecture's internationally prestigious awards, that took place at Dubai World Trade Centre, United Arab Emirates on September 11, 2017.

The PKNS Headquarters building located at Seksyen 14, Shah Alam with its interesting and quality architecture won two categories out of 11 categories contested.

PKNS CEO Hajah Noraida binti Haji Mohd Yusof said, "PKNS is proud because it is the only building in Malaysia to have received this honour and crowned as the best and successfully dominated the 'Commercial Project Award' category.

"For the 'Sustainability Project Award' category, PKNS is the only representative from Malaysia that was able to fend off challengers from Hong Kong and the UAE. PKNS is now on par with other international winners from Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Argentina, Brazil, India and Bangladesh," she added.

"The two awards won proves that the PKNS Headquarters can be an world class icon in Shah Alam. I believe it is capable of inspiring and motivating PKNS employees to provide better quality service while working in a conducive and high technology environment.

"This success is not only a source of pride for PKNS, but also a victory for Selangor and Malaysia in general," she added.

KEO International Consultants Corporate Sustainability Executive Director Holley

Chant, who was a judge for the Sustainability Category, had this to say, "This project proves that good performance can give birth to quality product. This shows that environmental conservation born of development can be a high quality asset."

Eleven categories were contested in this edition and were evaluated by a panel of 18 experts from various illustrious firms such as Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, Mace Macro International and HLM Architects.

The awards were presented to the PKNS repre-

sentative, Wan Muhd Hisham Bin Wan Hawari, Head Architect and also to Mohd. Zahid Bin Hashim, Chief Structural Engineer at a gala dinner recently.

The PKNS Headquarters has previously receive the Asia Pacific Property Awards Development 2013-2014 for Best Development Malaysia category, Platinum Design Assessment of Green Building Index (CBI) Award, Best CBI Rated Corporate Office by Prestigious Developer Award and Gold Award for 'Commercial Low Rise' category from the Malaysian Architects' Association.





### RUMAH SELANGORKU

Type	Price
A	RM42,000
B	RM100,000
C	RM200,000
D	RM220,000 - RM250,000

# 97,432 units approved since 2014

BY LIZAWATI MADFA

**SHAH ALAM** – As many as 169 Rumah Selangorku housing projects have been approved since 2014 with a total of 97,432 units throughout Selangor.

Selangor Housing and Property Board Executive Director Norzaton Aini Mohd Kassim said a total of 1,252 units from seven projects already completed included 932 Type C units and 320

Type D units.

She said that it included Rumah Selangorku projects in Hulu Langat, Shah Alam, Ampang Jaya, Kajang, Sepang, Hulu Selangor dan Kuala Selangor.

“The highest number of approvals was in 2015 with 85 projects with 59,644 units.

“From that total, 734 units are from two completed projects, while 17,817 units (22 projects) are still under construction and

41,093 units (61 projects) are in planning stages,” she said.

In 2014, as many as 37 projects were approved, encompassing 11,768 units with 518 units (five projects) completed while the remaining 4,380 (13 projects) in construction and 6,879 units (19 projects) in planning. In 2016, 25 projects were approved with 8,881 units and all are still in planning stage.

## Maintain bunds against high tides

**KLANG** - Bund maintenance in several areas in Selangor have been conducted since early this year as preparation against the high tides, said Zaidy Abdul Talib.

The Infrastructure, Public Amenities, Agricultural Modernisation and Agro-Based Industries Exco said upgrading works were done to ensure low bunds achieved the specified height.

“Low bunds have been raised, while broken bunds have been reinforced so that it can withstand high tides with all preparations made way early thanks to last year’s experience,” he said.

Zaidy said, maintenance of the borrow pit that is located after the bund has been done as a containment area for water spillage. He said that the authorities were also conducting maintenance on drains to ensure that the drainage system functions well in the event of an incident.

“When excess water passes



**Zaidy accompanied by Meru Assemblyman, Dr Abdul Rani Osman looking at the bund upgrading work site for at Persiaran Hamzah Alang, Meru, on September 21**

the bund, the borrow pit will be where the water is contained.

“Upgrading work has been implemented in all levels of

the government including the Drainage and Irrigation Department, Public Works Department and local authorities,” he said.

## Don't believe cheap house offers easily

**SHAH ALAM** - The public is urged to not simply believe any scheme that offers house purchases at low prices to avoid being cheated and suffer losses of up to tens of thousands of ringgit.

Housing, Building Management and Urban Settlement Exco, Dato' Iskandar Abdul Samad said he did not deny that there are some companies that take the opportunity to profit easily by taking advantage of people who want to have their own homes.

“We worry if there are parties who offer houses at low prices because there might be the possibility that the houses won't be

built at all, can't be completed, of low quality or with dubious land status.

“It is very peculiar when there are those who offer house prices that are very low, while big developers with deep finances have to depend on other housing projects to ensure all their affordable housing projects are completed,” he said when contacted by SelangorKini.

He said the public needs to take the opportunity through the Rumah Selangorku housing scheme offered by the State Government which is more secure compared to companies that seem to offer houses on the cheap.



## Rumah Selangorku projects on schedule

**SHAH ALAM** - The State Government is confident that 22,000 Rumah Selangorku units that are in construction out of the 97,432 units approved can be completed within schedule.

Housing, Building Management and Urban Settlement Exco, Dato' Iskandar Abdul Samad said that the State Government will continue monitoring the projects involved to ensure that buyers are not burdened needlessly.

“The State Government itself monitors closely because we understand the desperate need for the public to own their own homes instead of renting,” he said when contacted by SelangorKini.

He said, however, the Federal Government must study the terms and conditions set by Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) to help the rakyat own their own homes and not pressure them with various conditions especially those who have financial issues.

He said the State Government has taken various proactive ac-

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Housing, Building Management and Urban Settlement Exco

tions to help the public, especially the lower income group, to own their own homes by creating various schemes involving the housing sector in the Peduli Rakyat initiatives.

# Celebrating Malaysia's home-grown eco film fest



**kleff**  
The 10th International Kuala Lumpur Eco Film Fest



## KLEFF - Showcasing environmental issues through film

THE Kuala Lumpur Eco Film Fest (KLEFF) is a home grown not-for-profit festival with a focus on environmental issues. This year the festival is exceptionally special as it celebrates its 10th anniversary.

KLEFF 2017 will take place from October 23 to October 29 at Publika, Solaris Dutamas with a variety of engaging activities, including:

Film screenings of 86 ground-breaking films by local and international film-makers.

Three Sustainability Forums by 17 prominent speakers and advocates for sustainability discussing topics of sustainable food production, role of youths in sustainable development and women's leadership in sustainability

A nature-themed creative and visual art exhibition called Wajah Bumi featuring six local and international visual artists

The Green Market featuring more than 40 local and international businesses, NGOs and social enterprises promoting responsible consumerism

16 environment-themed workshops and talks by sustainability leaders with the aim of inspiring the public to adopt a more sustainable lifestyle

Green Vibes showcasing local indigenous performances and musicians in the spirit of artistry and virtuosity

For more information, visit the festival website at [www.kleff.my](http://www.kleff.my).



**D**id you know that every year, Malaysia actually has a film festival dedicated to environmental causes?

It's called the Kuala Lumpur Eco Film Fest (KLEFF), and it's taking place for the 10th year from October 23 to October 29, at Publika, Solaris Dutamas.

Now you might know of the festival, but do you know how it all began? SelangorKini recently caught up with its founder, Yasmin Rasyid to find out more about this little green gem, and its 10-year journey.

and awareness back then." "For some NGOs, public engagement is not necessarily their strength and among the environmental advocates and NGOs, there is a high tendency that whatever event we organise attracts the "converted" crowd.

"So it's hard to attract new faces and people to a green program or event with the aim of reaching out to more people, and mobilising society to push for a better environment," she added.

And so, during a teh tarik session with fellow EcoKnights officer Taq Latiff, Yasmin laid the foundation of what would be Malaysia's first and biggest environmental film festival.

"We were throwing all sorts of wacky ideas on how to get the young, like him, to come out, and be more engaged in an environment-themed programme.

"I love films, still do and so does Taq, and we both recognised the power of audio visual media, and how it can move people, provide a point of realisation, or at least inform the uninformed about lat-

est stories that can really give the audience a glimpse of what is happening to our planet," she recalled.

It took them six months to plan the first film festival, which was dubbed EFF, and it

was held at ASWARA near Padang Merbok. They were amazed by the support they received from the radio network and it slowly dawned on them that EFF was the first environment-themed festival ever in the country.

"I then realised that the festival may have the potential to do more, and for more people," Yasmin said.

### Ten years DOWN THE ROAD

KLEFF, as it is known now, is still fairly young in comparison with other film festivals, especially in the global sense. Nonetheless, the festival has achieved some milestones that are remarkable achievements in their own right, something Yasmin hopes will continue to drive them and the festival to leave a bigger mark on society.



Yasmin Rasyid



KLEFF has been instrumental in promoting and branding the environmental cause over the years, especially in Malaysia. Its impact is clearly evident not only in the media coverage and exposure the festival has received, but more importantly, in terms of the film submissions from local and international filmmakers.

"In 2008, we only had 12 environmental film submissions," shared Yasmin, "but today we received more than 300 submissions annually."

"I would like to think that we have managed to, over the last decade, to generate local and global interest in participating in KLEFF, and in believing that KLEFF is an Asean platform that can help advance the important environmen-

tal messages of their films."

An interesting development that was due to KLEFF is the Green Market, an attraction within the festival that has been generating sales for green businesses and NGOs that participate in KLEFF.

She points out the benefits by saying, "What we do is track the festival's impact on promoting sustainable consumption and production among the general public, basically to encourage responsible consumer through the purchase of products that are eco-friendly or green.

"And we are hopeful that responsible consumerism can be scaled up beyond KLEFF as almost all of our participating green vendors record great sales over the weekend and additionally, are

able to promote their cause and effort."

What is a cause without its people? In this aspect, KLEFF shines. The rate of volunteerism among the younger generation has increased tremendously, said Yasmin.

"We used to get like 100 volunteers back in 2008, but this year, close to 700 young people, local and international, urban and

rural, of various backgrounds, ethnicity and age, have signed up to volunteer. So this is a real encouraging sign. It means the younger generation are keen and interested to be part of a cause like KLEFF."

### IT'S TOUGH BEING GREEN

Yasmin admitted that KLEFF, while satisfying, came with its own set of challenges. Like all events, sourcing for partnerships, financial support and contributions was tough.

Being apolitical, independent and free from any influence did make things a bit harder when it came to fundraising, especially among corporations and government entities.

"I remember back in 2009, when we had no partners, no funds, and absolutely no venue," she recalled.

"We reached out to close friends and supporters and pulled off a four-weekend film screening programme at Palate Pallette, near Changkat Bukit Bintang.

"We made use of whatever space we had and whatever support we could find. When we needed space for some performances, we did it on the streets in front of Palate Pallette."

Challenges didn't hold KLEFF back, they made it even stronger.

"My motto back then was, if the festival continues to attract a crowd, albeit a small group, it's worth continuing to make sure it happens and touches Malaysians," she shared.

### A DECADE OF FILMS AND MEMORIES

"The best times I've had at KLEFF were with the EcoKnights team who work so hard to make KLEFF a special festival for everyone," Yasmin said.

"The volunteers are the machinery that makes the festival rock.

"So my best and memorable moments in the last ten years are all about spending my time with the people who are behind the

scenes and who make sure that KLEFF delivers the best experience to the public."

So does the festival really deliver the best experience?

To Malaysians who have been supporting festival since day one, those who have a strong interest in environmental issues, and more importantly, the audience who have become fans of KLEFF, the answer is a resounding YES.

Every year, these individuals come together to support the goal and mission of KLEFF. And the crowd keeps on growing with each year, as people gradually bring along their friends and family.

"This is my dream, to see how KLEFF can be assimilated in to the lives of everyday Malaysians up to the point where KLEFF becomes a household name for them and their friends and loved ones," said Yasmin.

"I want to see KLEFF continue to grow and reach out to more Malaysians. I really want to see some corporate or private support to help us grow and reach out to more people outside the Klang Valley with our films and programmes.

"I really believe this will help us enhance the awareness of new unconverted and non-believers of sustainability, and to get them to take part," she said with a smile.



# Maximising depression treatments with therapy

**A**ugmenting conventional, pharmaceutical-based treatment of depression with cognitive behavioural therapy reduces depressive symptoms of Malaysians more over a shorter period of time than other treatment methods, according to a study in the journal *Social Sciences and Humanities*.

Cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT) is a form of “talk therapy” designed to give patients the skills to identify and interrupt patterns of negative thinking and reflexive behaviours that may contribute to mental health problems.

A team of researchers from Universiti Putra Malaysia, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, and the University of Queensland in Australia analysed the effect of CBT on Malaysians. They found that patients treated with CBT along with medication showed greater improvement in a shorter amount of time than other treatment groups.

The research suggests that Malaysian health officials should

consider providing CBT in a group setting as a supplement to drug-centred therapy. This would help maximise potential benefits in the face of limited mental healthcare budgets.

“Our findings have important implications for how depression is treated in Malaysia,” said lead researcher Low Jia Liang. “It’s possible that using CBT in conjunction with pharmacotherapy could bring about significant improvements more quickly, and thereby maximise the impact of constrained health care resources.”

As in the rest of the world, depression is a major health concern in Malaysia. The World Health Organization estimates 350 million people suffer from the mood disorder. Within Malaysia, the Institute of Public Health reports that 2.3 million people are at risk for depression within their lifetimes, while other research pegs the incidence of depression in parts of the country as high as 10.3%.

Numerous international studies have indicated that CBT can provide effective treatment for

depression. However, almost all of those studies have been conducted in Western countries. That raises concerns that cultural differences – for example, the difference between the “individualistic” nature of Western societies versus the “collectivist” outlook in Asia – may make CBT less effective for Asian patients.

To design a robust study for Malaysia, the researchers made sure participants reflected the diverse ethnic composition of the country. Participants were divided into three groups: a third received CBT and treatment with anti-depressants; another third were treated solely with anti-depressants; and the final cohort received “relaxation therapy,” where they learned physical and mental relaxation techniques, alongside anti-depressants.

Patients in the group treated with CBT along with medication fared better than the other two groups. “What this tells us,” said Low Jia Liang, “is that the conventional wisdom about the effectiveness of CBT holds true in the Malaysian context.”

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## Spotting depression before it's too late

### Here are some signs of depression:

- Feelings of sadness, tearfulness, emptiness or hopelessness
- Angry outbursts, irritability or frustration, even over small matters
- Loss of interest or pleasure in most or all normal activities, such as sex, hobbies or sports
- Sleep disturbances, including insomnia or sleeping too much
- Tiredness and lack of energy, so even small tasks take extra effort
- Reduced appetite and weight loss or increased cravings for food and weight gain
- Anxiety, agitation or restlessness
- Slowed thinking, speaking or body movements
- Feelings of worthlessness or guilt, fixating on past failures or self-blame
- Trouble thinking, concentrating, making decisions and remembering things
- Frequent or recurrent thoughts of death, suicidal thoughts, suicide attempts or suicide
- Unexplained physical problems, such as back pain or headaches

**W**hile the main causes of depression may not be known currently, its effects can be devastating not only to those who suffer from depression but also their family and friends.

Many depressed people never get help, because they do not realise that their physical symptoms are caused by depression. Sometimes even doctors miss these signs too.

Depression can cause real changes in the body. For instance, it can slow down digestion, which can result in stomach problems.

Therefore, it is vital that we educate ourselves to recognise the symptoms of depression.

If you feel depressed, make an appointment to see your doctor or mental health professional as soon as you can. If you're reluctant to seek treatment, talk to a friend or loved one, any health care professional, a spiritual leader, or someone else you trust.

And always remember that you are not ALONE.





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# Consumer Price Index increases



BY MOHD EZLI MASHUT

**SHAH ALAM** - The overall Consumer Price Index (CPI) rose at a higher rate of 3.7% to 119.9 in August 2017 from 115.6 in the corresponding month of the preceding year.

The Malaysian Statistic Department in a report issued on September 20 stated that among the major groups which recorded increases were the indices for Transport (+11.7%), Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages (+4.3%), Restaurants and Hotels (+2.8%).

Meanwhile, other increases included Health (+2.7%), Furnishings, Household Equipment & Routine Household Maintenance (+2.7%) and Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas & Other Fuels (+2.4%).

The index of transport group showed a significant increase of

11.7% on a year-on-year basis in August 2017, after rising 7.7% in July 2017.

The average price of 1 litre of RON95 petrol was RM2.12 in August 2017 compared to RM1.75 in August 2016.

As for RON97, the average price increased to RM2.39 in August 2017 compared to RM2.10 in August 2016.

Fuels & lubricants for personal transport equipment accounted for 7.8% of the CPI weights.

The index for Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages which accounted 30.2% in the CPI weights, increased 4.3% in August 2017. The increase was driven by food sub-group index which comprised of Oils and Fats (+39.2%), Fish & Seafood (+8.1%), Fruits (+3.2%) and Vegetables (+2.9%).

## 10% GST after General Election?

**SHAH ALAM** - The Barisan Nasional (BN) government is expected to increase the Goods and Services Tax (GST) rate if it continues to be given the mandate by voters in the 14th General Election.

KEADILAN Vice President, Nurul Izzah Anwar said Datuk Seri Najib Razak's leadership as prime minister is likely to increase the tax up to 10%.

"Who is to blame? Surely the political leadership in the country that decided to introduce GST.

"Now it's six percent. Wait, let Najib win again, and it'll go up to 10%," she was quoted as saying by a Sinar Harian report.

She made the comment at the Wanita Penentu Masa Depan

Negara Forum, at Kampung Maju Jaya, Johor Bharu recently.

Nurul Izzah said the GST was introduced by the government, claiming that it would reduce the prices of basic necessities to really low levels.

She noted, however, that research has shown that eight out of 12 basic necessities have increased in price.

"Among the main women's agenda in Pakatan Harapan is to fight for the GST issue and for work opportunities for graduates," she said.



## Mackerel up by 13.6%, cuttlefish 8.2%

**SHAH ALAM** - The Malaysian Statistics Department reported that among the index of food items which recorded notable increases in August 2017 compared to the same period of last year were Cooking Oil (+48.9%), Indian Mackerel (Fish) (+13.6%), Cuttlefish (+8.2%), Hardtail Scad (Fish) (+7.7%), Spanish Mackerel (Fish) (+6.4%), Prawn (+5.6%), Spinach (+4.8%), Round Cabbage (+4.7%) and Choy Sum

(+2.6%).

Meanwhile, decreases were registered in the index of some food items such as Hen's Eggs (-5.9%), Carrots (-2.4%) and Onions, Big (-0.5%).

The increase in the index for Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages was reflected in most states in Malaysia especially those in highly urbanised states such as Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur, Selangor and Wilayah Persekutuan Putrajaya, Pen-

ang, Johor and Melaka.

Six states recorded higher increases for Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages index above the national level index for August 2017 compared with the corresponding month in 2016.

The index for Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages rose 5.0% in Johor, 4.9% in Melaka, 4.8% in Penang, 4.8% in Sabah and Labuan, 4.8% in Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur and 4.5% in Kedah and Perlis.



Shafie Ngah launching Pasar Malam Patuh Syariah at Seksyen 16 Bandar Baru Bangi to push for solat issues

# A clean and prosperous Bangi

BY NORHAYATI UMOR

**SHAH ALAM** - Efforts will continue to be implemented to ensure that Bandar Baru Bangi will become a clean and prosperous town free of immoral activities.

Bangi Assemblyman, Shafie Ngah said he was committed in implementing the Bangi Bersih campaign together with Kajang Municipal Council (MPKJ), non-governmental organisations (NGO) and residents' associations to realise the effort.

"This means that Bangi will not only be clean from the sense of

environment but also free from deviant teachings, social ills, illicit entertainment and alcohol.

"Various approaches will be implemented to realise this hope such as initiatives by political leaders and government, NGOs and residents' associations," he said.

Shafie said it is the hope of locals not to allow food outlets to operate after 12 midnight.

He said this was believed to contribute to social ills such as truancy, drug addiction, gangsterism and free sex among youth.

"To achieve this effort, the as-

semblyman and MPKJ are working together to draft a suitable action plan together with the cooperation of government agencies such as the police, residents and NGOs," he said.

At the same time, Shafie said he welcomed the stop of alcohol sales at hypermarts such as Giant in Kipmall Bangi recently.

He said that the action was a result of written objections by the Bandar Baru Bangi Residents Association and the Coalition of Mosques and Suraus of Bangi Constituency representing Bandar Baru Bangi residents.

## MCA bought government land at RM1 per sqft

**PETALING JAYA** - MCA is claimed to have bought government owned land at the price of RM1 per square foot at Kampung Chempaka, said Yeo Bee Yin.

The Damansara Utama Assemblyman said that the sale was done in 2007 when the State Government was still helmed by Barisan Nasional (BN).

She said that the land concerned was zoned as a water body and was sold to the MCA without them having to pay a premium.

"We feel that it is odd how MCA can own land classified as 'water body'.

"How brazen of BN to do such a thing, in fact they were brazen enough to apply for a change of zone although the current State Government is led by PAKATAN," she

said through her Instagram account @yeobeeyin.

Yeo revealed that the matter came to light when MCA submitted an application to change the water body status to commercial status to the Petaling Jaya City Council (MBPJ) early this year.

"BN is very sick, I hope that the rakyat will reject politicians who misuse their power to enrich themselves and their cronies," she said.

Petaling Jaya Utara Member of Parliament, Tony Pua said the sale was done through former MCA Parliamentarian Datin Paduka Chew Mei Fun.

He said the land was valued at RM400 per square feet at least with a total value of RM18 million, yet it was sold at a price of RM50,000 to MCA.



## RM11,000 aid for P3KU



**SUBANG JAYA** - The Subang Jaya 30KM Ride For Autism successfully raised RM11,000 in aid for the Persatuan KanakKanak Kurang Upaya (P3KU) Subang Jaya.

The aid will be used to increase activities to help autism sufferers under the association.

Subang Jaya Assemblyman, Hannah Yeoh said the bicycling event was organised to create awareness among the public, especially parents who have autistic children so that they can be provided with training and education.

"In conjunction with Malaysia Day celebrations, we hope that

parents will be more aware of autism symptoms and get early treatment for their children," she said.

The 30 kilometre ride began around 7.00am from the Kompleks 3K, Subang Jaya Municipal Council (MPSJ) all around Bandar Sunway, USJ area, SS area and ended at the Kompleks 3K around 10.30am.

The ride was organised by the Zone 3 Residents' Committee, and was flagged off by Yeoh and Kelana Jaya Member of Parliament, Wong Chen along with Deputy Yang Dipertua MPSJ, Mohd Zulkurnain Che Ali.

# 3,000 participate in MPS Health Carnival

BY SYAZWANI SUFIAN

**SHAH ALAM** - Over 3,000 participants visited the Selangor Health Carnival and Malaysia Day Celebration organised by Selayang Municipal Council recently.

MPS Corporate Department Director, Mohamad Zin Masoad said the council encourages the public to adopt a healthy lifestyle to maintain their health as well as to continually have a healthy diet.

"Various activities were conducted on that day, including taking 10,000 steps, handing out Tabung Warisan Anak Selangor (TAWAS) school bags, mammo-gram checks, health food promotion, blood donation drive and

dengue awareness programme.

"In addition, the main objective of the programme was to promote the application for Peduli Sihat Scheme that is run by the State Government," he said in a statement.

The handing over of aerosol cans were also held at the Rawang Bus Station to public transport drivers in conjunction with Spray Before Operating Campaign.

"This campaign is to encourage all public transport to ensure their service is free from the dengue-carrying Aedes mosquito," he said.

Also present were Health, Welfare, Women and Family Development Exco, Dr Daroyah Alwi and elected officials.



MDKL seizing lorries involved in illegal waste dumping activities

## Illegal dumping: 6 investigations, 4 lorries seized

**KUALA LANGAT** - The lackadaisical attitude of the general public coupled with insensitivity towards waste dumping issues have caused complications for local authorities and created illegal dump sites.

Kuala Langat District Council (MDKL) Yang Dipertua, Mohamad Zain A Hamid said as many as 30 illegal waste operations were conducted between January and August to curb this immoral problem from festering.

"This attitude usually results in the failure of many parties

to combat the illegal dumping issue in the right and proper manner and also contributes to the creation of illegal dump sites," he said in a statement.

Mohamad Zain said that in operations conducted, MDKL identified three illegal dump hotspots involving the areas of Bandar Saujana Putra, Kanchong Darat and Bukit Changgang.

He said out of 30 operations, as many as 44 offence notices were issued to offenders who were found dumping garbage illegally.

He said that MDKL also managed to seize four lorries in the operations.

"In addition, 6 files were opened for the purpose of investigations and further action will be taken.

"The seizures are due to illegal dumping in areas not allowed by MDKL under the by-laws," he said.

He added that offenders will be taken to court for not settling the compound and if convicted, may be fined a maximum of RM2,000.

## Preparations to face the high tide

**SHAH ALAM** - The Kuala Langat District Council (MDKL) has ordered its 16-member Pantas Squad to be prepared to face the high tide phenomenon.

MDKL Yang Dipertua, Mohamad Zain A Hamid said the council was ready to respond to any locations should there any incident arise.

"We are ready and waiting for orders to assist from a logistical point such as lorries for evacuation and also to set up tents at relocation centres," he said.

Meanwhile, the Kuala Langat District and Land Office has ordered several security agencies to conduct patrols at several potential areas.

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**MOHAMAD ZAIN A HAMID**  
MDKL Yang Dipertua

monitor the areas from time to time including Pantai Kelanang and Persiaran Tanjung Sepat.

"All related agencies, especially the Drainage and Irrigation Department and MDKL, have been ordered to assist in monitoring efforts," he said.





# MPAJ a low carbon city by 2030

BY ERMIZI MUHAMAD

**AMPANG** - The Ampang Jaya Municipal Council (MPAJ) has targeted a reduction of carbon by 30% in its jurisdiction by 2030.

MPAJ Yang Dipertua, Abdul Hamid Hussein said the initiative implemented through the Ampang Jaya Low Carbon City Action Plan involved the participation of every level of society.

"It is one of the steps that can be taken into account through the

development of green neighbourhoods and the concept of planned land use in MPAJ.

"This development must be implemented with the support of all layers of society and stakeholders to achieve carbon reduction," he said during a speech at the Eko Hijau Ampang Jaya Bandar Rendah Karbon Fiesta at Auditorium MPAJ on September 19.

The low carbon initiative is implemented in conjunction with the Smart Selangor agenda that empha-

sises on the development of a green state. For the record, MPAJ is the third municipal council chosen to implement the low carbon city concept together with The Carbon Trust from the United Kingdom.

The initiative, implemented through green programmes, uses the Low Carbon Cities Framework (LCCF). The MPAJ low carbon campaign has set aside an allocation of RM15 million for implementation purposes as suggested by The Carbon Trust.

## Toyota champions Shah Alam Trees For Life

**SHAH ALAM** - Sejumlah RM10,000 disumbangkan Toyota Assembly Services Sdn Bhd (Toyota) has recently donated RM10,000 to help make the Shah Alam Trees For Life 2017 programme around the Seksyen U12 Watershed and Playground a success.

Shah Alam City Council (MBSA) Corporate and Public Communications Department Head, Shahrin Ahmad said as many as 2,500 saplings were planted in the area as part of the green programme.

"This programme is the initiative of MBSA together with Toyota to green the Shah Alam city landscape," he said in a statement.

The Shah Alam Trees For Life Programme was joined by 300 participants including 50 Toyota employees and 200 volunteers and MBSA staff.

Shahrin said MBSA remained committed to make Shah Alam a



**Shah Alam Trees For Life 2017 programme participants planting various saplings as part of the greening programme**

low carbon city by 2030 through various Green Shah Alam initiatives.

"This includes Shah Alam Car-

less Day, Green Pioneer, School Garden, Community Garden and the Shah Alam bicycle trek preparation," he added.

## MPK offers compound reduction

**KLANG** - Klang Municipal Council (MPK) is offering a parking compound reduction campaign in conjunction with Malaysia Day, beginning September 16 till October 15.

MPK Corporate Communications Director, Norfiza Mahfiz said the offer is for Parking Compound

and Traffic and Obstruction Compound (RM15) and for Heavy Vehicle Traffic Compound (RM200).

She said the compound reduction campaign in conjunction with Malaysia Day was held to encourage the public to take the opportunity to settle their compounds.

"The campaign was also held to help customers who don't have the opportunity to settle their previous compounds to settle them within the stipulated period.

"The public is urged to take this opportunity to settle all their compounds before the duration ends this October 15," she said in a statement.

Norfiza said payments can be made at the MPK Counter at Giant Bukit Tinggi, the MPK Mobile Van Counter and at counters at selected shopping malls that will be prepared as well as through online payments.



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## MBI Selangor committed to state agenda

**SHAH ALAM** - Selangor Menteri Besar Incorporated (MBI Selangor) remains committed to ensure the success of the implementation of the Smart Selangor programme, the rakyat's housing project and its corporate social responsibility programme.

MBI Selangor COO, Soffan Affendi Aminudin said it is the responsibility of MBI Selangor to provide the very best to the rakyat in order to fulfil the aspirations of a welfare state that is being championed by the State Government.

"We at MBI Selangor urge the rakyat to continue to support us so that this effort can benefit us all," he told SelangorKini recently.

He made the comments during MBI Selangor's 23rd Anniversary Celebrations at Bangunan Darul Ehsan, on September 21.

Around 1,000 Bangunan Darul Ehsan and MBI Selangor subsidiaries' employees joined in the celebration.

Soffan said the special celebration was organised to celebrate the employees' commitment and to strengthen ties.

"We also hope that all citizens will pray for the success of MBI Selangor's programmes," he added.



**We at MBI Selangor urge the rakyat to continue to support us so that this effort can benefit us all**

**SOFFAN AFFENDI**  
MBI Selangor COO



Tengku Amir posing for a group photo with some runners at Agro Run 2017 that managed to attract over 1,200 participants throughout Selangor

## Raja Muda of Selangor joins Agro Run 2017

**SHAH ALAM** - His Royal Highness the Raja Muda of Selangor, Tengku Amir Shah ibni Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah took some time off recently to attend the Agro Run 2017 on September 23.

The programme, which saw the participation of over 1,200 runners from all over the state, was organised by Selangor Youth Community (SAY) and Outdoor Pro Group.

The run was an opportunity for the public to participate in several categories of runs, including the 10 km and 5km, which offered cash prizes of RM4,000.

The run took place at Taman Botani Negara, and was attended by the Chief Secretary of the Agriculture and Agro-based Industries Ministry, Datuk Seri Dr Ismail Bakar.

At the run, the Raja Muda flagged off the participants of several categories. The programme was held in conjunction with National Farmers, Livestock Breeders and Fisherman's Day 2017.

Besides promoting the celebration, the programme also encouraged the public to adopt a healthy lifestyle in addition to introducing green agriculture industry to youth.

National Farmers, Livestock Breeders and Fisherman's Day 2017 will be held from September 28 to October 1 at the Malaysia Agro Exposition Park Serdang (MAEPS), Selangor.

## Revamp Red Giants, FAS

BY HAFIZAN TAIB

**SHAH ALAM** - The Football Association of Selangor (FAS) has been urged to revamp its football squad to allow Selangor to rise up and compete in the Super League and Malaysia Cup next season.

Anak Selangor Fan Club (ASFC) President, Mohd Faizal Wahid said that as a squad that is synonymous with a champion's tradition, something needs to be done to return The Red Giants to glory.

"Although they performed well early in the season, Selangor still failed to maintain its performance till the end of the season, taking only third place in the league and only managing to get to the quarterfinals of the Malaysia Cup before bowing out.

"We hope that FAS will make some changes by introducing some new faces, and also retain

players who performed well, such as team captain, Mohd Razman Roslan, Mohd Amri Yahya and Mohd Raimi Md Nor," he told SelangorKini.

He added that ASFC felt that the quartet of senior players were still needed to strengthen The Red Giants and to provide guidance to younger players.

He said that import players, Ugo Ukah, Rufino Segovia del Burgo and Andik Vermansyah also put on great performances and should probably be retained for the next season.

"We also hope that FAS management can reach a good understanding with the State Government for the sake of The Red Giants," he said.

After 20 league matches, Selangor is now fifth in the league with 30 points and its journey to the Malaysia Cup came to an end in the quarterfinals when they lost to Kedah with an aggregate of 4 -2.



Fans are hoping that FAS will make changes to the team line up by introducing new faces and retaining players who performed well



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