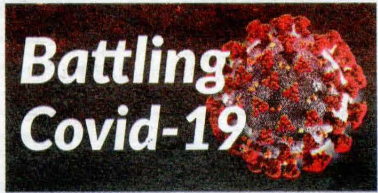


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# Mayor: Public cooperation vital for disinfection exercises

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KUALA Lumpur mayor Datuk Mahadi Che Ngah has urged the public to cooperate during disinfection exercises.

"This will be part of the new norm. "It is hoped that Kuala Lumpur will be free from the virus eventually," he said, reminding everyone to comply with the government's set standard operating procedures.

The six-lane road at Dataran Merdeka was mostly deserted on Saturday morning save for 80 men and women in bright orange suits spraying chemical disinfectant at the Sultan Abdul Samad Building.

Those wearing personal protective equipment of face mask, face shield and gloves sprayed the brick walls of the building.

They later split into smaller groups heading to Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman, Jalan Ampang, Jalan Bukit Nenas, Jalan

Petaling and Central Market. The disinfection exercise was a joint operation by Kuala Lumpur City Hall's (DBKL) Health and Environment Department and the Fire and Rescue Department.

Mahadi said the selected locations were popular places with the public and often frequented by the homeless.

"Our aim is to maintain the cleanliness of these areas that are often visited by people.

"We chose to conduct the operation on a weekend to ensure it went smoothly as there would be less traffic at that time," he said, adding that the disinfection exercise was carried out within 500m vicinity of the target locations.

Mahadi said such operations, to be conducted from time to time, were hoped to aid in limiting the Covid-19 transmission in the city.

Taska Puspanita DBKL on the second floor of Menara DBKL 1 in Jalan Raja Laut was also disinfected.



Mahadi (left) says disinfections will be carried out in the city regularly.