

DBKL removes illegal stalls along Jalan Langkawi

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KUALA Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) has seized equipment and demolished several illegal structures erected along the road reserve of Jalan Langkawi in Danau Kota, Kuala Lumpur.

Responding to complaints from stakeholders, Kuala Lumpur advisory board member Andre Lai said DBKL had taken action against traders running four large stalls and several smaller ones without a permit.

“There are about 26 stalls along Jalan Langkawi that have been operating for over two decades.

“Of these, four have static licences, some hold temporary permits but the majority operate illegally.

“DBKL will continue monitoring the situation and take action against those violating City Hall by-laws,” he said.

Lai said he had received many complaints from stakeholders, particularly local shop owners, about the nuisance caused by traders.

“Some of the stalls contribute to traffic congestion in the area as customers stop their vehicles close to the stalls to buy food.

“There are plans to reorganise and relocate licensed traders to a



DBKL workers clearing out the illegal stalls along Jalan Langkawi.

more suitable location, while all illegal stalls along the road reserve will be demolished.

“The current location is not ideal for traders and customers,” he added.

Lai said there were also safety concerns as some traders placed gas cylinders by the roadside.

StarMetro spoke to several business owners in the area and most urged DBKL to take action against the illegal businesses.

They claim that these stalls were occupying parking spaces intended for customers.

Hardware shop owner Tay Cheh Sen said food traders had been placing tables and chairs on parking bays.

“Many of my customers have complained that they cannot find parking in the commercial area because the traders are occupying the bays,” he said.

“Moreover, the traders set up



Rajendran says traders put tables and chairs on the five-foot way.

tables and chairs in front of the shops when it rains, and this negatively impacts my business.”

Barber Rajendran Palanisamy said the stalls often extend onto the five-foot ways, obstructing pedestrian paths.

“DBKL has previously confiscated their chairs and tables, but they reappear after a while,” he said, calling for stricter enforcement against these traders.

Snack seller Ee Han Ping said the traders had also attracted pests to the area.

“Sometimes, I spot mice running around the streets at night as the traders do not clean up their stalls properly when they are done for the day,” he added.