



Hard at work: The volunteers planting shrubs and cleaning up the road.



Doing their bit: Sunway University students getting their hands dirty.

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Residents and students clean up Subang Jaya zone

They spruce up targeted areas and plant shrubs

IN CONJUNCTION with the "Mini Zon Bersih" competition, residents of JKP Zone 1 turned out in full force for the second phase in their efforts to clean up and beautify targeted areas.

About 40 student volunteers from Sunway University alongside 30 SS13, SS14 and SS15 residents carried out the clean-up and shrub-planting along Jalan SS14/2, next to a petrol station there.

Some 200 shrubs were planted in an hour, thanks to the enthusiasm of all who showed up.

"We are very thankful to have the group of Sunway students so actively involved," said Subang Jaya assemblyman Hannah Yeoh.

"In fact, this renewal and beautification programme is encour-

aging because it involves the participation of both local residents as well as young people."

She added that while the planting of trees and shrubs was a necessity, Subang Jaya Municipal Council (MPSJ) often received complaints and requests for trees to be cut down.

"The only problem is maintenance. There needs to be a shift

in the mindsets of people to see that there is nothing wrong with the trees. We should actually plant more," she said.

Sunway student volunteer leaders of the day, 23-year-old Ngam Pei Rong and Choo Pik Ying, 20, said their society often collaborated with MPSJ for events such as these.

"It's our way of serving the

community and helping people. At the end of the day, we also feel quite happy and proud of our efforts," said Ngam.

JKP Zone 1 councillor Ken Chia is aiming to plant 1,000 trees this year.

The first phase saw the cleaning up and planting of 50 trees in SS18/1B.

Chia said JKP Zone 1 planned

to extend the project to Persiaran Kewajipan, the recycling centre in SS17 and the playground in SS15/2, among others.

On the issue of the rising dengue cases, Yeoh said the latest update was the identification of Aedes breeding grounds in school areas and a *gotong-royong* was taking place in school grounds the same morning.

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