

# Director at his wits' end

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**A**FTER three months of complaining to the relevant authorities and council of an illegal building project which is underway behind his factory, Citizen Envelopes Manufacturers Sdn Bhd marketing director Lo Sick Sang does not know what else to do. So far, no action has been taken. Recently, MCA Wilayah Perseke-

tuan Youth deputy chairman Yee Poh Ping visited the area situated in Taman Ehsan Industrial Park in Kepong only to see that the condition of Lo's factory had become worse.

The fence separating Lo's factory and the building behind is about to collapse while the floors are cracked.

There is no signboard to specify the project underway or naming the contractor.



Work still being carried out on the project despite a stop work order by MPS.



Yee checking on the factory's fence which has collapsed due to the construction work.

"I don't even know who to complain to anymore," said Lo.

Selangor Housing and Real Estate Board (LPHS) visited the site of the illegal project in September together with officers from the Selayang Municipal Council (MPS), Drainage and Irrigation Department (JPS), Department of Minerals and Geoscience (JMG), Public Works Department (JKR), Selangor Department of Environment (JAS) as well as Public Works Institute of Malaysia (Ikram).

Ikram then issued a letter, stating that

the used piling wall was built without approval from MPS and deemed unsafe. Ikram suggested that the piling should be demolished and replaced with a safer retaining wall like the R.E Wall or the R.C Wall and that it should be done within a month from the day the letter was issued.

However, a month later there was no change although a stop work order had been issued to the contractors by MPS after the visit.

Lo is upset because no action has been taken by the council after the visit. The

project site used to be an empty land filled with trees.

"We do not know when the piling used to construct the building's wall is going to collapse," said Lo, who fears not only for his factory but the safety of his workers as well.

Yee added that it seemed the authorities were unconcerned about illegal projects.

"We will wait until the end of this month for the owners to remove all the piling done and construct a proper wall according to the standards set by Ikram."