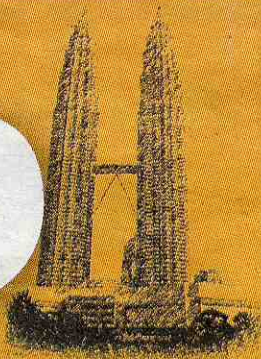


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## Out of bounds

**Exclusive**

A state-owned company, whose permit to mine sand along the Selangor river has expired, is now allegedly carrying out the activity on DID land. >3

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again**

The sand mining activity as seen from a distance off the main road from Persiaran Zuhrah 1 at Rasa, Hulu Selangor.

# Illegal sand mining at 'approved' site

## Company carries on at DID land despite expired permit

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A COMPANY, with a contract to mine sand along the Selangor river in Rasa, Hulu Selangor, has been found to be illegally extracting sand from a reserve land belonging to the Drainage and Irrigation Department (DID).

The company had also breached the terms and conditions of the permit by carrying out mining activity at the approved site after its permit had expired.

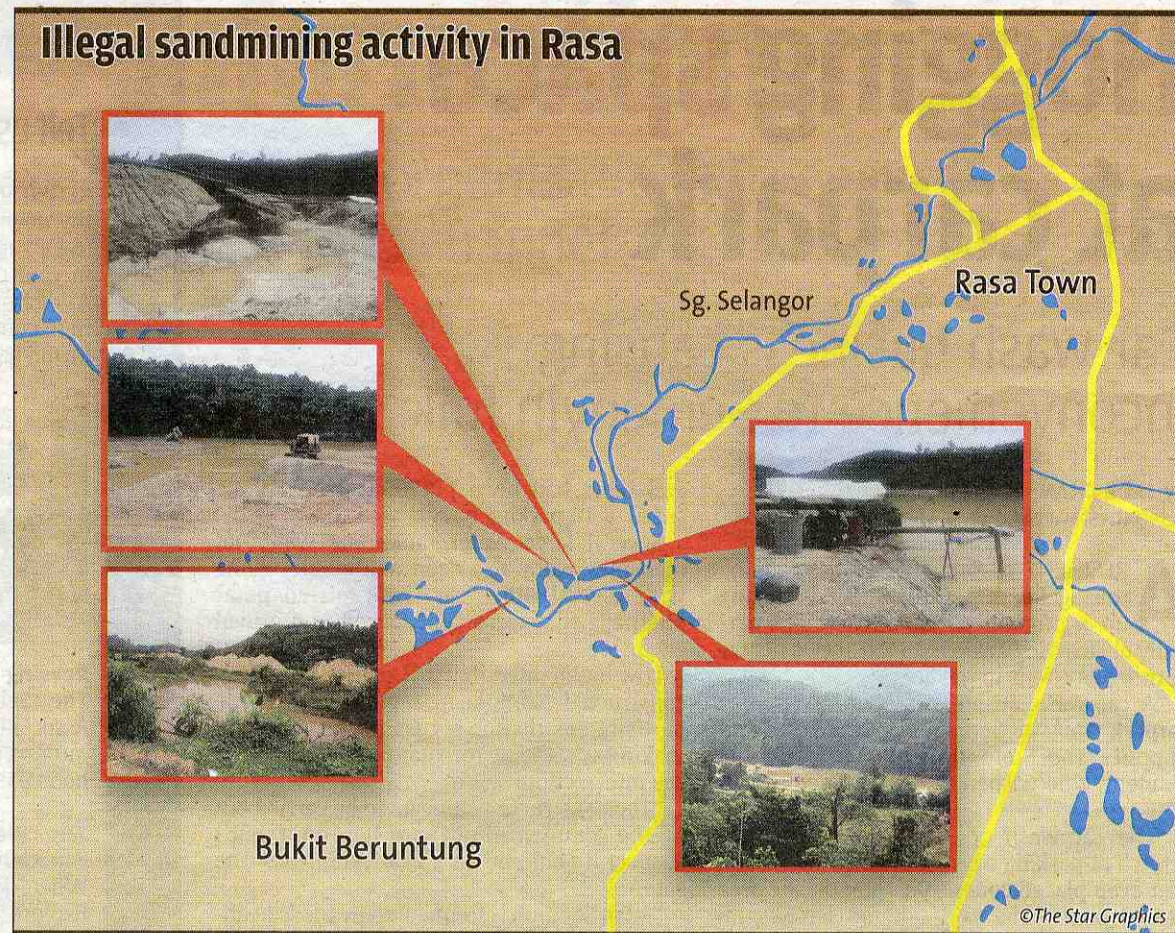
Checks by the *Starprobe* team found that the company was issued a permit to excavate sand along the Selangor river between April 1 and June 30 this year.

However, the company had

abused its rights based on the permit's regulations under Section 72 of the National Land Code.

The permit was awarded to Kumpulan Semesta Sdn Bhd, a state-owned company with rights to mine 20,000 cubic tonnes of sand along the Selangor river.

A community leader in Rasa, who tipped off *The Star* on the illegal activity, said the company has connections in the higher ranks and that this had enabled



them to carry out their activity without being caught.

He also alleged that official vehicles belonging to the Selangor government were seen at site.

"The mining activity is not only being carried out in the open, but also covers a vast area," he said

During a visit, the site was a

hive of activity, including heavy vehicles laden with sand plying the road from Rawang to Kuala Kubu Baru.

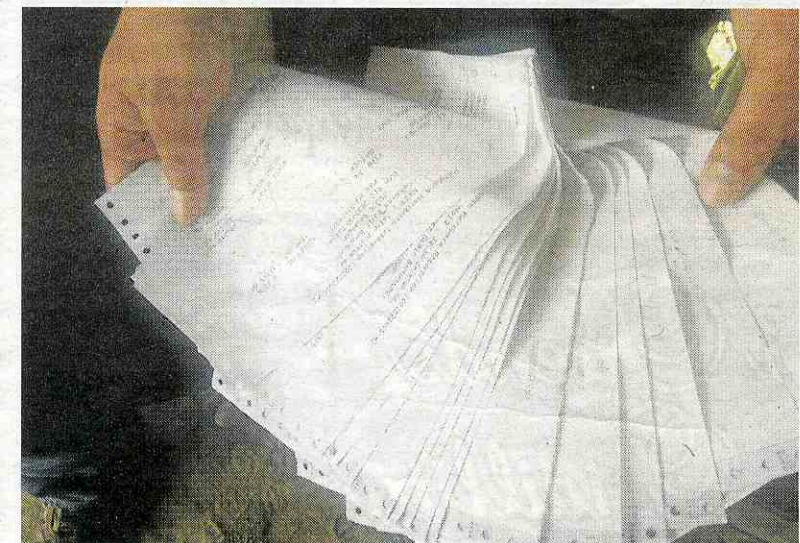
It is also learnt that lorries carrying sand from the area make as many as 40 trips daily between 8am and 6pm.

The current market price for

sand is RM600 per lorry.

In Rasa, the *Starprobe* team also discovered a temporary office belonging to the company set up at the site but no one was around at that time.

The community leader said the relevant authorities must take action against the company.



**Illegal documents:** Some of the false dockets used by the company to mine sand at the site.



### Tools of the trade:

A weighing area at the illegal sand mining site in Rasa where lorries are weighed before transporting the sand.