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Certainly not for display to the world

OLD HABITS DIE HARD ... With less than a year before the opening of the Kuala Lumpur '98 Games, there are already signs that the country's biggest sporting event will be marred by irresponsible rubbish disposal.

This picture was taken yesterday at the Bukit Jalil Hockey Stadium after the 1997 Commonwealth Games Village Run which was attended by the top brass of the Commonwealth Games Federation, including its president Prince Edward.

It was only a few weeks ago when Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad expressed disappointment at the Malaysian public's indifferent attitude towards littering.

It is a disturbing thought that such indiscriminate littering will tarnish the country's image and leave an indelible negative impression on foreigners who come for the Games.

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