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Dirty backlane attracts Minister's ire

PLEASE DO NOT LITTER ... This was the advice Health Minister Datuk Chua Jui Meng had for residents in the vicinity of the backlane of Jalan Johar 2, Taman Desa Cemerlang in Johor Baru, after seeing the ugly sight on Sunday.

He also commented that the lane was dirtier than Jalan Bukit Bintang in Kuala Lumpur.

Conditions on Jalan Bukit Bintang were highlighted in the media recently after Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad criticised litterbugs.

Chua visited the Jalan Johar 2 backlane after he officiated at the opening of Saga MCA branch office and service centre situated along the road.

"The people staying here should discipline themselves and stop littering. It is an inconsiderate action and this encourages the breeding of aedes mosquitoes.

"There should also be stricter enforcement," he added.

At a Press conference earlier, Chua urged the old folk to minimise their exposure to the haze as it might affect their health.

Old folk were more vulnerable as they were weaker and their lungs more sensitive and susceptible to respiratory disorders.

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