

## Complaint : Road Worthiness

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The accidents keep on happening!</p><p align="justify">WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT BODY that was established to conduct a survey on road construction in Malaysia?</p><p align="justify">My personal opinion is that nobody really cares or no one really dares to venture into this subject. But if there is something actually being done, its too slow or the public needs to know about it.<br />The moment I step into a car to drive, I face all kinds of risks on the roads or highways. Negligence on the part of drivers is not always or not the only cause. Road conditions, bad construction & maintenance have an equal part. Have you tried driving at night especially when it rains? The roads are hardly visible, the already faint lines dissappear, suspension get severely tested with the repeated 'surprise poorly repaired pot holes,' poorly lit bypass roads during road construction, junctions with poor lighting or no lights at all, never ending list.</p><p align="justify">We are talking about federal highways or trunk roads that have been left to rot ever since the rise of super tolled highways were introduced. My views are of Selangor roads that I can share the experience with. We are talking about infrastructure, roads that are supposed to be built by the Government using hard earned tax payers money. If need be, budget more for the roads if it could save more lives!</p><p align="justify">It boils down to improper planning. I have lived in this area for almost seven years. And I certainly have seen bad future planning or execution of its plans. Now, with the population density and volume of traffic increased five fold, the roads have not improved much. When housing estates and townships are built, feeder roads and trunk roads are still lacking. Isn't that contributing to higher road accidents? Putra Jaya Highway is opened but the poor little bridge at Sunway Semenyih/ JPJ is still struggles to be completed. Almost six to seven years then, the promise was made to deliver a highway to Seremban (KASIH). To date it has caused never ending hardship. Where is the seriousness in the promise? The trend is let the jam occur, put a deaf ear on the complaints, see lah what we can do! Where are the town regional planners, municipal directors, politicians, ???? Most important, where is the urgency in efforts to save lives?</p><p align="justify">The price we have to pay is in terms of lives lost. While the police have done an extremely good job of body counts, the relevant authorities have failed to reciprocate the various agencies to act promptly and seriously, to reduce road accidents.</p><p align="justify">I look forward to yr response on this issue, and to the report by the agency conducting the road survey.</p><p align="justify"><br />Thank you.</p><p align="justify">personal details withheld</p><p align="justify"> </p>