Pedestrians risking life and limb

DANGEROUS: A flooded underpass near the Jambatan Kota roundabout in Klang is forcing pedestrians to dash across busy roads.

PEDESTRIANS are forced to cross roads with heavy traffic because they can't use the underpass near the Jambatan Kota roundabout in North Klang as it is flooded by a few inches of stagnant water.

Klang Consumers Association president A. Peraham said, "Pedestrians are risking life and limb when they cross these roads, which have heavy traffic."

The underpass is below two roads — one which leads to Port Klang and Banting. 
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while the other heads towards North Klang.

Devdas said: "Many people use this underpass every day to go to the bus and taxi terminals and also to do their shopping at the nearby shops and complexes."

During the Chinese New Year holidays, many people were seen dashing across the busy stretches, forcing motorists to brake suddenly to avoid hitting the pedestrians.

The subway links Klang Plaza (where the North Klang bus and taxi terminal is located) and Shaw Centre Point.

"I made a complaint with the Klang Municipal Council (MMP). They replied a week later saying that issues regarding the underpass does not come under its purview," said Devdas.

"MPK told me to lodge a complaint with the Public Works Department in Klang. Though an officer there agreed to look into the matter but so far nothing has been done to resolve the problem."

He added that the underpass remains flooded even when it doesn't rain.

"Even during the dry season, the underpass is flooded. The authorities should fix this problem and see whether there are structural defects and start repair works soon."

"They should also explain to us what is causing the underpass to be flooded."

During a visit to streets, many pedestrians were seen running away from the underpass and heading toward the roads to get to the other side. Many parents were dashin across the busy streets with their children.

A cyclist was seen cycling down the underpass while a woman lifted her dress as she was through the water.