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# 'Alien' invasion near Putrajaya irks residents

## Locals who live near Malaysia's administrative capital say the 6,000 illegal immigrants who have set up a squatter 'village' are a nuisance

SEPANG — About 6,000 illegal immigrants have set up squatter tents in a rubber estate near here, to the chagrin of local residents there.

Most of the immigrants who have encroached on the state land in Kampung Limau Manis, near Sepang, are believed to have entered the country illegally, Berita Harian Malaysia reported yesterday.

Secretary of the Limau Manis Village Development and Security Committee, Ariffin Samsuddin, said local residents were concerned about the presence of "aliens" because of frequent fights and gambling.

"Most worrying are fights among themselves which are

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among themselves which occasionally spread to our village," he said.

Violent clashes broke out between two rival groups of Indonesians who went on a rampage in nearby Putrajaya and Cyberjaya last Sunday.

Malaysian police and firemen took three hours to bring the fights under control, leading to the arrests of



some 200 Indonesians from Aceh and Madura.

Selangor Mentri Besar Datuk Abu Hassan Omar yesterday called for a full report on the immigrants.

"The state government is concerned over the illegal occupation of government land by foreigners as it can lead to security problems," Bernama quoted him as saying yesterday.

According to Berita Harian, the immigrants had built huts and tents in the rubber estate. Many local residents now fear going there to tap rubber.

Mr Ariffin, who lives in the estate, said a large number of the immigrants came from Indonesia's Aceh, Madura, and Java while others were from Pakistan, Myanmar and Bangladesh.

They live in groups, according to their ethnicity.

According to the Malay daily, the immigrants quarters, named "Aceh Village," has its own prayer house and chain of small shops. It even has its own leader.

"A night market is held



every day and fight occur frequently," he said.

Apart from setting up small shops, many also work in the construction site at Putrajaya, the country's administrative capital.

Mr Ariffin said the police and immigration department had conducted several raids to flush them out, but the illegal immigrants kept coming back in numbers.

Another villager, Mr Ahmad Jahara, said some of



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them had also set up gambling dens.

"I've been chased by one of the immigrants armed with a machete for making a police report," he said.

"We hope the authorities will solve this problem soon for the safety of the residents."

Meanwhile, about 500 Indonesian illegal immigrants were deported yesterday through the Malacca Port.

Bernama yesterday quoted an Immigration spokesman as saying that the Indonesians, all men aged between 19 and 40, boarded two ferries bound for Dumai, in Sumatra.

On Thursday, more than 400 Indonesian illegal immigrants from the Pekan Nenas detention camp were deported through the same port.



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