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'Better public awareness of recycling'

KUALA LUMPUR: Alam Flora Sdn Bhd collected 2.5 million kg of recycled material in the city here, in Putrajaya and Pahang this year, a five-fold increase compared with 500,000kg in 2015. Its chief executive officer, Datuk Mohd Zain Hassan, said this showed that public awareness about recycling had improved. "Recycling has reduced the industry's dependence on natural resources such as trees," he said after launching the Nature Flora City Hunt #jom-rawatbumi at the Kuala Lumpur City Hall Square here yesterday. The programme, which entered its third year, saw 132 participants undertaking tasks and challenges related to cleanliness and the environment.

114,745 dengue cases, 158 deaths recorded

PUTRAJAYA: The Health Ministry recorded 114,745 dengue cases nationwide from Dec 30 to Saturday. Data provided by the ministry's National Dengue Operation Room (on its <http://idengue.remotesensing.gov.my> official website) yesterday showed that Selangor had the highest number of cases at 63,405. This was followed by Kuala Lumpur with 13,019 cases, Johor (9,703), Kelantan (5,396), Sabah (4,743), Penang (3,908), Perak (2,754), Pahang (2,391), Sarawak (2,191) and Negri Sembilan (2,046). Labuan recorded the lowest number of dengue cases at 35 compared with other states. The ministry recorded 158 dengue-related deaths from Jan 1 to Nov 9.