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QUESTIONNAIRES

Municipal Solid Waste Survey

1. Age : 12-19 / 20-29 / 30-39 / 40-49 / 50- 59 / 60 and above
2. Gender: Female Male
3. Occupation:
 - a. student
 - b. blue collar employee
 - c. white collar employee
 - d. businessman
 - e. housewife
 - f. others.....
4. Type of dwelling:
 - a. shop house
 - b. office
 - c. village house
 - d. single-storey terrace
 - e. double-storey terrace
 - f. apartments
 - g. Bungalow
 - h. squatter
5. Race
 - a. Malay
 - b. Chinese
 - c. Indian
 - d. Others.....
6. Number of occupants in the house
7. Total square feet of your premises
8. Total household income per month
 - a. <RM700
 - b. RM701- RM1500
 - c. RM1501-RM3000
 - d. RM3001- RM5000
 - e. More than RM5000
9. Highest level of education
 - a. primary school
 - b. secondary school
 - c. tertiary level
10. Size of your garbage bin
11. Types of garbage bin used
 - a. plastic bag
 - b. plastic bin
 - c. rubber bin
 - d. boxes
 - e. rattan basket
 - f. others

12. Do you know the meaning of 'recycling'? Yes No
13. Do you separate your waste according to types? YesNo
14. Do you know where the waste will be disposed of? YesNo
15. Pay As You Throw (PAYT) which charges household based on the weight of the waste generated is better than a fixed rate.
a. Agree b Disagree
16. With the implementation of PAYT, household dwellers will reduce the generation of waste for disposal to reduce the charges.
a. Agree b Disagree
17. PAYT is fair to all
a. Agree b Disagree
18. Do you support with the recycling program launched by the government?
a. Very supportive b. Support
c. not supporting d. not interested
19. Do you recycle?
YesNo
20. Will you support a recycling collection station?
YesNo
21. Will you separate your waste for recycling?
YesNo
22. Do you know that plastic is non-degradable?
YesNo
23. Will you support the notion to make the utilization of degradable plastic bags mandatory to all?
YesNo
24. Are you willing to purchase degradable plastic bags which would be 30% more expensive if it is implemented by the government?
YesNo
25. Solid waste management only involved certain parties.
YesNo

26. Wastes are products of human activities.
YesNo
27. Each Malaysian generates approximately 0.76 kg of MSW everyday.
YesNo
28. Plastics labeled "Degradable" is safe for the environment.
YesNo
29. Are you aware of incinerating faculties?
YesNo
30. Waste generated by the community is disposed of via incineration.
YesNo
31. Do you think that incineration is better than landfilling?
YesNo
32. Do you know that incineration can cause air pollution?
YesNo
33. The cost to construct an incineration in Malaysia is approximately RM1billion.
YesNo
34. The cost of incineration is more than RM3billion.
YesNo
35. MSW is disposed off into landfills.
YesNo
36. The environment has an unlimited capacity to received and accumulate the waste that we generate.
YesNo
37. Landfilling is a cheap and easy disposal option yet it contributes towards environmental pollution.
YesNo
38. Landfills generate hazardous compound and gas into the atmosphere.
YesNo
39. All landfills contaminate the groundwater system.
YesNo
40. Reducing waste generation is a long term solution to overcome disposal problems.
YesNo
41. I am willing to separate paper, plastics, and aluminum cans, and send it to a recycling center 10 km away from my place.
YesNo

42. "Reuse" means reutilizing a material for the same intended purpose or others.
YesNo
43. Compost is a black soil-like material produced from the degradation of organic waste.
YesNo
44. Are you willing to pay more for environmental friendly products?
YesNo
45. Do you agree that extra charges need to be imposed on plastics bags?
YesNo
46. Do you know what Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is?
YesNo
47. Are you aware that public participation is a part of an EIA preparation?
YesNo
48. Do you agree that more public participation in environmental issue can reduce the environmental degradation in the country?
YesNo
49. In your opinion, is environmental conservation and preservation more important than the development of the country?
YesNo
50. Do you know the meaning of "Sustainable development"?
YesNo
51. In your opinion, is Sustainable development realistic and achievable?
YesNo
52. Do you agree that development of a country requires the environment to be 'sacrificed'?
YesNo
53. In your opinion, does Malaysians need to face a serious environmental problem before they can realize the importance of environment and become more conscious on environmental issues?
YesNo
54. Do you agree that many Malaysians are unaware of environmental issues?
YesNo

Thank you very much for your participation in this survey. The result of this survey will be treated with strict confidentiality.