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UM bans cars, m-cycles for first year students

UNIVERSITI Malaya (UM) has implemented a new transportation ruling for students to reduce air pollution on campus, reported *Nanyang Siang Pau*.

First year students are no longer allowed to drive a vehicle or ride a motorcycle at the university.

Motorcycles are allowed for second year undergraduates while only final year students, postgraduates and those with disabilities are allowed to drive on campus.

The ruling takes effect with the new semester tomorrow.

Shuttle services are being provided for students within the campus from 6.30am till 11pm.

Those living outside the campus can take public transportation to the bus stop near the university and board the shuttle.

Vice-chancellor Datuk Rafiah Salim said that students would be encouraged to cycle and walk.

> *Sin Chew Daily* reported yesterday that nine of the 10 chickens reared by a family in Kampung Paka, Terengganu, died in two days.

Droppings from the dead birds were sent to a laboratory in Kuantan for tests.

Peka MCA Youth chief Huang Shi Shi said that a villager discovered that five chickens belonging to his neighbour died on Sunday morning while another four died the next day.

The villager was worried if the deaths were related to bird flu. He informed Huang, who then contacted the Dungun Health Department about the incident.

Huang said that a health officer told him that based on his experience, the dead birds were not infected by bird flu virus because the chickens would then have died immediately.

The test results are expected to be out next week.

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