



Participants removed 54 dead rats. Pic by Mohd Mim Fadlial

# Fighting rat menace in Sunway Metro

**CONCERTED EFFORT:** Sixty residents, restaurant owners, workers and university students took part in the 'gotong-royong'

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**A**FTER making the rounds in 18 areas, the Subang Jaya Municipal Council carried out its rat eradication *gotong-royong* programme in the Sunway Metro commercial area for the first time on Saturday.

Rat poison mixed with bread was placed near drains in the PJS 11 commercial area the day before.

Fifty-four dead rats were removed during the *gotong-royong* which involved 60 participants made up of

Zone 2 Residents Committee members, PJS 9 Neighbourhood Watch members, restaurant owners and workers, and Universiti Putra Malaysia students.

Zone 2 councillor Chia Yew Ken said similar *gotong-royong* exercises were carried out in areas such as USJ 2, Taman Puchong Permai, SS15, Taman Sri Serdang, Bandar Puteri 7, Bandar Kinrara and Taman Serdang Perdana in the first half of this year.

"This is the first time it is being carried out in PJS 11. I hope this will be a continuous effort and the council's health department will monitor the

situation," he added.

Chia said the nearby PSJ 9 food court was the next place where the programme would be carried out.

Subang Jaya assemblyman Hannah Yeoh, who mooted the *gotong-royong*, said: "I am pleased to hear that the business community had joined in the *gotong-royong*."

"Their participation is crucial as we need the cooperation of business owners."

The Zone 2 Residents Committee, meanwhile, gave 120-litre rubbish bins to restaurants to ensure that wastes are disposed of properly.