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Action taken to protect forest from being damaged by overcrowding and irresponsible hikers.

Protect forest reserve

The forest is not for your sole enjoyment. If you trample all over it, then what's left? It is a forest reserve to protect the different flora and fauna there. Good move by FRIM to lock up the area. - JT Tan

No messing around

Please lock it, FRIM. Some use the forest for vice activities and this raises security concerns as well. Commercialising a jungle trail is like turning it into an adult playground. Don't mess up the water catchment area with your filth and rubbish! - Keni Chi

Don't care attitude

Malaysians just don't care about signs or notices. They don't understand or they just simply ignore it and do whatever they want. - David Tan

Irresponsible hikers

Blame the hikers. FRIM is the caretaker. If they say it is off-limits, so be it. These irresponsible hikers are making things worse for everyone and themselves. Ten years down the road, the same hikers will blame FRIM for the loss of trails, greenery, etc. Do what they do in the US. Ban these people from all national parks! - John Smith

Recuperation process

I'm not a frequent visitor but I can tell those trails are already stressed. Visitors don't care for nature. They see some nice forest trails, they go in and leave trash everywhere, destroy tree saplings, uproot plants, and pollute the waterways with organic waste. Just look at Sungai Chilling if you are still not convinced. FRIM closed the trail because it is their responsibility to protect the forest. The forest needs to recuperate. Let it be. - Soraya Ahir

Good move

I support closing the trail since Malaysians in general don't know how to behave. - Rachel Loke

Clear violation

After reading it, the article clearly states that the site should be off limits as a result of unsustainable visits and that trail was meant for research, not ecotourism. Some visitors also clearly violated the law when they trespassed on the trail. I think FRIM is being too lenient with the trespassers.

- Jayaraj Vijara Kumaran

Doing their job

Don't blame FRIM. They are doing their job to preserve a natural habitat. - Pustaka Anda

Priorities

FRIM's primary responsibility is not to provide "tourist or hiking" spots. It's to ensure the preservation of our forests. - Alexander Wong