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I READ with the gravest of concerns that the proposed East Klang Valley Expressway will cut through valuable forest reserves.

As we cut down more forest reserves, we will leave to future generations a nation with many roads and expressways, and little left of our natural heritage – tropical rainforests.

We are facing a huge problem with water supply and cutting into forests, which serve as one of our largest water catchment areas, will exacerbate the problem.

We are facing uncontrolled development with deforestation, with concrete jungles sprouting up everywhere, increasing temperatures further.

Reducing our forest areas will make things worse.

It is not that we do not have enough roads and expressways, but the attitude of our drivers, poor enforcement and flawed highway design lead to traffic problems.

If we can improve the enforcement of traffic regulations, stop vehicles from cutting into lanes, ensure disciplined entries and exits on roads, and properly design highways, our traffic problems may be solved without building more expressways.

I much rather enjoy the forest than a concrete monstrosity that will do untold damage to our ecosystem.

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