

# School needs new sports court

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Teacher Subramaniam Visvanandam (left) and Noraizan Mohamed show the cracks on the school basketball court. Pic by Muhammad Hisyamuddin Ishak

KUALA LUMPUR: SMK Bukit Bandaraya is in need for a multipurpose sports court to replace its shabby 28 year-old open basketball court.

School principal Noraizan Mohamed said the basketball court had not been refurbished since the school was open in 1985.

"It has been almost 30 years and there are now cracks all over the floor of the open court, which could cause injuries to the students.

"Although the school also has a football field, the existing facilities cannot meet the wide-ranging needs of our students, who have interest and talent in many different sports.

"For instance, this year, the boys won second place in the national hockey tournament while the girls came in first in the state-level badminton tournament.

"As such, we have plans to upgrade the existing open basketball court to an open multipurpose court where the students can play not just basketball but also hockey, futsal, volleyball and netball.

"We also hope to build a higher fence surrounding the court to prevent the balls from flying out during games and getting lost.

"We estimate the total cost to be about RM60,000, which we, unfortunately, cannot afford.

"We hope that generous corporate companies will provide us with the needed funds.

"We will be more than grateful if we can get at least half of the total sum, as that will enable us to start work on the multipurpose court.

"The upgrade can then progress in stages, while we continue to collect funds," said Noraizan.

For enquiries or to donate, call school teacher Subramaniam Visvanandam at 012-305 6646.