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BACK there on the colourful streets of Sentul, an auntie extends a large plastic bag weighted with plump curry puffs. "Ambik! Ambik!" she gestures, insisting that bashful walkers load up on their carbo-fuel for the journey ahead. She's from the neighbourhood, you can tell, who's simply out greeting her guests. Back there just metres from the Chow Kit Monorail, a drinks and fruit seller guides his vehicle into the thick of the moving crowd. He stops. One hand waving to the people around him, the other grabbing packets of pre-cut fresh fruit, he offers: "Ambik! Ambik!" There is the pakcik in his jubah on Jalan TAR, a crate of mineral water before him. Same gesture, same words pretty much.

Something's different today. You feel this is one special Sunday.

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This is Straw Hat culture. Unyielding in principle and unbounded in warmth.



From left, they aimed backs of Kwadua and the other side of the message wall called

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And on this Sunday, the 13th day of the 11th day of the 11th, the year is greeted with 20,000 friends spilling in

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Railway before Measuring the final, the group make the way to the village, resting at Kampung

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And so we will begin today's shooed away to develop the walk. The size of the walk - the

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Bank managers, financial advisers, corporate stiff... whoever imagined they'd be puffing their

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Whoever said Mahjong Sundays can never ever be violated?

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People Doing Things. It is borne of this that the Malaysian flag flies.

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You just want to pickle it and preserve the moment.

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night. The misperceptions and deliberate message by any measure. They will camp here for the

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