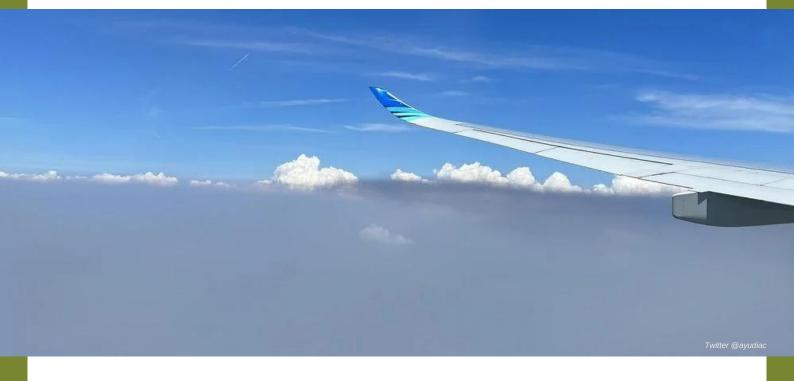
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Mask on!

Over the past few weeks, residents of Jakarta and its satellite cities have bemoaned the worsening air quality, as the city -notorious for its traffic congestion and overly packed neighborhoods- has topped Swiss company IQAir's ranking of the world's most polluted major cities since Aug. 7.

Today, the air quality is cited as 'unhealthy' with main pollutant reaches particular matter PM2.5, a term referring to tiny particles or droplets in the air that are 2 ½ microns or less in width.

Since this condition brings various health risks, there are steps you can take to reduce personal exposure. They include wearing high-quality particle filtering mask, staying indoors, closing windows and using air purifiers, and limiting physical exertion outdoors.

The government is now considering several actions such as reinstatement of 4-in-1 vehicle rule, pollution tax and hybrid/work from home for civil servants.

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