

Double thumbs up for PBA

Water agency earns two national-level awards for excellence

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THE Penang Water Supply Corporation (PBAPP) has received two national-level awards from the Malaysian Water Association (MWA).

The first award is the MWA Water Industry Achievement Award 2018 for 'Best Water Treatment Plant' which is the Sungai Dua Water Treatment Plant (WTP).

PBAPP chief executive officer Datuk Jaseni Maidinsa said that through the years, PBAPP had carefully managed the upgrading of the Sungai Dua WTP to ensure continuous good water supply in Penang.

He added that this year, it is producing more than 80% of the treated water that is distributed throughout the state daily.

"Today, the Sungai Dua plant is the largest WTP in the country with a maximum treated water capacity of 1,228 million litres per day (MLD) and its principal supply area is Seberang Prai.

"Its treated water is also pumped to the island via two sets of twin submarine pipelines.

"It is one of Penang's most important, advanced and efficient water supply asset," he said.

The second award is the Malaysia Water Award for Management 2018 which recognises outstanding management in the fields of water or wastewater engineering.

"As the individual recipient, I would like to dedicate the awards



Jaseni (blue shirt), Chow (third right) and PBA officials showing the awards won by PBAPP.

to the entire PBAPP team who had worked hard and smart to make PBAPP a leading organisation in water supply," said Jaseni during a visit by Penang Chief Minister Chow Kon Yeow to the Mengkuang Dam near Bukit Mertajam.

He also thanked the chairman and the board of directors of PBA Holdings Bhd and PBAPP for their guidance.

MWA is a non-profit and independent national association

of individuals and organisations representing all aspects of water and wastewater industries.

MWA also gave away a consolation prize to PBAPP's Batu Ferringhi Water Treatment Plant.

The awards were presented by Water, Land and Natural Resources Minister Dr Xavier Jayakumar at the Marriot Hotel in Putrajaya recently.

Also present was Penanti assemblyman Dr Norlela Ariffin.

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Jaseni Maidinsa