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PBAPP Ready For Simultaneous Implementation Of 23 Water Works Projects On April 25







GEORGE TOWN, April 17 (Bernama) -- Preparations for the simultaneous implementation of 23 water projects in Seberang Perai and Penang on April 25 are ready, said Perbadanan Bekalan Air Pulau Pinang (PBAPP) chief executive officer Datuk K. Pathmanathan.

He said this was based on a visit by PBAPP engineering staff to the project sites at the Sungai Dua Water Treatment Plant (LRA) and Jalan Pengkalan Tambang, Sungai Perai.

He said preparations had also been made to commence ancillary water works at Bukit Minyak, Kolam Air Complex, Bukit Gedung Pump Station, Jalan Datuk Ismail Hashim, Tun Dr Awang and Teluk Kumbar Pump Station.

"PBAPP has given the 'green light' for works to be carried out simultaneously for the 23 projects starting April 25, which include repair of a leaking 700mm pipeline and six upgrading works at the Sungai Dua LRA pump house and replacement of a damaged 1.2 metre (m) valve in the pipeline on Jalan Pengkalan Tambang, near the Sungai Dua LPA.

"It also involves the final connection works for the 1.35m pipeline across Sungai Perai, the diversion of a 0.9m section of the pipeline at the State Sports Council Complex in Batu Uban and three projects to upgrade the re-pumping operation of treated water at the Bukit Dumbar Water Pool and Pump Station Complex," he said in a statement today.

Prior to this, Chief Minister Chow Kon Yeow had announced that 341,708 consumer accounts in five districts in Penang would be affected by the April 2025 scheduled water supply interruption (SWSI) from April 25 to 28, the largest this year.

The disruption was due to the implementation of 23 pipe installation projects and other essential works by PBAPP involving a total cost of RM25 million. Meanwhile, Pathmanathan said PBAPP would implement all the April 2025 SWSI water works projects as planned for the benefit of consumers in Penang.

He said the implementation of the 23 water works projects would enable PBAPP to pump and distribute more treated water at higher pressure from the Sungai Dua WTP to about 465,000 water consumers in Seberang Perai and parts of the island.

"Water supply is expected to be fully restored on the morning of April 28 and consumers in Seberang Perai Utara, Seberang Perai Tengah and Timur Laut are expected to receive supply again within 24 hours, while consumers in Seberang Perai Selatan and Barat Daya are expected to receive supply within 48 to 60 hours," he said.