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Media Release

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CEO, PBAHB and PBAPP.

## **EXCELLENCE AWARD FROM THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER**

- **“Malaysia Water Industry Excellence” Award in conjunction with the Malaysia Energy, Water & Climate Change Summit 2026.**

PENANG, Friday, 10.4.2026: PBAPP received the “Malaysia Water Industry Excellence” Award yesterday (9.4.2026) during the Malaysia Energy, Water & Climate Change Summit 2026 (MEWCCS 2026) in Kuala Lumpur.

This award was handed to us by YAB Datuk Amar Haji Fadillah bin Haji Yusof, the Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia and Minister of Energy Transition and Water Transformation (PETRA).

Organised by the KSI Strategic Institute for Asia Pacific, the MEWCCS 2026 focused on “implementing infrastructure, renewable energy and water reform for a net zero Malaysia”.

The “Malaysia Water Industry Excellence” Award acknowledges companies in the Malaysian water sector for their commitment to excellence and innovation. PBAPP is honoured to be chosen as the sole recipient in 2026.

### **Key achievements in 2025**

PBAPP marked the following key achievements in 2025:

- Key performance indicators (including supply coverage, tested water quality, water treatment reserve and non-revenue water percentage) that were above the national average in 2024;
- On-going implementation of the RM2.1 billion Water Contingency Plan 2030 (WCP 2030) to ensure water supply sufficiency in Penang until Year 2030;
- Signing a MoU for the 300 – 500 million litre per day (MLD) Perak-Penang Water Project as a long-term solution to address future water demand in Seberang Perai Selatan and Seberang Perai Tengah from 2031;

- Reviving a pilot desalination project on Pulau Aman to explore the possibility of strategic desalination as a back-up water supply solution for Penang in the future;
- Pioneering Malaysia’s first “Zero Waste Water Treatment Residue Recycling Project” that processes the residue to become a raw material for making bricks and harvests about 25.4 MLD of the process water (supernatant water) as an additional recycled raw water resource for Penang; and
- Generating about 155,000 kWh of electrical power per month from solar panels installed in the Bukit Dumbar Reservoir and Pumping Station Complex to reduce costs.

### **Towards water security**

On behalf of PBAPP, I would like to thank YAB Datuk Amar Haji Fadillah and KSI for acknowledging our efforts in water supply engineering for the benefit of Penang and its people.

It is a fact that Penang is still a water-stressed state with a limited land area (1,158 km<sup>2</sup>) and limited raw freshwater resources (such as rivers, streams and lakes) in this age of climate change.

As such, PBAPP is exploring and applying unconventional solutions to achieve water sufficiency and security in the future, in support of the Penang2030 vision of making our home state “a family-friendly, green and smart state that inspires the nation”.

Thank You.

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## Malaysia Water Industry Excellence Award



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9.4.2026 | Dato' Ir. Pathmanathan K., CEO of PBAPP (2nd from the right) received the "Malaysia Water Industry Excellence" Award from YAB Datuk Amar Haji Fadillah bin Haji Yusof, the Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia and Minister of Energy Transition and Water Transformation (2nd from the left).during the Malaysia Energy, Water & Climate Change Summit 2026 (MEWCCS 2026) in Kuala Lumpur.



9.4.2026 | Dato' Ir. Pathmanathan K., CEO of PBAPP (front row, 5th from left) and the PBAPP team, received the "Malaysia Water Industry Excellence" Award during the Malaysia Energy, Water & Climate Change Summit 2026 (MEWCCS 2026) in Kuala Lumpur.