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AGENCI SELANGOR

MBSJ anjur program kitar semula, 100 peserta terawal terima beg istimewa

by Sofia Nasir 0 June 8, 2025 3:29 pm

SUBANG JAYA, 8 JUN: Orang ramai dijemput menyertai program kitar semula dan kutipan barangan elektrik terpeka anjuran Majlis Bandaraya Subang Jaya (MBSJ) di Taman Puncak Jelili pada 14 Jun.

Melalui perkongsian di Facebook, MBSJ memaklumkan 100 peserta terawal yang membawa barangan kitar semula seberat 2 hingga 5 kg ke atas berpeluang menerima beg hadiah istimewa daripada Nestle.

Program kerjasama Nestle Malaysia dan KPT Recycle Sdn Bhd dijadual berlangsung di Tapak Penaja PUJ 3/10 mulai 9 pagi hingga 12 tengah hari.

"Inisiatif ini bertujuan meningkatkan kesedaran masyarakat terhadap kepentingan amalan kitar semula dan mempromosi kutipan kitar semula dari pintu ke pintu yang sedang dijalankan di kawasan terbabit," jelas MBSJ.

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Dato' Menteri Besar Dato' Seri Amirudin Shari (tengah) menyaksikan pertukaran dokumen di antara Pengarah Urusan KDBE Waste Management (KDBEWM) Dato' Ramli Mohd Tahir (tiga kiri) dan Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Nestle Malaysia Juan Aranola (tiga kanan) pada Majlis Menandatangani Usahasama antara Nestle Malaysia dan KDBEWM di Pusat Konvensyen Shah Alam pada 22 April 2025. Foto NUR ADIBAH AHMAD IZAM/MEDIASELANGOR

Pada 22 April, KDBE Waste Management bersama Nestle memeterai memorandum persefahaman bagi melaksanakan program Selangor Kitar Semula (SELKitar) dalam usaha memperkasa kitar semula menerusi kutipan dari rumah ke rumah.

SELKitar merupakan fasa baharu bawah Projek Kutipan dan Kitar Semula Pintu ke Pintu yang diperkenalkan Nestle pada 2020 di beberapa negeri.

Projek ini menjadi inisiatif Tanggungjawab Pengeluar Lanjutan sukarela terbesar di Malaysia dan kini sedang dilaksana membabitkan 200,000 kediaman di enam bandar raya utama.

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MBSJ sita basikal roda tiga milik warga asing

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Tiga basikal roda tiga milik warga asing yang menjalankan aktiviti perniagaan tanpa kebenaran telah disita. Foto Facebook MBSJ

SUBANG JAYA - Majlis Bandaraya Subang Jaya (MBSJ) telah melaksanakan operasi penguatkuasaan ke atas warga asing yang menjalankan aktiviti perniagaan tanpa kebenaran.

MBSJ memaklumkan, operasi berkenaan dijalankan di beberapa lokasi tumpuan melibatkan Persiaran Puteri 1 dan Jalan Puteri 2, Bandar Puteri, Puchong.

"Hasil operasi tersebut, sebanyak tiga basikal roda tiga milik warga asing yang terlibat telah disita dan amaran secara lisan turut diberikan," katanya menerusi hantaran di Facebook pada Rabu.

Tambah MBSJ, operasi itu merupakan sebahagian daripada usaha berterusan pihak berkuasa tempatan (PBT) dalam memastikan peraturan dan garis panduan perniagaan dipatuhi khususnya oleh warga asing.

"Pemantauan berkala akan terus dijalankan dari semasa ke semasa dan tindakan undang-undang akan diambil terhadap mana-mana pihak atau individu yang didapati melanggar peraturan yang telah ditetapkan oleh pihak berkuasa.

"Orang ramai yang mempunyai sebarang aduan mengenai pelanggaran peraturan boleh menyalurkannya melalui laman web rasmi MBSJ," ujarnya.

SINAR HARIAN ONLINE

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MBSJ PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

7/6 Subang Jaya City Council (MBSJ) is holding a 'Khazanah Tersembunyi' photography contest. The contest ends on July 31. Participants must capture hidden gems in Subang Jaya with historical, cultural or natural value. The total prize pool is RM2,250. For details, call 03-5621 0060 or visit www.mbsj.gov.my

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Community event to strengthen neighbourly ties in PJ

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Farhan Shah (left) having a go at coconut bowling during the event.



Participants working on their creations during the bouquet crafting contest.

THE Petaling Jaya City Council (MBPJ) held a community programme for its Zone 24 to foster a harmonious neighbourhood.

Zone 24 encompasses PJS5, PJS6, as well as parts of PJS7, PJS8 and PJS10 in Petaling Jaya.

MBPJ Zone 24 councillor Farhan Shah Ridzuan said the event served as a platform to strengthen two-way relationships between community leaders, residents and the council.

Petaling Jaya mayor Mohamad

Zahri Samingon attended the event held at the Jalan PJS 6/3B playground.

"The council will continue to organise programmes such as this to instil the value of togetherness, in order to create a prosperous

and happy community," MBPJ said in a social media post.

The programme was supported by several government agencies and private organisations, including the Social Welfare Department, Umra Hospital, Eup

Corporation Bhd, Sunway Group, RT Pastry and Farm Fresh.

The event included activities such as traditional folk games, netball, carnival games, futsal, a bouquet crafting contest and a lucky draw.

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> Petaling Jaya City Council (MBPJ) will host the Petaling Jaya Learning City Festival from June 19 to 22, 9am to 6pm at Dewan Banquet and Dewan Sivik carpark in conjunction with its 19th anniversary of becoming a city. Activities include a career carnival, book expo, digital exhibition and Rasa Fusion Food Festival. For details, call 03-7960 1220.

> The city council is also offering free use of its swimming pool, sports courts and facilities along with free parking under MBPJ's jurisdiction (June 20), free library membership at community libraries (June 20-22), and free tree saplings with Abate larvicide at Laman MBPJ, Jalan Yong Shook Lin (June 21).

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29 vehicles towed in Ampang Point

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MPAJ enforcement also raids businesses for violating regulations

MOTORISTS who have been parking indiscriminately are facing the full force of the law since Ampang Jaya Municipal Council (MPAJ) has ramped up enforcement efforts in the Ampang Point area.

Throughout last month, 29 vehicles were towed for various traffic offences.

On Thursday, enforcement officers issued 41 compounds to vehicle owners who had parked in back alleys or blocked key access points such as utility riser doors and public walkways.

In a media statement, MPAJ reminded motorists to be more considerate and comply with traffic rules.

"Avoid blocking emergency or utility routes, and respect public facilities.

"Responsible parking not only shows self-discipline but helps maintain a safe and orderly urban environment," the local council said, adding that regular monitoring and enforcement would continue.

The recent crackdown drew support from residents who said such measures were long overdue.

Pandan Indah resident Karen Sim, 56, said she hoped that sim-



MPAJ officers seizing items from a Pandan Mewah barbershop that failed to adhere to licensing conditions.

ilar enforcement efforts would be extended to other busy commercial areas.

She said the commercial areas on both sides of Jalan Pandan Makmur were constantly clogged with haphazardly or double-parked vehicles.

"This makes the already narrow road nearly impassable and causes constant congestion.

"We need firm and consistent

enforcement from MPAJ because people do not seem to learn unless there are real consequences.

"Without regular action, the situation will worsen," said Sim.

Pandan Perdana resident R. Kamini, 38, echoed the call for stricter measures, particularly against repeat offenders near schools and markets, where traffic congestion posed a



MPAJ enforcement officer issuing compounds in back alleys of Ampang Point.

danger to pedestrians.

She said double-parking was a daily issue in the commercial area, with motorists even stopping along the main road Jalan Perdana Utama.

"It is dangerous because drivers who aren't expecting these parked cars either have to brake suddenly or swerve into the next lane," she highlighted.

Separately, MPAJ's Enforcement Department took further action against

businesses that violated the council regulations.

During an operation on June 3 in Pandan Mewah, enforcement officers inspected seven business premises and conducted five seizures.

These were related to hiring foreign workers without permits and operating food establishments without council approval.

MPAJ said it remained committed to carrying out scheduled and integrated enforcement efforts to ensure business premises follow established rules for the community's safety and well-being.

The inspections covered various businesses, including restaurants, sundry shops and hair salons.

In another operation last month, MPAJ officers acted on complaints about premises run by foreign nationals in Pandan Mewah and Angsana Hilir.

Of the 25 premises inspected, 13 were penalised for employing foreign workers and two were found to be operating without a valid business licence.

The public can lodge complaints with MPAJ through the Public Report Management System (Sispaa) or by calling the toll-free line at 1-800-22-8100.

NIGHT RUN

WPAJ

Registration for 8th Geopark 7/6
Ampang Jaya Night Run on July 5 at
Pusat Konvensyen MPAJ in Taman
Melawati, Ampang, is open. To reg-
ister, visit [www.ticket2u.com.my/
event/42400/ampang-jaya-night-
run-2025](http://www.ticket2u.com.my/event/42400/ampang-jaya-night-run-2025). There will be a fee
depending on the categories. For
details, visit Ampang Jaya Municipal
Council and Ampang Jaya Night
Run Facebook page.

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Kepong's Tmn Petaling park poses hazards to users

RESIDENTS of Taman Petaling in Kepong want Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) to restore functionality to an over 50-year-old park on Jalan 27/39.

Taman Petaling Kuala Lumpur Residents Association (TPKLRA) had listed areas that needed fixing, in its letter to City Hall dated April 3.

It asked DBKL to trim the trees, upgrade playground and recreational facilities, instal new sports equipment and upgrade lights in the park.

"The RA has not received any response so far," said community activist Yee Poh Ping.

He said some of the trees were quite old and at risk of toppling.

"DBKL should regularly inspect and trim the trees. Unhealthy trees should be chopped down," he added.

During a press conference at the park yesterday, Yee said residents were concerned about spaces underneath tree roots



The Taman Petaling futsal court is missing a door. — Photos: SIA HONG KIAU/The Star

beside the jogging track, adding that they could become the breeding ground for snakes or vermin.

"The overgrown tree roots could also damage the jogging track," he said.

A resident, who did not want to be named, said he was concerned about old trees which could damage houses surrounding the park if they fell.

"High-risk trees should be chopped down before they



Yee showing protruding tree roots with the potential of damaging the nearby jogging track.

damage residents' properties or injure residents," he said.

Yee also pointed out how an outdoor pavilion was unsuitable for senior citizens' use, due to its elevated flooring.

"How do you expect senior

citizens to hoist themselves up there when the floor is so high?

"Additionally, the pavilion's tiled floor can be slippery if it gets wet from rain.

"DBKL should redesign the pavilion and place benches for senior citizens' use," said Yee.

He also urged DBKL to instal new gym equipment at the empty space in the park.

"Facilities such as futsal and basketball courts as well as the rubber flooring at the playground need upgrading.

"Some parts of the futsal court's fence are rusty and broken. It is also missing a door.

"DBKL should also fix the lighting around the field as current ones are not bright enough at night," he pointed out.

He added that the park was frequently used by Taman Petaling residents as well as residents from several nearby neighbourhoods.

DBKL had not responded to queries at press time.

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(From left) Visitors to the event having fun at the inflatable playground, playing carrom, and interacting with animals at the petting zoo. — Photos: YAP CHEE HONG/The Star

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THE state government has launched the Selangor Strata Fund (DSS) initiative to solve strata title issues in phases.

Six apartment buildings have been identified as pilot projects.

The buildings are Flat Bunga Raya (Port Klang), Pangsapuri Seroja (Puchong), Apartment Dahlia (Rawang), Rumah Bandar Taman Saga (Ampang) and Pangsapuri Permai and Pangsapuri Seri Damai in Batu Caves.

Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Amirudin Shari said the state had approved RM10mil for the fund under its budget this year.

He said a total of RM100mil would be required to resolve all strata title issues in apartment schemes in Selangor over the next 10 years.

"Although this involves significant financial implications for the state, the initiative will be continued in the interest of current owners and the future generations, to enable secure inheritance of the properties.

"The strata title grant is an important document that clarifies ownership rights, facilitates the inheritance process and protects the rights of heirs.

"It is important for property owners to ensure they obtain the strata titles without delay for the benefit of future generations," he said at the Program Rewang Komuniti Strata event at Taman Putra Perdana Food Court in Puchong.

Amirudin also said the DSS

Selangor starts fund to resolve strata title issues

State estimates RM100mil required to settle cases over 10 years



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initiative was expected to generate returns for the state within 10 years, as residential units that have obtained strata titles would be paying parcel quit rent.

Also present at the event was state housing and culture committee chairman Datuk Borhan Aman Shah.

He said strata housing development in Selangor had grown rapidly in the past two decades.

"According to the Department of the Director-General of Lands and Mines, there were 898,368



Borhan (second right) joining in the community cooking session at the Komuniti Strata event at Taman Putra Perdana Food Court in Puchong.

strata titles registered in Selangor as of 2023.

"Across the state, 648 development schemes, involving 138,817 residential units have been unable to obtain strata titles since 2007," he said.

The programme, which

attracted many residents from the surrounding area, kicked off with mass aerobic exercises, followed by activities like traditional games competition, basic health and teeth check up, and community cooking.

Young children had a fun time

playing at the inflatable playground and getting close to animals at the petting zoo set up just for the programme.

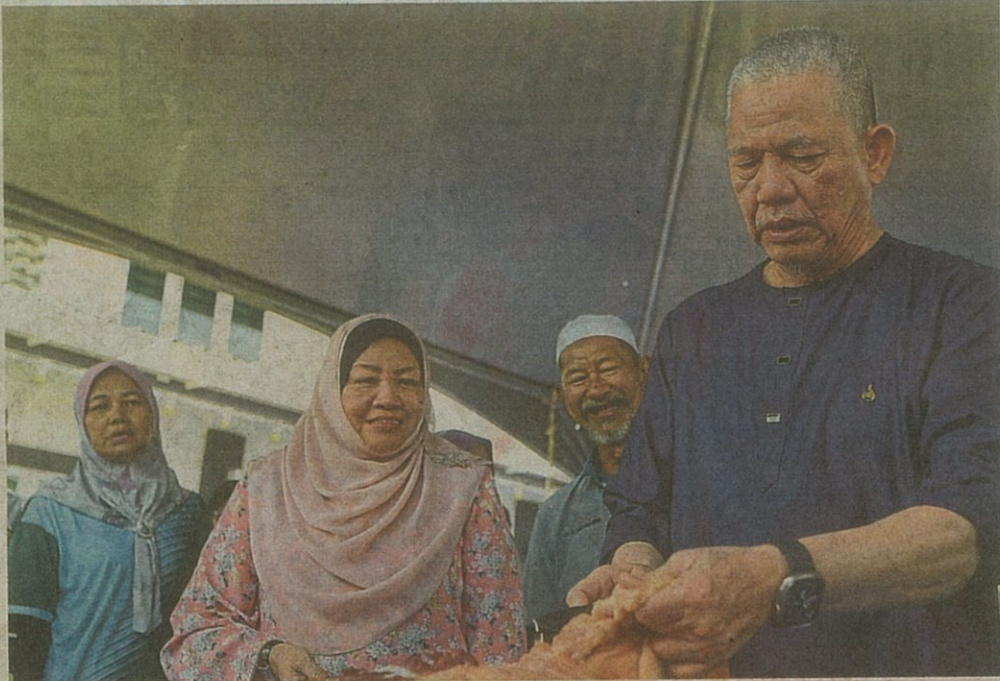
There were also many booths set up by government agencies for the people to get to know more about the services.

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For the sacrificial feast:

Fadillah (right) cutting up meat during a Program Ibadah Korban at Kampung Tupong Jaya, Kuching, in conjunction with Aidiladha.
— Bernama



Almost RM800mil in loans for water projects

KUCHING: A total of RM796.4mil in loans were provided to state governments this year to finance water supply projects, says Datuk Seri Fadillah Yusof.

The Deputy Prime Minister said the projects were among the Federal Government's measures to mitigate the impact of the south-west monsoon which is expected to bring dry weather and potential drought.

He said as of May, 28 projects under the initiative were already underway, with 12 in Sabah, two each in Kedah and Perlis, one in

Kelantan, three each in Pahang and Terengganu, and five in Sarawak.

"The projects are at various stages of completion. Some are under implementation and seven are expected to be completed this year," he told reporters after attending a Hari Raya Aidiladha event at Kampung Tupong Jaya here yesterday, Bernama reported.

Fadillah, who is Energy Transition and Water Transformation Minister, said the ministry is also focusing on resolving the issue of

non-revenue water (NRW).

He said NRW was caused by various factors such as system inefficiencies, pipe leakages, and water theft.

"When pipe connections are poorly installed, leakages happen. There are also old pipes that have started leaking.

"Overall, we estimate that the country loses 40% of its treated water. This incurs high costs. So our priority is to identify methods to reassess the piping systems and replace damaged pipes," he added.

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Datuk Seri Fadillah Yusof

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Sustainability starts with personal responsibility

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Citycism

SUSTAINABILITY is increasingly becoming a key issue in the Klang Valley, especially in light of rapid urbanisation and growing environmental challenges.

Over the years, "sustainable" has been a popular buzzword among the government, local authorities and private sector.

Everyone is encouraging the public to adopt eco-friendly habits, but the question remains – how effective has that been?

Let's rewind to the 2010s, at the start of the "Say no to single-use plastic bags" push.

Fast forward to today, and plastic bags are still very much part of daily life.

Sure, the food and retail giants have made some progress, but outside of those major players, plastic bags remain a regular part of daily life.

The 20sen charge per plastic bag has raised millions of ringgit, which goes to show that many are still willing to pay for the convenience rather than switch to reusable options.

In 2020, Selangor collected RM6.6mil from the 20sen levy, which rose to

Mindfulness, lifestyle choices and simple daily habits can make a big difference

RM8.5mil in 2021.

It was reported that RM38mil was collected from the 20sen charge between Jan 1, 2017 and 2023. That equalled 190,000,000 plastic bags requested by shoppers.

That's a lot of plastic bags and it says a lot about them – cheap, practical and hard to give up.

The same goes for plastic straws and polystyrene containers.

The Federal Government is considering a nationwide ban on plastic bags by 2026.

But the more immediate solution lies in smaller, individual efforts.

After all, sustainability is a lifestyle choice.

It begins the moment we wake up and continues until we turn in for the night.

For starters, do you leave the tap running while brushing your teeth?

Simple habits like turning off the tap while brushing teeth or shortening your shower time can really add up.

It's like that 20sen charge on plastic bags – small changes by many people can add up to a big amount.

We can invest in energy-efficient appliances, but mindfulness is just as powerful.

Switching off lights, appliances and devices when not in use doesn't cost a thing and is something we can all do.

Plus, it will save you some money in

the long run.

You might not be able to buy a sports car with the savings, but that extra cash adds up over time!

Another conscious choice is to use public transport or carpool when you can.

If your destination is nearby, choose to walk or cycle; it's healthier too.

Buy local produce whenever possible.

It helps local businesses thrive and it's often cheaper and fresher!

At work, go paperless – use digital tools to take notes and share files.

Sort your rubbish and recycle.

It only takes a second but makes a big difference.

When buying clothes or household items, consider used or upcycled items.

Alternatively, go for sustainable or fair-trade options as these items benefit both your well-being and the planet.

World Environment Day was on June 5 with the theme #BeatPlasticPollution.

The third United Nations (UN) Ocean Conference is set to take place from June 9 to 13 in Nice, France.

There, the UN member states, agencies, civil society, private sector and donors gather to brainstorm solutions to issues affecting oceans.

We as individuals may not solve the world's problems overnight, but if each of us makes small conscious choices, we'll get there – one small habit (or reusable bag) at a time.

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'Screen doors at platforms will enhance rail safety'

By LEW GUAN XI
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PUBLIC transport experts have welcomed the directive by Transport Minister Anthony Loke for screen doors to be installed at all train station platforms.

They also made suggestions to improve service based on their expertise and experience travelling in foreign countries.

The directive came following the death of a foreign national who fell onto the train tracks at the Pusat Bandar Puchong LRT station on June 3.

A visually impaired man suffered the same fate after falling onto railway tracks and was struck by a train at the Titiwangsa LRT station in Kuala Lumpur in February this year.

Kuala Lumpur-based transport consultant Ernest Wong, who uses the LRT service daily for work, told *StarMetro* that platform screen doors would not only ensure commuters' safety but also minimise train disruptions by preventing intrusions onto the tracks.

"More auxiliary police officers and station staff should also patrol the platforms to help deter commuters from stepping beyond the safety line drawn on the floor," he said.

Wong also suggested that authorities employ laser intrusion detection systems on train platforms such as the one used at the Millennium Line in Vancouver, Canada.

The system, he said, could detect intruders on platforms and foreign objects or debris on the tracks.

Experts also call for reserve buses, better communication during service disruptions



More measures, such as increasing patrols and better passenger flow management at platforms, are needed to improve safety at train stations. — Filepic

"However, one possible downside of this technology is that false alarms could be triggered quite often," added Wong.

Rail architect Ken Chin called for the placement of emergency stop buttons on rail platforms to halt approaching trains in the event obstructions are found on the tracks.

"Passenger flow management on the platforms, especially during peak hours where they could be very crowded, should also be improved," he added.

The June 3 tragedy caused disruption to the LRT services

between the Bandar Puteri, Taman Perindustrian Puchong, Pusat Bandar Puchong and IOI Puchong Jaya stations for over two hours.

Rapid KL had offered bus bridging services for commuters during the disruption period.

However, some netizens claimed they waited two hours for the buses, but none came.

Wong urged rail service operators to ensure that they have sufficient reserve buses to be deployed to the stations during such disruptions.

"The Transport Ministry

should also establish an enforcement mechanism to keep operators accountable for disruptions caused by non-performance so that people will have more confidence in using public transport," he added.

Chin said train service operators should communicate clearly with commuters on service disruptions to alleviate their concerns.

"Important information such as the estimated delay period and availability of alternative routes should be promptly communicated to passengers," he said.

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Finding solutions to fatal falls

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Boys more likely to engage in risky behaviours such as climbing balconies, says clinical child psychologist

LISA was playing with her doll at the balcony when the familiar jingle of an ice cream truck caught her attention.

Eager to catch a glimpse, the four-year-old climbed onto a nearby shoe rack, inching dangerously close to the edge, unaware of the danger.

Fortunately, her mother spotted this just in time. She rushed over and pulled her down, while giving the girl a sound scolding.

Scenes like this are common at high-rise residences, as vertical living becomes the norm to meet growing housing demands amid scarcer land in Klang Valley.

Recent weeks saw a spate of incidents of children falling to their deaths from balconies, reigniting calls for stronger safety measures at high-rises.

On May 17, a two-year-old boy fell to his death from the seventh-floor balcony of a public housing flat in Precinct 9, Putrajaya.

Three days later, a seven-year-old girl died after falling from the 29th floor of her babysitter's condominium in Puchong, Selangor.

The most recent case is of a four-year-old boy who was killed after a fall from the balcony of his 30th-floor residence in Bukit Jalil, Kuala Lumpur last Thursday.

On May 26, *The Star* in a frontpage report, had highlighted the need for better protection for children living in high-rises.

Experts interviewed by *StarMetro* attribute these tragedies to a combination of young children's cognitive limitations and insufficient safety infrastructure in high-rise residences.

Children's psyche

Clinical child psychologist Dr Noor Aishah Rosli said children were naturally curious but pos-

sess underdeveloped awareness of risks and hazards in their surroundings.

"Children under seven are still developing cognitive and perceptual skills to assess distance, height and consequences of risky behaviours.

"They often overestimate their ability and underestimate dangers. This is because the frontal lobe of their brains, responsible for impulse control and decision-making, has yet to mature fully," she said.

To address this issue, Noor

Aishah said age-appropriate education and behaviour modelling were key.

"Use simple language to explain the dangers at balconies. Markers may also be placed on the floors to reinforce the message.

"Apart from close parental supervision, consistent reminders are also needed so children become aware of the risks," she said.

Noor Aishah said clinical observations suggest that boys were more likely to engage in

risky behaviours, while noting that biological, social, psychological and cultural factors may play a role too.

A 2021 study 'Analysis of Elements Influencing Child Safety In High-Rise Buildings Using Analytical Method' published in *Journal of the Malaysia Institute of Planners* appeared to support that observation.

It said boys are more likely than girls to fall off balconies, based on research found in existing literature.

"Moreover, more than two-thirds of falls happen to children below five, head injuries and fractures being the most common outcomes.

"Though not all falls are fatal, children may suffer internal trauma and brain injuries because they tend to topple head first, using arms and hands to break the fall," the study noted.

Focus on design safety

Under the Uniform Building By-Laws 1984, balcony height at strata residences should not be less than 1m, though local authorities can impose stricter requirements.

Under the by-law, it is not mandatory for grilles to be installed, but the building management could regulate it or unit owners may voluntarily instal it.

Malaysian Institute of Architects (PAM) corporate member Mustapha Kamal, who runs an architecture and urban design consultancy firm in Petaling Jaya, said as a rule of thumb, the height for balconies should be between 1.1m and 1.2m.

For railing-type balconies, he recommended keeping a minimum gap of 65mm between the vertical railings to prevent accidents.

In terms of safety, he noted that balconies made of solid walls are generally harder to climb compared to those with railings.

"However, this comes at a cost



Children are naturally curious, but often have underdeveloped awareness of risks and dangers, say experts. — Photos: AZHAR MAHFOF and courtesy photos



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A child looking out the grilles of the balcony at his strata home in Shah Alam. — Filepic

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Climbability of different balcony heights

Height of balcony	Percentage of children able to climb
Vertical (1.1m)	54
Vertical (1.2m)	40
Vertical (1.2m, 100mm wider top)	19
Vertical (1.2m, 15° inclined towards climber)	12

Source: Child Safety Barriers, European Association for Consumer Representation in Standardisation.

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— solid wall balconies tend to restrict air flow and proper ventilation,” he said.

Still, Mustapha cautioned that even the most well-designed balconies offer no absolute guarantee of safety for children.

“They can easily climb over using furniture. Ultimately, it is up to the parents or guardians to supervise their children,” he said.

Alliance for Safe Community founder and chairman Tan Sri Lee Lam Thye suggested that closed-circuit television (CCTVs) cameras be installed at all floors of high-rises for security monitoring.

“This allows alerts to be raised if children are at risk. It may be costly, but a worthwhile expenditure to prevent loss of life,” he said.

Father of one N. Fernandez, 49, said he had invisible grilles installed at the balcony of his condominium unit in Jalan Kelang Lama four years ago.

(Invisible grille is a nearly transparent safety feature made of thin, high-tensile stainless steel wires installed on windows or balconies to prevent falls

without obstructing the view).

“It cost us RM1,600. My daughter was five at the time, so my wife and I were really worried about her safety.

“We know having grilles is not recommended as it could hinder evacuation, but we live on the 15th floor. We don’t think evacuation is likely to happen at that level.”

Global regulations

A study by The European Consumer Voice in Standardisation, a non-profit focusing on consumer issues, found children aged four to six could climb barriers between 1.1m and 1.2m high within 30 seconds.

To ensure a barrier is effective, the study recommended that it is inclined at an angle towards the children.

“An inclined barrier stops almost 90% of children from being able to climb over.

“None could pass within 10 seconds and only 7% succeeded climbing it in less than 30 seconds,” the study noted. (See graphic)



Mustapha cautions that even the most well-designed balconies offer no absolute guarantee of safety for children.



Dr Noor Aishah says children under seven are still developing cognitive and perceptual skills to assess distance, height and consequences of risky behaviours.

The study also suggested that the top part of balconies be made wider so that children cannot easily grip when they want to climb the wall.

Other countries have also instituted changes in balcony design to ensure child safety.

In Sharjah, United Arab Emirates (UAE), the local



Some unit owners at high-rises have installed invisible grilles as extra precaution. — Courtesy photo of owner

authorities have made several changes to technical requirements of balconies since 2017.

Landlords and contractors there were required to raise balcony heights from 1m to 1.2m, according to reports.

In Abu Dhabi, UAE, police advised homeowners to install acrylic barrier on the balcony,

with permission from the authorities.

In Vietnam, balconies must have a minimum height of 1.4m if the building is more than nine floors.

As for balconies not using solid walls, the gaps between the vertical bars must not exceed 100mm.

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Slumping crude oil price a risk to govt revenue

PETALING JAYA: The government, which sees about a fifth of its revenue coming from petroleum-related income, will not be able to ignore slumping crude oil prices that are likely to face more downward pressure.

The government's Budget 2025 projected benchmark Brent crude to range between US\$75 and US\$80 a barrel this year and for petroleum-related revenue of RM62bil.

However, in May, average Brent crude prices slipped by 22.9% year-on-year and 3.8% quarter-on-quarter to US\$64.01 per barrel.

Year-to-date, the average price stood at 11.1% lower than 2024's average of US\$71.02 per barrel. MIDF Research warned that prices could likely be "pressured further", and a risk that would be too big to ignore.

In a note, MIDF Research said the oil and gas (O&G) market continued to be pressured by additional supply over weaker demand, trade tariffs, geopolitical tensions and sanctions.

Inventories are also expected to continue rising, while sentiment over the trade policy development between the United States and China will remain a significant risk to the market movement.

The research house noted that the upstream segment remains resilient with regional joint developments and expansions, long-term contractual exploration and production activities.

Midstream saw temporary disruption in liquefied natural gas or LNG trades and short-term tanker rates, offset by strong long-term charters and carbon trading.

Meanwhile, the downstream segment's refining activities are at all-time high for conventional and biofuel, amid bearish outlook on petrochemicals.

However, with Asean pushing forth joint-sectoral developments in near term, MIDF Research said this offers a brighter outlook for the regional O&G market.

In the Asean summit concluded at end-May, LNG and carbon capture and storage transportation and logistics were put forth as strategic priorities within the region.

Overall, MIDF Research retained its "neutral" view on the O&G sector.

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Be prepared to face hotter days

Experts warn of wet-bulb temperatures for those vulnerable to heatstroke

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PETALING JAYA: As global warming ratchets up, Malaysians should prepare to face hotter and muggier days during the dry spell brought about by the annual Southwest Monsoon, say weather experts.

Along with this, it is also time to pay attention to not just dry-bulb readings provided by the typical thermometer but also wet-bulb temperatures (WBT), which scientists say are important to those who are vulnerable to heatstrokes or related ailments.

WBT is an indication of how much the air can be cooled by the evaporation of water into it and is usually measured using a thermometer with the bulb covered by a wet membrane, with higher WBT signalling an increased risk for the vulnerable.

WBT and high humidity are often missed during reporting on heatwaves, even though they play a huge role in how a person experiences heat.

Academy of Sciences Malaysia's fellow Dr Fredolin Tangang said while the Southwest Monsoon season is usually marked by hot and dry weather, global warming could be contributing to even hotter conditions.

"According to the latest observation, the first quarter of 2025 was the second warmest year compared to the corresponding period in 2024, which was the warmest year on record.

"This despite La Nina being active during the first quarter of this year," he said when contacted.

The APEC Climate Center in (South) Korea, he said, indicated that the surface air temperature over the Indo-Pacific region is 80% above normal during the

current monsoon period this year.

"Also, the sea surface temperature (SST) was forecasted to be above normal.

"High SST could drive higher relative humidity, and this increases the WBT and also the heat index, creating favourable conditions for heatstrokes," he said.

Fredolin suggested that the relevant authorities should provide an early warning system to the public to be alert for excessive heat and humidity.

"More public announcements of the danger of heatstroke and how to avoid getting one should be regularly broadcast, while the public should not take lightly the extreme conditions that heighten the risk for heatstrokes," he said.

A 2023 paper published by researchers from Universiti Teknologi Malaysia raised concerns about the future emergence of

urban areas as hotspots for heat stress, particularly in peninsular Malaysia.

Their study showed a notable increase in the mean temperature over the peninsula, surpassing the global average, which could lead to a substantial increase in WBT, especially in dense urban regions.

According to National Antarctica Research Centre climatologist Prof Datuk Dr Azizan Abu Samah, there is a high chance the Asean region will see above-normal temperatures between June and August, based on several predictive models.

"The inter-monsoon period typically transitions into the Southwest Monsoon over the Asean region in June and will continue throughout the outlook period," he said, while advising the people to minimise their exposure to the blistering sun as much as possible.

Meteorological Department's (MetMalaysia) director-general Dr Mohd Hisham Mohd Anip said the main cause for current hot and humid weather is the Southwest Monsoon that began on May 10, with the phenomenon expected to continue until September.

"This monsoon typically brings dry weather to most parts of the country.

"However, thunderstorms and heavy rain may still occur from time to time," he said.

Mohd Hisham added that the extended absence of rain over several days could result in searing conditions similar to what happened earlier this month.

On June 2, MetMalaysia issued a Level 1 heat advisory in six areas in the peninsula which experienced maximum daily temperatures of between 35°C and 37°C for three consecutive days.

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Malaysia at risk of deadly humidity threat

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PETALING JAYA: It's not merely the heat – it's the humidity that poses a lethal threat.

Experts warn of a wet-bulb temperature (WBT) threat as Malaysia sweats through a silent, rising danger. And with the heat expected to rise in the coming months, Malaysians should be prepared to deal with this lesser-known but deadly phenomenon.

A patient's core body temperature will normally rise to dangerous or even fatal levels in a matter of hours, according to the experts.

Prof Dr Sharifa Ezat Wan Puteh of Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) said studies have shown that WBT can occur even when the temperature is as low as 31°C.

"The US National Weather Service considers WBT temperatures of 31°C or higher to be in 'extreme danger'. This is considered relatively low, and it supports the idea that the human body's ability to cope with heat stress is compromised even at lower thresholds than once believed," she said when contacted yesterday.

Sharifa said that certain groups are more susceptible to the dangers of WBT, such as the elderly, pregnant women, children, outdoor workers and individuals with underlying health comorbidities.

"Staying in shaded areas, hydrating frequently, limiting physical exertion and outdoor exposure, and wearing light, breathable clothing may reduce the risk of hyperthermia (internal body temperature rising)," she added.

Sharifa suggested that the respective agencies work together to alert the public to the dangers of extreme heat exposure and WBT.

"The Department of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) should also advise officers to keep workers out of open areas that are exposed to heat, wind or humidity," she added.

Sustained temperatures between 31°C and about 35°C, along with humidity levels above 90%, are known to cause WBT in a specific area. It is considered extreme hyperthermia and often fatal if the

core body temperature reaches 42°C and above.

On June 2, the Meteorological Department (MetMalaysia) issued a Level 1 advisory after six areas in Peninsular Malaysia experienced maximum daily temperatures of between 35°C and 37°C for three consecutive days.

Universiti Malaya (UM) public health medicine specialist Prof Dr Victor Hoe voiced concern over the prolonged heat and humidity the nation is currently facing, which is expected to last through the coming months.

"What we're facing is more than just uncomfortable weather.

"This is a growing public health and safety concern that requires attention, empathy and coordinated action," he said when contacted.

Hoe said that a person's body will naturally regulate internal temperature by producing sweat, which cools the body when it evaporates.

"But when the air is very humid, sweat doesn't evaporate efficiently. This reduces our body's ability to cool down, leading to overheating, which can be dangerous or even deadly," he said.

Signs to watch for heat exhaustion or heatstroke include tiredness, dizziness, nausea, confusion, rapid pulses and unconsciousness.

Hoe urged the public to remain adequately hydrated by drinking water consistently throughout the day.

"Avoid outdoor activity during the hottest part of the day, such as between 12pm and 3pm.

"Wear loose, light-coloured clothing and stay in shaded or air-conditioned areas.

"Check in with elderly neighbours or family members, especially those living alone," he said.

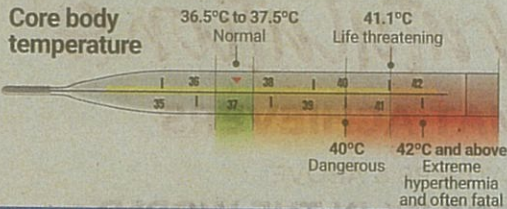
UM's vice-chancellor (research & innovation) Prof Dr Sanjay Rampal described WBT as a public health threat which may happen even if temperatures are lower than 35°C.

"Currently, MetMalaysia's three-tier alert system focuses

Monitoring wet-bulb temperature (WBT)

WBT of between 31°C and 35°C, coupled with humidity of above 90%, can result in core body temperature rising within six hours.

Core body temperature



Signs of heat exhaustion and heatstroke



Vulnerable groups

Elderly, young children, those with chronic illnesses and individuals living alone or in homes without proper cooling.

Outdoor workers, factory workers in hot indoor environments, informal sector workers and delivery riders.

How to prevent heat-related injuries

Stay hydrated throughout the day.



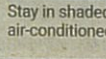
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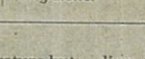
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only on dry-bulb temperature but does not account for the role of humidity. We may consider a heat index that combines temperature and humidity measurements," he suggested.

Dr Sanjay added that MetMalaysia should work in collaboration with relevant agencies by providing them with meteorological data, which could then be translated into specific health advisories for the general public.

In response to the rising temperatures, Dr Sanjay cautioned parents against leaving their children or elderly relatives unattended in parked vehicles.

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Post-holiday traffic jams hit Klang Valley

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KUALA LUMPUR: Traffic flow on major highways leading into the Klang Valley was reported to be congested yesterday afternoon, as travellers began their return to the capital following the Hari Raya Aidiladha holiday.

A spokesperson for the Malaysian Highway Authority (MHA) said traffic flow from the north towards the Klang Valley on the North-South Expressway (PLUS) was congested at Permatang Pauh towards Juru, Jawi to Bandar Baharu, Kuala Kangsar to the Menora Tunnel, and Gopeng to Tapah.

She said traffic flow was also congested from Sungkai to Trolak, Bukit Beruntung to Sungai Buaya, and the Rawang Rest and Treatment Area to Rawang.

"Traffic flow from the south on the PLUS highway is congested from Pagoh to Simpang Empat, Pedas Linggi to Seremban, the Seremban Rest and Treatment Area to Nilai, and the Sungai Besi Toll Plaza to the capital," she said when contacted by Bernama yesterday.

For traffic flow from the east to the Klang Valley on the Kuala Lumpur-Karak Expressway (KLK), congestion occurred at the Karak Toll Plaza towards Lentang, Bukit Tinggi to the Genting Sempah Tunnel and the Gombak Rest Area towards the Gombak Toll Plaza.

Meanwhile, in Kelantan, traffic flow increased from Kuala Krai towards Gua Musang yesterday afternoon; however, it remained under control.



Heading home: Cars moving bumper to bumper along the North-South Expressway (PLUS) near the Senawang Toll Plaza heading towards Kuala Lumpur. — Bernama

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Malaysians flock to KL over double holiday weekend

KUALA LUMPUR: Throughout the Hari Raya Aidiladha weekend and school holidays, Malaysians took advantage of the long weekend by crowding parts of the capital and becoming "tourists in their own country".

The holiday weekend also provided a welcome respite, with major roads heading towards the city centre being relatively clear.

This saw many taking the opportunity to explore popular landmarks around the capital's golden triangle here.

Despite the sweltering heat, both Malaysians and tourists alike filled the streets across areas like Chinatown, taking their time to view the sights and sounds of the capital.

Hari Raya Aidiladha celebrations fell on Saturday.

The school holidays, which began on May 29, are set to end today.

The next school holiday period will begin in September, with the year-end holidays to begin in December before the school term reconvenes in January the following year.

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Blueprint for stronger silver support

Experts: M'sia should consider co-housing, social pension to aid ageing population

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PETALING JAYA: Creating a social pension and introducing co-housing arrangements for seniors will provide a boost to the country's growing elderly population, say experts.

Gradually raising the retirement age will also contribute positively as Malaysia approaches its status as an aged nation by 2040, they added.

Universiti Putra Malaysia's Malaysian Research Institute on Ageing, senior researcher Chai Sen Tyng mooted social pensions, describing them as long overdue.

"The question is how to have one sustainably. Social pensions have broader coverage and are akin to a rights-based income security," he said, proposing legislation for it.

Regarding co-housing or social arrangements, he pointed out that Singapore is one of the countries that offers such options to support seniors.

In the republic, seniors may



Planning for the future: (From left) Chai, Yeah and Mohd Uzir.

consider co-living facilities on short-term leases, differing from assisted living or community care apartments.

This type of accommodation provides an independent living option for seniors who do not need medical care or mobility assistance.

Chai said senior homelessness is a growing issue in urban areas, stemming from poverty, family breakdowns, a lack of affordable housing, poor physical and mental health, and inadequate social support.

He said the homeless elderly are rather "invisible" to many,

pointing out that it is difficult to tell during the day whether they are involved in any activities.

At night, Chai said they might hide in cardboard boxes under flyovers or in alleyways to sleep and avoid being rounded up by enforcement authorities.

"A genuine effort is needed to understand the root causes of homelessness," he said, adding that in Malaysia, males are more affected by it.

On raising the retirement age, Chai said the decision is a matter of when, not if.

According to the Statistics Department's projections, over

17% of the population will be 60 years or older by 2040.

Chief statistician Datuk Seri Mohd Uzir Mahidin had said that 11.6% of the population, or 3.9 million, were 60 years and older as of last year, with the figure expected to rise to 17.3%, or 6.4 million, by 2040 with a projected total population of 37.1 million.

By 2057, Malaysia will reach super-aged society category, with 20.5% projected to exceed the age of 60.

Sunway University economics professor Yeah Kim Leng said a key policy response would be to raise the mandatory retirement age gradually in tandem with promoting active or productive ageing policies.

"An increase from 60 to 65 may be too drastic, as it would be lengthy for those who already have retirement plans in place.

"A gradual and progressive increase of two or three years allows for a smoother transition in organisation dynamics and manpower planning for both the private and public sectors," Yeah said, adding that it would allow

labour market supply and demand to adjust incrementally.

Reemployment and upskilling programmes, Yeah said, should also be part of the overall policy package in tackling ageing population challenges like old age income and health security.

Malaysian Coalition on Ageing chairman Cheah Tuck Wing mooted a Senior Citizens Bill to protect seniors against abuse, neglect, and abandonment, as well as a universal RM500 monthly pension for those aged 60 and above.

"Provide more affordable housing or rental for seniors, and retrain and upskill them," he said, adding that such initiatives will enable them to re-enter the job market to earn an income.

Singapore is also gradually increasing its retirement and re-employment ages to address an ageing population and workforce needs.

At present, the retirement age stands at 63, with eligible re-employment extending until the age of 68.

This will be adjusted to 64 and 69 by the following year.

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Privacy and protection a priority

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Telcos assure anonymity, security for customers with data-sharing initiative

PETALING JAYA: Reaffirming their commitment to protecting customer privacy, telcos say data shared with the Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) is strictly anonymised.

CelcomDigi clarified its involvement in the Mobile Phone Data (MPD) initiative by MCMC, emphasising that it adheres to the highest standards of data protection.

The company's policies, it stated, are in line with the Communications and Multimedia Act, the Personal Data Protection Act, and other relevant regulations.

"We continuously conduct comprehensive reviews of privacy and data protection compliance across the company to drive constant improvements, aligned with best practices, and to stay abreast of new and emerging legislation," it said in a statement yesterday.

Anonymisation is a data processing technique that removes or modifies personally identifiable information, resulting in data that cannot be associated with any one individual.

CelcomDigi has pledged to continue working intently with MCMC to support the government's initiatives without compromising the integrity of customer data, adding that adequate processes and controls would remain in place.

"When required, CelcomDigi will process requested data within our own secure environments and provide a limited sample of relevant fields, comprising anonymised and aggregated output, to MCMC.

"At all times, we will operate under tight security protocols and in compliance with relevant data protection laws and regulations, with stringent limitations on any

personal identifiable information," it said.

Telekom Malaysia (TM) said the MPD submitted to MCMC was fully anonymised and did not contain personally identifiable information.

"The submission of this data is carried out under strict governance and security protocols, in full compliance with applicable company policies as well as national laws and regulatory requirements.

"TM remains fully committed to safeguarding the safety and privacy of customer data with responsibility and integrity," it said.

In its response, UMobile said at no point will personally identifiable information be shared or processed when the MPD is shared.

"UMobile affirms that the privacy and protection of our customers' data is a top priority. We are aware of the objectives of the

initiative and are committed to working with MCMC in a manner that upholds the highest standards of data governance," it said.

It was reported that, according to industry sources, the government had instructed local telcos in April to hand over detailed call and Internet usage logs for the first quarter of the year under the MPD project.

The data requested reportedly included call logs and IP call records, as well as precise location information, including latitude and longitude.

The report stated that telcos which fail to comply will be considered to have infringed the Communications and Multimedia Act, which carries a RM20,000 fine or six months' jail.

MCMC has since explained that the move was to support evidence-based policymaking in two

key sectors - Information and Communication Technology, and tourism.

It stated that the data will be anonymised before it is submitted and that no individual subscriber could be identified through the data collected.

YTL Communications Sdn Bhd confirmed that it has complied with MCMC's directive to submit mobile network usage records for the first quarter of 2025 in support of the government's recently approved mandate to use MPD for national statistics.

"In fulfilling this obligation, YTL Communications has taken rigorous steps to anonymise all data prior to submission.

"No personally identifiable information has been shared, and customer privacy remains our highest priority," it said in a statement.

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TVET Malaysia jadi rujukan ASEAN

KISAH kejayaan seorang graduan Institut Kemahiran Mara (IKM) Kampung Pandan yang kini berkhidmat sebagai mekanik badan kapal terbang Qatar Airways di Doha telah membuka mata ramai pihak terhadap potensi besar Pendidikan dan Latihan Teknikal dan Vokasional (TVET).

Perkongsian Pengerusi Majlis Amanah Rakyat (Mara), Datuk Dr. Asyraf Wajdi Dusuki, mengenai graduan tersebut, Ibrahim dari Merlimau, Melaka, menarik perhatian ramai apabila dimaklumkan beliau memperoleh pendapatan mencecah RM20,000 sebulan.

Kisah ini bukan sahaja menjadi inspirasi, malah mengubah persepsi umum bahawa TVET hanyalah untuk pelajar kelas belakang.

Ia membuktikan bahawa bidang ini turut mampu menarik minat pelajar cemerlang yang memperoleh keputusan 'straight A' dan ingin mencubai bidang kemahiran.

TVET kini dilihat sebagai laluan kerjaya yang mempunyai masa depan cerah dan berdaya saing tinggi di peringkat global.

Kerajaan Malaysia turut menyokong perkembangan ini dengan langkah proaktif melalui kerjasama strategik bersama institusi pendidikan dan rakan industri antarabangsa, termasuk dari United Kingdom (UK).

Matlamatnya adalah membangunkan hab pensijilan dan kecemerlangan TVET yang diiktiraf di peringkat serantau, selari dengan agenda negara untuk melahirkan tenaga kerja berkemahiran tinggi.

Timbalan Perdana Menteri, Datuk Seri Dr. Ahmad Zahid Hamidi, dalam satu kenyataan, menegaskan hasrat kerajaan untuk menjadikan Malaysia bukan sahaja pengeluar tenaga mahir, malah sebagai pusat rujukan latihan dan pensijilan TVET yang berwibawa di rantau ASEAN.

Inisiatif ini bukan sahaja membuka lebih banyak peluang kepada generasi muda, malah meningkatkan daya saing negara dalam ekonomi global.

Platform global ini akan membantu melahirkan lebih ramai bakat muda yang berkemahiran tinggi dan berpotensi besar untuk menyumbang kepada pembangunan negara.

Ini merupakan perkembangan positif yang memberi harapan besar kepada masa depan pendidikan negara dan pembinaan generasi pelapis yang lebih berkualiti.

Oleh itu, ibu bapa yang mempunyai anak kurang cemerlang dalam akademik kini boleh tersenyum girang apabila kemahiran turut menjadi pilihan utama dalam masa depan pekerjaan.

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Faktor kesihatan, kerja alasan gagal lapor PLKN

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Kesemua 206 peserta yang gagal melapor diri pada Program Latihan Khidmat Negara (PLKN) 3.0 pada Mei lalu terikat dengan Akta Khidmat Negara 2003.

Timbalan Menteri Pertahanan, Adly Zahari berkata, mereka dikenal pasti memberi alasan kesihatan dan pekerjaan faktor mereka tidak dapat hadir latihan terbabit.

Bagaimanapun beliau berkata, pihaknya akan melihat keadaan serta alasan yang diberikan sebelum mengambil tindakan.

"Kita pun perlu melihat semua justifikasi mereka yang tidak mendaftar tetapi jika tiada pilihan akta itu digunakan bagi mendisiplin-



Adly (kiri) bersalaman dengan penduduk Kampung Sungai Rual ketika Lawatan Kerja dan Korban Sempena Hari Raya Aidiladha Bersama Anggota Operasi Merpati Negeri Kelantan di Jeli pada Ahad.

kan mereka untuk memastikan beliau terlibat dengan PLKN.

"PLKN bukan sahaja berkaitan pembentukan dan nilai jati diri tetapi terlibat dengan kedaulatan negara," katanya.

Beliau berkata demikian kepada pemberita ketika Lawatan Kerja dan Korban Sempena Hari Raya Aidiladha Bersama Anggota Operasi Merpati Negeri Kelantan di sini pada Ahad.

Dalam pada itu Adly memberitahu,

sebahagian daripada peserta yang terpilih sudah mendaftarkan diri.

Media sebelum ini melaporkan, kesemua 550 peserta PLKN perlu melapor diri dalam PLKN 3.0 Siri 2/2025 selewat-lewatnya pada 16 Mei lalu.

Kegagalan melapor diri tanpa alasan munasabah atau tanpa bukti masalah kesihatan yang disahkan oleh pakar perubatan dianggap sebagai ingkar.

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Tragedi tanah runtuh di Batang Kali pada 2022 antara operasi mencabar yang pernah disertai wanita berusia 30 tahun ini

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Norazizah srikandi Hazmat, redah bahaya demi tugas

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Sebagai anggota Pasukan Khas Bahan Kimia Berbahaya (Hazmat) Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia (JBPM), Pegawai Bomba, Norazizah Nordin memiliki kemahiran untuk mengendalikan situasi kecemasan seperti kebocoran gas berbahaya, runtuh struktur industri atau tumpahan bahan kimia.

Wanita berumur 30 tahun itu juga merupakan anggota Pasukan Khas Taktikal Operasi Penyelamat Malaysia (STORM) yang berpengalaman dalam operasi mencari dan menyelamat melibatkan bencana besar.

Norazizah Nordin yang kini bertugas di Balai Bomba dan Penyelamat (BBP) Jalan Tun Razak, Kuala Lumpur berkata, menjadi anggota Hazmat memang dilatih dan perlu sentiasa dalam mengendalikan kes-kes melibatkan bahan kimia berbahaya.

"Selepas membuat pengesanan di sesuatu kawasan dilaporkan ada tumpah bahan kimia, tindakan selanjutnya adalah untuk menetralkan lokasi tersebut lebih-lebih lagi jika berlaku di



tempat awam.

"Setiap kes memerlukan penilaian awal yang tepat menjadikan proses mengenal pasti bahan sangat penting, menilai tahap risiko dan mengambil langkah kawalan sebelum operasi nyahcemar dilakukan," katanya kepada *Sinar Harian*.

Menurut Norazizah, bencana merupakan insiden yang tidak boleh diduga dan memerlukan daya tahan mental tinggi ketika menjalankan operasi selain ketahanan fizikal.

Misalnya ujar beliau, bagi situasi bencana seperti tanah runtuh, mahir memberikan bantuan pernafasan kecemasan (CPR) sahaja tidak mencukupi sebaliknya perlu cekap menggunakan peralatan lain.

"Ini kerana sesetengah situasi memang memerlukan saya untuk terlibat sama seperti pegawai bomba yang lain," ujarnya.

Mengimbas pengalamannya, Norazizah mengakui tragedi tanah runtuh di Batang Kali pada Disember 2022 antara operasi mencabar yang pernah disertai kerana insiden itu meragut 31 nyawa.

Ujarnya, pasukan khas bomba terpaksa 'berkampung' di lokasi selama sembilan hari dengan keadaan tanah tidak stabil dan berlumpur selain turut menyebabkan akses ke kawasan bencana amat berisiko.

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Norazizah mengakui tragedi tanah runtuh di Batang Kali pada Disember 2022 antara operasi mencabar yang pernah disertai kerana insiden itu meragut 31 nyawa.

"Ketika kejadian itu, kekuatan fizikal dan mental amat penting bagi operasi menyelamat mangsa yang terlibat. Sebagai anggota penyelamat, kami bukan sahaja perlu memastikan keselamatan orang ramai tetapi juga diri sendiri.

"Tidak dinafikan penat itu ada tetapi perasaan putus asa memang tiada dalam kamus hidup saya kerana kami sebagai anggota JBPM bekerja secara berkumpulan.

"Jatuh bangun, kami bersama-sama hadapi segala kesulitan," katanya.

Beliau yang sudah berkhidmat selama enam tahun berkata, unit khas seperti Hazmat dan STORM bukan sesuatu per-

kara mudah apatah lagi kerjaya itu majoriti adalah anggota lelaki.

Namun baginya, wanita juga perlu tampil berani dan yakin menyahut cabaran kerjaya tersebut dengan menunjukkan keupayaan yang setaraf.

"Jika anggota lelaki angkat hos, kita juga mesti mampu melakukan perkara sama kerana kerjaya ini bukan sahaja berfokus kepada tugas individu tetapi lebih kepada kerja berpasukan yang saling menyokong dan memberi semangat.

"Jadi tiada apa perlu dirisaukan, apa yang penting kita mesti berani, yakin dengan diri sendiri dan bersedia untuk bekerja keras bersama pasukan," katanya.



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Penjawat awam ditahan, disyaki sengaja calar dua kereta

Ampang: Seorang penjawat awam ditahan Jumaat lalu kerana disyaki sengaja mencalarkan dua kereta menggunakan kunci di kawasan parkir sebuah pangsapuri di Taman Pandan Mewah di sini.

Ketua Polis Daerah Ampang Jaya, Asisten Komisioner Mohd Azam Ismail berkata, lelaki berusia 41 tahun disyaki melakukan perbuatan itu pada 19 dan 22 Mei lalu.

Menurutnya, mangsa

"Pada 22 Mei kira-kira jam 1 pagi sepupu mangsa meletakkan kenderaan Toyota di lot parkir yang sama dan mendapati terdapat kesan calar di pintu belakang"

Asisten Komisioner
Mohd Azam Ismail

adalah dua wanita tempatan yang meletakkan kenderaan mereka di lot parkir sama dalam kedua-dua kejadian berkenaan.

"Dalam kejadian pertama pada 19 Mei, mangsa meletakkan kenderaan jenis Honda di lot parkir berkenaan dan mendapati terdapat kesan calar di bahagian kanan pintu depan dan belakang, namun mangsa tidak pasti siapa pelakunya.

"Pada 22 Mei kira-kira

jam 1 pagi sepupu mangsa meletakkan kenderaan Toyota di lot parkir yang sama dan mendapati terdapat kesan calar di pintu belakang sekitar 6.40 pagi," katanya dalam satu kenyataan semalam.

Menurutnya, mangsa kemudian membuat aduan kepada pihak pengurusan pangsapuri dan semakan kamera litar tertutup (CCTV) merakam kejadian itu.

Beliau berkata, berdasarkan rakaman CCTV, mang-

sa melihat seorang lelaki sama yang juga seorang penduduk pangsapuri itu berjalan di sebelah kereta miliknya dalam kedua-dua kejadian.

"Bertindak di atas maklumat, polis menahan suspek pada 5.35 petang kelmarin di pekarangan kawasan parkir apartmen terbabit.

"Suspek berusia 41 tahun bekerja sebagai kerani di sebuah universiti awam ditahan dan turut dirampas

serangkai kunci bagi membantu siasatan," katanya.

Mohd Azam berkata, mangsa dan suspek tinggal di kawasan sama serta dipercayai tidak mengenali antara satu sama lain.

Katanya, motif kejadian masih dalam siasatan manakala semakan juga mendapati suspek terbabit tidak mempunyai rekod kesalahan lampau.

Menurutnya, kes disiasat mengikut Seksyen 427 Kanun Keseksaan (khianat).

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Fadillah melampah daging lembu pada program korban di Kampung Tupong Jaya, Kuching sempena Aidiladha, semalam. (Foto BERNAMA)

RM796.4j biayai 28 projek bekalan air seluruh negara

**Dana Pusat
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pinjaman diberi
kepada kerajaan
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Kuching: Kerajaan Persekutuan menyalurkan RM796.4 juta dalam bentuk pinjaman kepada kerajaan negeri bagi membiayai 28 projek bekalan air di seluruh negara tahun ini.

Timbalan Perdana Menteri, Datuk Seri Fadillah Yusof, berkata projek itu antara inisiatif diambil bagi menghadapi Monsun Barat Daya yang dijangka membawa cuaca kering serta keadaan kemarau.

Beliau berkata, setakat Mei tahun ini, 28 projek sedang dilaksanakan di bawah inisiatif tersebut.

"Daripada 28 projek terbabit, Sabah mencatat jumlah terbanyak dengan 12 projek berkaitan bekalan air; Sarawak (5); Pahang dan Terengganu masing-masing tiga; Kedah dan Perlis masing-masing dua, manakala Kelantan satu.

"Projek itu dilaksanakan oleh jabatan atau agensi pelaksana yang dilantik oleh kerajaan negeri masing-masing," katanya.

Beliau yang juga Menteri Perumahan Tenaga dan Transformasi Air (PETRA) ditemui media ketika hadir bersama isterinya, Datin Seri Ruziah Mohd Tahir pada program korban di Kampung Tupong Jaya, di sini, semalam.

Fadillah berkata, 15 projek kini masih dalam pembinaan, tujuh dalam proses perolehan, dua projek pada peringkat reka bentuk, empat projek membabitkan pengambilan balik tanah, proses penilaian kejuruteraan dan nota perubahan (NOC).

Sebanyak tujuh projek dijangka siap tahun ini, lima projek dijadual siap pada 2026, manakala baki 16 lagi dijangka siap 2027 ke atas secara berperingkat.

7 projek siap tahun ini

Fadillah berkata, tujuh projek yang dijadual siap tahun ini ialah menai ktaraf pam air mentah dan pam air bersih bertekanan tinggi di Loji Air Arau Fasa I, II dan III serta Intake Guar Sanji, Perlis.

Projek kedua ialah program peningkatan bekalan air terawat di Loji Rawatan Air Timah Tasoh, Perlis.

Turut dijadual siap tahun ini, program mengurangkan kadar kehilangan air tidak terhasil Lembaga Air Sibu (Fasa 2) serta projek membaiki pulih sistem agi-

han juga di Lembaga Air Sibu (Fasa 2), Sibu, Sarawak.

Selain itu, pemasangan paip air retikulasi baharu di Kuala Terengganu dan Marang, Terengganu serta projek mengatasi ke-keruhan tinggi di Loji Rawatan Air Sungai Bilut, Pahang juga dijadual siap tahun ini.

Projek ketujuh dijadual siap ialah penambahan kapasiti Loji Rawatan Air Telibong II dari 80 juta liter sehari (JLH) ke-160 JLH, termasuk saluran paip utama dan tangki simpanan di Sabah.

Beliau berkata, projek itu dilaksanakan sebagai persediaan bagi menghadapi musim kemarau berpanjangan ketika musim Monsun Barat Daya.

Selain melaksanakan projek baharu bagi memastikan keterjaminan bekalan air, Fadillah berkata, tumpuan utama PETRA kini ialah mengatasi masalah air tidak terhasil disebabkan kebocoran paip serta kecurian.

"Berdasarkan purata kehilangan secara keseluruhan air yang hilang adalah 40 peratus daripada air yang kita proses, membabitkan kerugian mencecah berbilion nilai wang.

"Sekarang fokus kita ialah mencari kaedah supaya dapat menyelesaikan masalah itu dengan menggantikan paip lama di seluruh negara dan dalam proses penukaran itu kita dapat mengesan kegiatan penyambungan haram di seluruh negara," katanya.

Penyelewengan sukuk tamparan besar kewangan negara

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Kelemahan dalam sistem kawalan dalaman syarikat dan institusi kewangan di Malaysia terus menjadi isu utama yang mencetuskan kebimbangan.

Isu ini bukan hanya merosakkan reputasi syarikat yang terabit, malah turut menjejaskan keyakinan pelabur domestik dan antarabangsa.

Penyelewengan dana membatikan jumlah besar, seperti dalam kes sukuk dan projek infrastruktur utama, menonjolkan kelemahan dalam pengurusan dan pengawasan kewangan negara.

Instrumen kewangan seperti sukuk, yang menjadi simbol kekuatan kewangan Islam Malaysia, kini diancam oleh kelemahan dalam pelaksanaan dan kawalan.

Seharusnya, sukuk melambangkan ketelusan dan integriti, namun sebaliknya penyelewengan yang berlaku mencerminkan kegagalan di pelbagai peringkat, daripada pengawasan dokumen hinggalah pemantauan oleh badan audit dalaman dan luaran.

Lebih membimbangkan, isu ini membuka ruang kepada persepsi negatif terhadap kestabilan sistem kewangan Islam negara.

Antara kesan langsung daripada kelemahan ini, termasuk penurunan keyakinan pelabur, peningkatan kos pembiayaan bagi syarikat tempatan dan ancaman terhadap reputasi Malaysia pada peringkat global.

Dalam era persaingan sengit untuk menarik pelaburan asing, sebarang kelemahan dalam pengurusan kewangan boleh membawa kepada implikasi jangka panjang yang merugikan negara.

Tambahan pula, kegagalan untuk mengesan dan mencegah penyelewengan dana pada peringkat awal menunjukkan perlunya reformasi sistemik, iaitu Malaysia memerlukan sistem kawalan yang lebih berkesan, yang tidak hanya menumpukan kepada pematuan, tetapi juga membina budaya integriti dan akauntabiliti di semua peringkat organisasi.

Menjelaskan perkara ini, Pengarah Program MBA Putra Business School (PBS), Prof Dr Ahmed Razman Abdul Latiff, me-



Keadaan terkini lebuhraya yang terbengkalai didakwa berkait dengan kes penyelewengan dana sukuk lebuhraya.

nekankan kelemahan dalam kawalan dalaman ialah satu punca utama penyelewengan kewangan.

"Pegawai yang memproses permohonan harus memastikan dokumen yang dilampirkan sah dan tepat," katanya.

Selain itu, unit audit dalaman dan kawalan dalaman berfungsi secara lebih berkesan untuk mengelakkan risiko yang tidak dijangka.

Di sini letaknya kepentingan dasar pelaporan dalaman untuk membolehkan pekerja melaporkan kegiatan mencurigakan tanpa rasa takut.

"Sistem pengurusan risiko yang mantap diperlukan untuk memastikan segala prosedur dipatuhi dengan teliti," kata Ahmed Razman.

Penganalisis Ekonomi UniKL Business School, Prof Madya Dr Aimi Zulhazmi Abdul Rashid, pula menekankan peranan penting syarikat pemegang amanah dalam memastikan kelancaran dan ketelusan pengurusan sukuk.

Pemegang amanah bertanggungjawab memastikan pembayaran keutungan kepada pemegang sukuk setiap tahun sehingga tempoh matang.

Namun, jika penyelewengan berlaku, pemegang amanah juga perlu bertanggungjawab.

"Syarikat pemegang amanah

ke atas sukuk ini juga perlu dipertanggungjawab sekiranya penyelewengan berlaku dalam pengetahuannya," kata Aimi Zulhazmi.

Beri ruang siasatan SPRM

Dalam pada itu, semua pihak harus membiarkan Suruhanjaya Pencegahan Rasuah Malaysia (SPRM) menjalankan siasatan sepenuhnya tanpa gangguan.

Sebelum ini, negara terpalit dengan kes membabitkan sukuk bernilai RM1.35 bilion yang sepatutnya digunakan untuk projek lebuhraya di Lembah Klang, sekali gus mencerminkan kelemahan dalam sistem kawalan kewangan.

Dana berkenaan dilaporkan diselewengkan untuk peribadi seperti pembelian aset mewah dan perjudian.

Penganalisis Ekonomi di Strat369 Consulting, Dr Mohamad Khair Afham Muhammad Senan, menyifatkan kes itu sebagai tamparan besar kepada sistem kewangan Islam di Malaysia.

"Penyelewengan ini bukan sahaja mencerminkan kelemahan dalam pengurusan kewangan Islam, tetapi turut menjejaskan kepercayaan pelabur terhadap sistem kewangan kita," katanya. Penyelewengan dana juga mengurangkan keyakinan pelabur, meningkatkan kos pembiayaan

bagi entiti korporat dan menjejaskan kedudukan Malaysia dalam indeks persepsi rasuah global.

"Kes ini boleh menjejaskan kepercayaan rakyat terhadap institusi kewangan dan kerajaan, membawa kepada risiko ketidakstabilan sosial dan politik," katanya.

Penganalisis sependapat bahawa langkah penambahbaikan segera perlu dilaksanakan untuk memulihkan kepercayaan terhadap sistem kewangan Malaysia.

Cadangan termasuk memperkukuh sistem pengawasan, meningkatkan ketelusan dalam laporan kewangan dan memastikan pematuan kepada piawaian etika dan profesional yang tinggi.

Pendidikan dan kesedaran tentang kepentingan integriti dalam pengurusan kewangan juga perlu ditingkatkan dalam kalangan pengurus dan pegawai kewangan.

Kesimpulannya, kes penyelewengan itu peringatan keras kepada pentingnya reformasi menyeluruh dalam sistem kawalan dan pengawasan kewangan Malaysia.

Dengan mengambil langkah drastik dan membina semula kepercayaan pelabur, Malaysia berpotensi untuk terus menjadi hab kewangan Islam yang dihormati di peringkat global.

Penyelewengan ini bukan saja mencerminkan kelemahan dalam pengurusan kewangan Islam, tetapi turut menjejaskan kepercayaan pelabur terhadap sistem kewangan kita

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Prof Madya Dr Aimi Zulhazmi Abdul Rashid, Penganalisis Ekonomi UniKL Business School



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Dadah zombie mungkin dihasilkan secara haram

AADK perlu siap siaga kemungkinan penggunaan lebih berleluasa

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Kuala Lumpur: Penggunaan dadah fentanil atau zombie yang dikesan di negara ini berkemungkinan dihasilkan secara haram dan bukannya disebabkan oleh penggunaan ubat di hospital.

Justeru, Pakar Pusat Penyelidikan Dadah dan Ubat-Ubatan Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM), Prof Dr B Vicknasingam, berkata Agensi Anti Dadah Kebangsaan (AADK) perlu bekerjasama dengan pertubuhan bukan kerajaan (NGO) di negara ini untuk mengenal pasti setakat mana penggunaannya.

Beliau yang juga Panel Pakar Pergantungan Dadah Pertubuhan Pakar Kesihatan Sedunia (WHO) berkata, Kementerian Kesihatan (KKM) perlu peka ketika memantau pesakit yang datang ke wad kecemasan sekiranya un-



tuk mendapatkan rawatan pengambilan berlebihan selepas menggunakan fentanil.

"Fentanil adalah dadah jenis opiod yang digunakan sebagai ubat untuk menahan sakit ketika doktor mahu melakukan pembedahan atau selepas pembedahan.

"Sama seperti di Amerika Syarikat (AS) kebanyakannya dihasilkan daripada sumber yang haram dan dilakukan secara sendiri, disebabkan itu Presidennya, Donald Trump mahu menghentikan kemasukan fentanil ini dari Mexico dan China," katanya kepada BH.

Laporan eksklusif BH kelmarin mendedahkan dadah fentanil atau 'dadah zombie' kini kian menular di negara ini dan digunakan secara meluas di Lembah Klang dan Johor.

Dadah itu dikatakan memberi kesan 100 kali lebih kuat berbanding morfin. Dalam sektor kesihatan, dadah itu digunakan se-



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bagai bius dalam bentuk suntikan di hospital dan ubat tahan sakit yang kuat.

Dikesan dalam air kumbahan
Namun, persampelan yang dilakukan oleh Polis Diraja Malaysia (PDRM) bersama Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) mendapati, dadah berkenaan kini dikesan dalam air kumbahan yang diambil di 14 daerah di negara ini.

Vicknasingam berkata, persampelan dari air kumbahan dapat mengetahui jika sesuatu jenis dadah itu wujud dalam sesuatu komuniti berkenaan.

"AADK, KKM dan NGO memberikan rawatan dan pemulihan harus menguji penggunaan dadah jenis fentanil supaya gam-

baran lebih menyeluruh dapat diperoleh.

Hal ini kerana ujian urin dibuat AADK difahamkan hanya boleh mengesan antara lima hingga tujuh jenis dadah dan fentanil ini tidak termasuk," katanya.

Dalam pada itu, Vicknasingam berkata kerajaan perlu bersiap siaga menghadapi ancaman penularan fentanil di dalam negara ini.

"AADK kena siap siaga dengan kemungkinan penggunaannya lebih berleluasa kerana fentanil ini adalah simetik opiod yang sangat kuat.

"AADK dan KKM harus mempunyai protokol rawatan serta bersiap sedia untuk menghadapi gejala ini," katanya.

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78.7 peratus graduan tidak sedia bekerja

Situasi didorong faktor kurang pendedahan aspek praktikal di tempat kerja ketika di IPT

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Kuala Lumpur: Pusat Kajian Pasaran Buruh Masa Hadapan (EU-ERA), THE FUTURE, mendedahkan sebanyak 78.7 peratus graduan di negara ini, tidak bersedia sepenuhnya untuk memasuki alam pekerjaan selepas tamat pengajian masing-masing.

Dapatan hasil kajian 'Job Market Monitor' yang kali pertama dibuat di negara ini oleh pusat itu, mendapati daripada jumlah terbabit, 44.4 peratus ketidaksediaan itu membabitkan sektor pekerja berkemahiran, antaranya bidang profesional, pengu- rusan dan eksekutif (PMEI).

Kajian yang dilakukan itu membabitkan 506 responden dari seluruh negara, melalui pensam- pelan secara dalam talian, terdiri daripada mereka berusia di an- tara 24 hingga 35 tahun.

Penganalisis ekonomi Pusat Kajian Pasaran Buruh Masa Ha- dapan (EU-ERA), THE FUTURE, Dr Mohd Yusof Saari, berkata ia

mendapati hanya 21.3 peratus graduan di negara ini bersedia sepenuhnya untuk memasuki bi- dang pekerjaan.

Beliau berkata, situasi itu memberi kesan kepada hasil ker- ja graduan di mana separuh da- ripada mereka memasuki tenaga kerja, mendapat pekerjaan PMET sebagai pekerjaan perta- ma mereka.

"Sementara 55.6 peratus gra- duan yang kurang bersedia me- masuki pekerjaan membabitkan bidang bukan kemahiran," ka- tanya kepada BH, di sini.

Sebelum ini, THE FUTURE tu- rut mendedahkan lebih 65 pera- tus pemegang ijazah pertama di negara ini, memperoleh gaji di bawah RM3,000 sebulan, sekali gus memperoleh pendapatan 'cu- kup-cukup makan' tanpa ruang untuk menyimpan, mela- bur, atau meningkatkan mobiliti sosial mere- ka.

Selain itu, lebih 70 peratus siswa- zah di negara ini di- dapati terpaksa bekerja dalam sek- tor separa mahir dan tidak mahir.

Pada masa sama, Mohd Yusof berkata, ke- tidaksediaan sepenuhnya gra- duan untuk bekerja menyebab- kan mereka tidak mampu me- nyediakan kemahiran yang di- jangkaan majikan.

Katanya, situasi itu dipercayai turut disumbangkan oleh insti- tuti pengajian tinggi (IPT) yang kurang mendedahkan terhadap aspek praktikal di tempat kerja dan banyak bergantung kepada teori sahaja.

"Di universiti, memang ada fi-

nishing school di mana sebelum menghabiskan pengajian, mere- ka didedahkan dengan suasana pekerjaan, termasuk apa jangka- an dari majikan.

"Namun, platform itu tidak cu- kup kerana ia hanya dilaksana- kan beberapa hari sahaja, se- dangkan pendedahan kepada du- nia pekerjaan sepatutnya dibuat seawal pengajian lagi secara ber- terusan," katanya.

Beliau turut menambah, peru- bahan terhadap sikap dan pemi- kiran produktif dalam dunia pe- kerjaan memerlukan intervensi jangka panjang.

Bimbingan kerjaya tak jelas

Beliau berkata, pendekatan uni- versiti yang hanya mengajar tanpa bimbingan kerjaya yang jelas, dikehendaki menyebabkan graduan 'terum- bang-ambing' di alam pekerjaan kelak, sekali gus gagal mencapai jangkaan majikan.

Katanya, beliau tu- rut mencadangkan supaya sesi praktikal bukan hanya dibuat se- kali sepanjang penga- jian, sebaliknya dite- rapkan pada setiap cuti semester untuk 'mem- biasakan' graduan de- ngan dunia pekerjaan.

"Budaya bekerja tidak diadap- tasi sepanjang pengajian. Diakui memang ada kerjasama di antara industri dengan universiti, na- mun ia tidak mencukupi," ka- tanya.

Mohd Yusof yang juga penga- rang kajian itu, berkata wujud juga kebimbangan apabila gra- duan yang terpaksa bekerja da- lam bidang di bawah kelayakan

mereka, terperangkap tanpa pe- ningkatan kerjaya kerana sudah berasa selesa.

Beliau berkata, ia dibuktikan melalui kajian itu yang menun- jukkan daripada 52.8 peratus gra- duan yang terpaksa bekerja di bawah kelayakan akademik me- reka selepas habis pengajian, le- bih separuh kekal di situ sebagai kerjaya tetap.

Katanya, daripada 47.2 peratus graduan yang berjaya menembusi sektor pekerjaan berkemahi- ran, 18.4 peratus ter- paksa 'turun pang- kat' ke sektor tidak berkemahiran atas pelbagai faktor ter- masuk disebabkan ekonomi.

"Kita khuatir apa- bila berlakunya si- tuasi seperti ini, ia boleh menyebabkan risiko krisis keper- cayaan kepada sis- tem pendidikan ke- rana anak muda le- bih berminat untuk bekerja da- lam sektor tak formal.

"Ini kerana walaupun mumpu- nyai kelayakan akademik lebih separuh daripada mereka, bukan sahaja terpaksa *downgrade*, na- mun terperangkap dalam sektor pekerjaan itu dalam jangka masa lama," katanya.

Beliau berkata, pihaknya me- lihat pendekatan kerajaan me-

lalui program Akademi Dalam Industri (ADI) yang kini disertai lebih 20,000 pelajar membabitkan hampir 1,500 rakan strategik, adalah baik untuk masa depan anak muda.

ADI adalah satu kaedah untuk mempersilkan mana-mana in- dividu yang boleh membuktikan kekompetenan seperti digaris- kan dalam Standard Kemahiran Pekerjaan Kebangsaan (NOSS) melalui latihan teori dan aktiviti kerja sepanjang program.

Sementara itu, Dr Mohd Yusof berkata, universiti awam di ne- gara ini tidak lagi boleh mene- rapkan 'konsep pasaraya' dengan menawarkan semua subjek di ba- wah satu bumbung.

Beliau berkata, sebaliknya Ma- laysia boleh mencontohi konsep pendidikan tinggi seperti dilak- sanakan di Vietnam di mana uni- versiti awam hanya memfokus- kan terhadap bidang Sains, Ma- tematik, Kejuruteraan dan Tek- nologi (STEM).

"Di Vietnam, universiti awam hanya menawarkan bidang STEM, manakala kursus penga- jian lain 'diserahkan' kepada insti- tuti pengajian tinggi swasta.

"Pendekatan seperti ini perlu diguna pakai di negara ini bagi membolehkan sesebuah univer- sity fokus untuk menghasilkan modal insan yang berkepakaran terhadap satu-satu bidang," ka- tanya.



Mohd Yusof Saari

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Faktor kesihatan, kerja antara alasan pelatih tak daftar PLKN

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Jeli: Faktor kesihatan dan terikat dengan kerja antara alasan diberikan oleh 206 peserta yang gagal melapor diri pada Program Latihan Khidmat Negara (PLKN) 3.0 pada Mei lalu.

Timbalan Menteri Pertahanan, Adly Zahari, berkata semua mereka terikat dengan Akta Khidmat Negara 2003.

"Kita sudah mengeluarkan senarai nama peserta yang terpilih, namun didapati tidak mendaftarkan diri. Setakat ini, kita kenal pasti beberapa alasan diberikan peserta termasuk faktor kesihatan dan terikat dengan pekerjaan.

Justeru, kita akan melihat secara keseluruhan alasan mereka berikan sehingga gagal melapor diri.

"Berdasarkan kaedah digunakan kepada mereka menerusi notis sebaliknya turut berhubung dengan peserta berkenaan," katanya pada sidang media pada Program Peduli Veteran MADANI di sini, semalam.

Justeru, Adly berkata, pihaknya akan mendapatkan laporan selain mendengar pembentangan jawatankuasa Jabatan Latihan Khidmat Negara (JLKN) berhubung isu berkenaan dan akan

mencari jalan penyelesaian.

"Kita memang ada akta yang mengikat mereka, namun sebelum menggunakan akta itu, kita perlu melihat secara keseluruhan justifikasi kenapa mereka tidak mendaftarkan.

"Jika tiada pilihan baru kita menggunakan akta berkenaan untuk tujuan mendisiplinkan mereka," katanya.

Media sebelum ini melaporkan, JLKN mengingatkan mereka yang terpilih menyertai program PLKN 3.0 Siri 2/2025 agar melapor diri di kem PLKN selawat-lewatnya pada 16 Mei lalu.



Adly (kiri) berbual dengan sebahagian veteran pada Program Peduli Veteran MADANI di Jeli, semalam.
(Foto Nik Abdullah Nik Omar/BH)

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Aidiladha pilu buat mangsa letupan gas

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PUCHONG: Suasana Hari Raya Aidiladha tahun ini disambut suram bagi mangsa tragedi letupan paip gas di Kampung Kuala Sungai Baru di sini yang hilang kediaman akibat bencana itu.

Kemeriahan Aidiladha yang biasanya diraikan dengan takbir, juadah dan kunjungan sanak-saudara kini bertukar menjadi suasana penuh kesedihan buat mereka yang masih trauma dengan kejadian tersebut.

Mohd. Radzi Mohd. Rashid, 43, berkata, Aidiladha kali ini tidak seperti tahun-tahun sebelum ini malah sepi tanpa persiapan tradisi seperti biasa.

"Selalunya malam raya emak akan suruh kami sediakan kelengkapan korban, masak rendang dan kemas rumah. Tetapi tahun ini, rumah pun sudah tiada. Dulu, emak paling sibuk buat persiapan. Kini, dia hanya termenung," katanya kepada *Utusan Malaysia*.

Radzi yang sebelum ini menetap di Lot 5 Kampung Kuala Sungai Baru kini menyewa di Lot 43 kampung sama juga hilang sumber pendapatan tetap selepas bas sekolah diusahakan musnah dalam kejadian April lalu.

"Saya bersyukur masih hidup, tetapi hati ini pedih apabila kenangan nasib kami, terutama keadaan emak yang



MANGSA tragedi kebakaran paip gas melapah daging korban sempena Hari Raya Aidiladha anjuran Pertubuhan Kebajikan Penduduk Kampung Sungai Baru, di Puchong, semalam. - UTUSAN/SADDAM YUSOFF

trauma," katanya.

Sementara itu, Zainuddin Abdul Halim, 60, berkata, Aidiladha yang biasanya diraikan dengan semangat pengorbanan kini memberi makna baharu kerana dia juga mangsa letupan itu.

"Sehingga kini kami sekeluarga masih menerima rawatan susulan di Hospital Putrajaya, ada ahli keluarga yang mengikuti sesi kaunseling bagi menstabilkan emosi yang masih terganggu. Kami sambut raya dalam kekurangan, tetapi alhamdulillah rakan-rakan datang memberi sokongan," katanya.

Kesemua mereka hadir da-

lam program Ibadah Qurban Mangsa Letupan Gas kampung itu yang dilangsungkan di rumah salah seorang penduduk kampung. Program itu melibatkan penyembelihan dua ekor lembu, seekor kerbau dan tiga kambing untuk diagihkan kepada mangsa.

Pengerusi Pertubuhan Kebajikan Penduduk Kampung Kuala Sungai Baru, Baharuddin Yusuf berkata, program gotong-royong anjuran pertubuhan dan Masjid Nurul Iman itu bertujuan mengagihkan daging korban kepada keluarga terjejas sebagai tanda simpati dan perpaduan berterusan.

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137 jemaah ditipu 'Infaq Haji' babit kerugian RM2 juta

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PETALING JAYA: Kira-kira 37 laporan diterima polis membabitkan 124 jemaah mangsa penipuan 'Infaq Haji' sehingga Jumaat lalu dengan keseluruhan kerugian yang dicatatkan adalah RM2,006,430.99.

Pemangku Pengarah Jabatan Siasatan Jenayah Komersial, Datuk Seri Muhammed Hasbullah Ali berkata, berdasarkan rekod Jabatan Siasatan Jenayah Komersil (JSJK) Bukit Aman, sebanyak 11 kertas siasatan telah dibuka dengan tiga tangkapan dibuat setakat ini.

Kata beliau, siasatan lebih menyeluruh dan terperinci dilaksanakan terhadap semua laporan berkaitan kes penipuan 'Infaq haji' ini.

"Pihak kami juga sedang bekerjasama rapat dengan agensi berkaitan termasuk Tabung Haji (TH) dan Kementerian Pelancongan untuk menyemak status sah syarikat-syarikat yang menawarkan pakej sedemikian.

"Pasukan Khas (Task Force Haji) juga telah ditubuhkan sejak tahun lalu di mana JSJK bekerjasama rapat dengan TH dan MOTAC dalam menangani kes-kes jemaah haji yang terkan-
das," katanya ketika dihubungi

di sini semalam.

Muhammed Hasbullah berkata, berdasarkan pengamatan oleh JSJK, corak aktiviti penipuan infaq haji hampir sama dengan beberapa kes penipuan lain yang melibatkan umrah, haji dan derma berunsurkan agama.

"Ini termasuk penawaran pakej percuma melalui infaq orang ramai termasuk syarikat-syarikat tertentu yang sebenarnya tidak pernah wujud.

"JSJK sedang menyiasat sama ada wujud rangkaian sindiket yang terlibat dalam aktiviti ini dan akan memperluaskan siasatan ke seluruh negara," jelasnya.

Beliau berkata, kes-kes peni-

puan sebegini turut mengambil sedikit masa yang panjang disebabkan memerlukan penelitian rapi membabitkan pelbagai bukti.

"Ini termasuk rekod dokumen transaksi, rekod perbankan selain kerjasama dari setiap mangsa.

"Siasatan mestilah lengkap sebelum tindakan pendakwaan boleh diambil. Walaubagaimanapun, pihak kami sedang mempercepatkan proses tersebut dan sekiranya bukti mencukupi, tindakan tangkapan dan pendakwaan akan dilakukan dalam masa terdekat," ujarnya.

Beliau berkata, siasatan kes penipuan haji tidak wujud ini dijalankan di bawah Seksyen

420 Kanun Keseksaan namun tidak ada kes di bawah Kanun Keseksaan sekiranya mangsa sedar dari awal sebelum mereka bertolak ke Tanah Suci Mekah bahawa mereka menggunakan visa selain visa haji.

"PDRM tidak mempunyai kuasa di bawah Akta Tabung Haji untuk menyiasat kesalahan membabitkan perkhidmatan Pengelola Jemaah Haji (PJH) yang tidak dilantik oleh TH yang mana mangsa telah tiba di Mekah.

"Selain itu, kerjasama dalam bentuk untuk mengesahkan kewujudan atau tidak mengenai visa muajamalah yang ditawarkan," katanya.

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BERIKUTAN ramai warga kota pulang ke kampung sempena Hari Raya Aidiladha, keadaan di Jalan Raja Laut, Kuala Lumpur lengang ketika tinjauan *Utusan Malaysia*, semalam. - UTUSAN/ISKANDAR ISHAK

Trafik tinggi di lebuh raya, 2.4 juta perantau pulang dari desa

PETALING JAYA: Sebanyak 2.4 juta kenderaan menggunakan lebuh raya bermula semalam selepas meraikan Hari Raya Aidiladha di kampung masing-masing.

Lembaga Lebuhraya Malaysia (LLM) dalam satu kenyataan semalam berkata, antara lebuh raya yang menunjukkan trafik perlahan setakat pukul 4 petang semalam adalah laluan Lebuhraya Utara Selatan dari utara

dan juga dari selatan.

Selain itu katanya, Lebuhraya Kuala Lumpur-Karak (KLK) menuju barat iaitu Lentang, Bukit Tinggi menuju Terowong Genting Sempah dan Gombak turut mengalami trafik yang perlahan.

Sementara itu, aliran arah selatan Semenanjung Malaysia juga mengalami kesesakan iaitu di Johor Bahru ke Woodlands dan kedua-dua arah.

LLM mengingatkan orang ramai agar elakkan memandu dalam keadaan mengantuk bagi mengelak *microsleep* dan beristirehat sebentar di lokasi rehat Rehat & Rawat terdekat sebelum meneruskan perjalanan.

Bagaimanapun kawasan pusat bandar Kuala Lumpur kelihatan lengang kecuali warga asing yang keluar bersantai kawasan-kawasan tumpuan.

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KEBELAKANGAN ini persaingan dalam pemasangan panel solar terutama untuk kediaman sangat sengit. Selain insentif daripada kerajaan, pelbagai promosi menarik ditawarkan oleh penyedia sistem solar rumah ini termasuk menawarkan harga lebih rendah.

Harga rendah memang akan menguntungkan pengguna, tetapi pada masa perlu diingat apakah produk yang dibekal menepati standard keselamatan yang ditetapkan.

Pemasangan dan operasi panel solar melibatkan banyak pertimbangan keselamatan.

Seperti bahaya elektrik, risiko kemalangan seperti jatuh dari ketinggian dan potensi kebakaran.

Menurut Pengarah Urusan Gading Kencana Sdn. Bhd., Datuk Ir. Guntor Tobeng, protokol keselamatan sangat penting bagi mengelakkan kejadian yang tidak diingini.

"Contohnya, kes-kes kemalangan maut ketika pemasangan solar di Malaysia terutama yang melibatkan warga asing disebabkan mereka tidak patuh kepada peraturan keselamatan. Ambil risiko hingga kehilangan nyawa.

"Sebab itu pemilik-pemilik yang mahu memasang solar perlu peka dengan aspek keselamatan dan kena mainkan peranan supaya pembekal mereka peka tentang pemuat-han aspek keselamatan," katanya.

Beliau yang juga Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif (CEO) Fakulti Kejuruteraan dan Elektrik Universiti Malaysia Perlis (UniMAP) berkata, dengan industri tenaga solar Malaysia makin berkembang, cabaran utama adalah menguruskan aspek keselamatan.

Katanya, sebab itu diwujudkan Akta Keselamatan dan Kesihatan Pekerjaan (OSHA) Pindaan 2022 dan Peraturan Reka Bentuk dan Pengurusan (CDM) 2024, yang dikuatkuasakan di bawah OSHA 1994, bagi memastikan pengurusan risiko dilakukan secara proaktif oleh semua pihak terbabit.

"Ia memastikan bahaya ditangani sebelum pembinaan atau kerja-kerja bermula. Peraturan ini memastikan pelanggan, pereka bentuk, kontraktor dan kontraktor utama bertanggungjawab untuk mengekalkan piawaian keselamatan sepanjang kitaran hayat projek solar.

"Walaupun prinsip CDM menetapkan langkah keselamatan yang luas, ketiadaan Kod Amalan Industri (ICOP) untuk tenaga solar meninggalkan jurang dalam industri amalan terbaik khusus.

"ICOP solar yang berdedikasi akan memperkenalkan garis panduan yang jelas untuk pengasingan



ASPEK keselamatan perlu diberi keutamaan dalam pemasangan sistem solar di rumah.

KEJAR SOLAR MURAH, JANGAN SAMPAI KESELAMATAN TERABAI

"PEMILIK-PEMILIK YANG MAHU MEMASANG SOLAR PERLU PEKA DENGAN ASPEK KESELAMATAN DAN KENA MAINKAN PERANAN."



GUNTOR TOBENG

elektrik, piawaian kecekapan untuk pembekal perkhidmatan PV solar, dan protokol tindak balas kecemasan, menyediakan langkah keselamatan yang konsisten untuk semua pihak berkepentingan," katanya.

Gading Kencana yang berpengalaman kira-kira 30 tahun dalam industri tenaga solar dan mengendalikan empat ladang solar di seluruh negara menyenaraikan langkah keselamatan utama yang biasanya diikuti semasa pemasangan solar.

Ini boleh dijadikan panduan oleh para pemilik premis dalam memastikan pihak yang terbabit dalam pemasangan mematuhi prosedur operasi standard (SOP).

KESELAMATAN ELEKTRIK

- Nyah tenaga litar sebelum memulakan sebarang kerja.
- Gunakan alat berbebat dan pakai sarung tangan getah semasa mengendalikan wayar hidup.
- Ikuti prosedur
- Pastikan semua pendawaian mematuhi Kod Elektrik Kebangsaan (NEC) atau piawaian tempatan.
- Pasang pbumian dan ika-

tan yang betul untuk mengelakkan kejutan elektrik.

ELAK KEMALANGAN

- Gunakan sistem pelindung yang betul (contoh, abah-abah, sauh, lanyard).
- Pasang pagar atau jaring keselamatan di atas bumbung.
- Menjalankan penilaian keadaan bumbung sebelum memulakan kerja.
- Gunakan tangga dengan betul (sudut yang betul, tapak yang selamat).

PERALATAN PELINDUNG DIRI

- Topi keledar: Melindungi daripada kecederaan kepala.
- Cermin mata keselamatan: Untuk perlindungan mata.
- Sarung tangan: Perlindungan elektrik dan mekanikal.
- Kasut keselamatan: Penting untuk kerja atas bumbung.
- Pakaian terang, mudah dilihat: Terutamanya dalam pemasangan komersial atau tepi jalan.

FAKTOR PERSEKITARAN

- Jadualkan kerja semasa cuaca yang sesuai untuk mengelakkan haba melampau atau

permukaan licin akibat hujan.

- Kekal terhidrat dan berehat untuk mengelakkan keletihan haba.
- Pantau pendedahan UV; gunakan pelindung matahari dan pakaian pelindung.

PENILAIAN TAPAK DAN LATIHAN

- Menjalankan penilaian risiko tapak sebelum pemasangan.
- Latih semua pekerja tentang protokol keselamatan dan tindak balas kecemasan.
- Simpan peti pertolongan cemas dan maklumat hubungan kecemasan di tapak.
- Pastikan langkah-langkah keselamatan kebakaran disediakan (contohnya, alat pemadam api, jalan keluar yang jelas).

PEMATUHAN DAN DOKUMENTASI

- Akta Keselamatan dan Kesihatan Pekerjaan (OSHA) atau garis panduan kawal selia tempatan.
- Mengekalkan permit dan pemeriksaan terkini.
- Log semua pemeriksaan keselamatan dan insiden.



The capacity at the Telibong II Water Treatment Plant in Sabah will be expanded this year.

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RM796M LOANS FOR 28 WATER PROJECTS

Funds to help state govts boost supply to face drought during southwest monsoon

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THE federal government has allocated RM796.4 million in the form of loans to state governments to finance 28 water supply projects this year.

Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Fadillah Yusof said the projects were among the initiatives to address the southwest monsoon, which is expected to bring dry weather and drought conditions.

He said that up to last month, 28 projects were being implemented under this initiative.

"Of the 28 projects, Sabah recorded the highest number with 12 water supply-related projects, five in Sarawak, three each in Pahang and Terengganu, two each in Kedah and Perlis, and one in Kelantan.

"These projects are being carried out by departments or implementing agencies appointed by the state governments."

Fadillah, who is energy transition and water transformation minister, said this at a *korban* (sacrificial slaughter) programme in Kampung Tupong Jaya here yesterday.

Present was his wife, Datin Seri Ruziah Mohd Tahir.

Fadillah said that 15 projects were under construction, seven were in the procurement process, two at the design stage and four involved land acquisition, engineering evaluation, and notes of change.

Seven projects are expected to be completed this year, five are scheduled for completion next year, while the remaining 16 are expected to be completed from 2027 onwards.

He said the seven projects scheduled for completion this year were:

THE upgrading of raw water and high-pressure clean water pumps at the Arau Water Treatment Plant Phases I, II, and III, as well as the Guar Sanji Intake in Perlis;

THE treated water supply improvement programme at the Timah Tasoh Water Treatment Plant in Perlis;

THE Phase 2 programme to reduce non-revenue water under the Sibul Water Board;

THE Phase 2 project to rehabilitate the distribution system, also under the Sibul Water Board in Sibul, Sarawak;

THE installation of new retic-

ulation water pipes in Kuala Terengganu and Marang in Terengganu;

THE project to address high turbidity levels at the Sungai Bilut Water Treatment Plant in Pahang; and,

THE capacity expansion of the Telibong II Water Treatment Plant in Sabah, from 80 million litres per day to 160 million litres per day, including the main pipeline and storage tank.

Fadillah said these projects were being implemented as preparation to face a prolonged drought during the southwest monsoon.

In addition to implementing new projects to ensure water supply security, Fadillah said the ministry's focus was on non-revenue water caused by pipe leakages and theft.

"Based on the national average, about 40 per cent of the water we process is lost, resulting in billions of ringgit in losses.

"Our focus is to find ways to resolve this issue by replacing old pipes. During this replacement process, we can detect illegal water connections."

Meanwhile, he said monitoring was being carried out at all water reservoirs to ensure adequate water levels during the southwest monsoon.

"Water levels at the reservoirs, especially in the northern region of Peninsular Malaysia, remain healthy."

NEW STRAITS TIMES

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'Health issues, work among reasons cited by 206 National Service absentees'

JELI: Health issues and job commitments were among the reasons given by 206 individuals who failed to report for the National Service Training Programme 3.0 last month.

Deputy Defence Minister Adly Zahari said all of them were bound by the National Service Training Act 2003.

"We have already released the

list of selected individuals, but it was found that they did not register.

"We have identified several reasons provided, including health issues and work commitments.

"Therefore, we will review all the justifications they submitted for failing to report.

"We informed them not only

through notices, but also communicated directly with the individuals involved," he said after the "Program Peduli Veteran Madani" here.

Adly said the ministry would obtain a report and presentation from the National Service Training Department committee on the issue and would seek a solution.

"We do have an act that binds them.

"But before invoking it, we need to fully consider the reasons for their failure to register.

"If there is no other option, only then will we invoke the act as a means of enforcing disciplinary measures."

Previously, the media reported that the National Service Train-

ing Department had reminded those selected for NS Training 3.0 Series 2/2025 programme to report to camp no later than May 16.

According to the department, attendance is mandatory and failure to report without a valid reason or certified medical documentation would be considered defiance of orders.

NEW STRAITS TIMES

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'NO PERSONAL DATA SOUGHT FROM TELCOS'

Fahmi says MCMC requested anonymised data and not users' details

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KUALA LUMPUR

COMMUNICATIONS Minister Datuk Fahmi Fadzil said the Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission is not seeking any personal data of users from telecommunications companies.

He said MCMC's recent request to telcos was for anonymised data to support evidence-based policymaking, including for network infrastructure improvements.

According to Bernama, Fahmi said the data did not contain information that allowed anyone to identify individuals.

"The data is being collected for the Statistics Department (DoSM).

"It does not contain any personal information, but rather focuses on trends so that we can gather more detailed information about the quality, level of participation and number of users in a particular subdistrict or district.

"Currently, much of the information on the telecommunications sector is too general," he said at the Lembah Pantai Umno division's *korban* event.

Fahmi said more detailed data would allow the government to better evaluate the needs of the people and reduce the digital gap more effectively.

He said the government had changed its approach from providing general information to coverage of populated areas.

"So we want to ensure that with the data collected under DoSM, more planning and policies can be evidence-based, leading to greater benefits for the people."

Fahmi said the decision was made after MCMC, DoSM and telcos had discussed the matter in a series of workshops since 2023.

"So discussions have been ongoing for quite some time, and there is no issue. In fact, I was informed that telco companies will not provide any information containing personal data.

"Only anonymised data will, as far as possible, be processed by the telco companies themselves," he said.

Previously, MCMC clarified that no personally identifiable information from telcos had been accessed, processed or disclosed.

This followed a report by *South China Morning Post* that the government had requested telcos to submit detailed records of calls and Internet use for the first quarter of 2025.

Meanwhile, telco companies have reaffirmed their commitment to protecting customer data and privacy.

U Mobile Sdn Bhd, in a statement, said that customer data and privacy were its top priority, with policies and processes in place to ensure any shared data was anonymised, aggregated and fully compliant with applicable data protection laws and regulations.

"We are aware of the objectives of the initiative and are committed to working with MCMC in a manner that upholds the highest standards of data governance," it said.

Telekom Malaysia Bhd also clarified that the data submitted to MCMC was fully anonymised and did not contain any personally identifiable information.

Data submission was carried out under strict governance and security protocols, with full compliance to applicable company policies, as well as national laws and regulatory requirements, it said in a statement.

"TM remains fully committed to safeguarding the safety and privacy of customer data with responsibility and integrity."



Datuk Fahmi Fadzil

NEW STRAITS TIMES
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Putrajaya allocates RM790 million for state water projects SUN 9/6

KUCHING: The Federal Government has allocated RM796.4 million in loans to state governments this year to finance various water supply projects.

Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Fadillah Yusof said the projects are part of government efforts to mitigate the impact of the Southwest Monsoon, which is expected to bring dry weather and potential drought.

Fadillah said as of May, 28 projects under the initiative were underway.

Of these, 12 are in Sabah, two in Kedah and Perlis, one in Kelantan, three in Pahang and Terengganu, and five in Sarawak.

"These projects are at various stages of completion. Some are under implementation and seven are expected to be completed this year," he said after attending an Aidiladha *qurban* event at Kampung Tupong Jaya.

He added that the ministry is currently focusing on resolving the issue of non-revenue water.

"Non-revenue water is caused by various factors, including system inefficiencies, pipe leakage and water theft.

"When pipe connections are poorly installed, leakage happens. There are also old pipes that have started leaking. Overall, we estimate that the country loses 40% of its treated water. This incurs high costs.

"Therefore, our current priority is to identify methods to reassess the piping systems and replace damaged pipes." - Bernama

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Rapid KL On-Demand introduces 13 new zones

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KUALA LUMPUR: Rapid Bus Sdn Bhd is introducing 13 new zones under its Rapid KL On-Demand service, along with a new booking app – Rapid On-Demand, starting today.

Group chief operations executive (operations) Amir Hamdan said 11 of the new zones will be accessible via the Rapid On-Demand app.

The zones include MRT Semantan-KTM Segambut, MRT Bukit Dukong-Sungai Sekamat, MRT Sungai Buloh-Bandar Rahman Putra, MRT Serdang Raya Selatan-Taman Bukit Serdang, MRT Metro Prima-Taman Botani Kepong, MRT Kertonmen-Malaysian International Trade and Exhibition Centre, MRT Sungai Jernih-Taman Puncak Saujana, MRT Serdang Raya Utara-Pavilion Bukit Jalil, MRT Taman Equine-Lestari Perdana, MRT Metro Prima-Taman Bukit Maluri and MRT Sri Delima-Sri Segambut.

The remaining two zones, Kota Kemuning-Gamuda Walk Mall and LRT Alam Megah-Alam Megah, are available for booking on the Kummute app.

Amir said the new Rapid On-Demand app aims to simplify the booking process and enhance the overall user experience.

"With this innovation, that emphasises sustainability, responsiveness and user-friendliness, we aim to make public transport the main choice of residents in the Klang Valley," he said in a statement on Saturday.

Rapid KL On-Demand services now cover 47 zones and are available daily from 6am to 11.30pm at a promotional fare of RM1 per trip.

Further details are available on Rapid KL's official social media platforms or at www.myrapid.com.my. – Bernama



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