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Plan for tunnel to solve water woes

SUNGAI SIPUT, Sun. - Works Minister Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu today said Intra Water is proposing to build a 37km tunnel costing RM2 billion from Kelimong in Pahang to rivers in Selangor to overcome the present water crisis.

He said this after visiting the Orang Asli village at Kampung Jong following a tiger attack on villager Jais Long here.

He said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamed was briefed last Thursday by the company.

The tunnel is only to divert water into rivers in Selangor so that it can be channelled into the dams. The tunnel will take a minimum of four to five years to complete.

"We are thinking of going ahead with this plan, while at the same time we are considering bringing water from Sungai Selangor because it will ease the shortage faster," he said.

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