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States told to work closely with NWC

ALOR STAR, Fri. - The water shortage problem will not recur if all State Governments work closely with the National Water Council, Works Minister Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu said today.

Reiterating that State Governments will not lose jurisdiction over water to the NWC, Samy Vellu said:

"I think we have all learnt a valuable lesson from the problems faced following water shortage in some parts of the country.

"All parties should work closely with the NWC as I don't think anyone wants to go through this experience again ...," he said after presenting diplomas and certificates to graduates of Institut Teknologi Silicon in Bandar Darul Aman.

He said the NWC would hold its inaugural meeting in the second or third week of next month.

The meeting will be chaired by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Samy Vellu said the NWC would work on the basis of States with ample water supply selling it to the NWC.

The NWC will in turn sell the water to States facing water shortage.

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