S'gor Pakatan to give stake in water industry to rakyat
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Pakatan Rakyat Selangor has pledged to offer each person in Selangor a stake in its water industry, as a continuation of the incumbent government's water restructuring exercise.

"We will restructure the water industry and start an entity where its equity, or shares, is ultimately held as unit trusts by the 5.2 million people of Selangor," said the coalition's Selangor chief Khalid Ibrahim (right) at a press conference today.

He said this is one of the promises contained in Pakatan Rakyat's state-level manifesto in order to return the rights to water to the people of Selangor.

Water has been a major election issue in the state, with the Pakatan Rakyat-led government and BN blaming each other for stalling efforts to improve the water infrastructure amid frequent water disruptions in parts of the state.

Other pledges include an allocation for RM100 million for affordable housing, RM50 million to empower women, RM50 million for skills training for youths, and a new fund to assist national-type schools.

The manifesto itself will be launched at 9pm, April 18, at Dataran Kemerdekaan Shah Alam, alongside the announcement of Pakatan Rakyat parliamentary and state assembly election candidates for the state.

The event will kick off with Maghrib prayers at about 8pm at the square, before the event itself commences.

Khalid, who is also Selangor caretaker menteri besar, urged the people of Selangor to attend, and those who could not do so, to follow a live broadcast on the state media outlet selangorku.com.

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