

**Syabas may sue S'gor gov't for RM1bil**  
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Syarikat Bekalan Air Selangor Sdn Bhd (Syabas) is contemplating legal action against the Selangor government to claim compensation for delaying water tariff adjustments.

Its chief operating officer, Lee Miang Koi said the expected compensation calculated till the year-end was RM1 billion.

Syabas had sent a claim for the compensation but todate the state government had yet to responsde, he said at the National Intellectual Discourse hosted by the Special Affairs Department (Jasa) at the Tunku Abdul Rahman Memorial last night.

"The water tariff had to be adjusted to enable Syabas to earn revenue to repay loans it had taken to improve the quality of water services. By delaying the adjustments and freezing the Capex programme, the standard of water services will decline.

"This year, payments to treatment plant operators had to be reduced to 45 percent compared to 60 percent last year. Syabas is facing legal actions from Syarikat Pengeluar Air Sungai Selangor Sdn Bhd (Splash) and Abass for not paying them in full," he added.

Meanwhile, Domestic Trade, Cooperative and Consumerism Minister Ismail Sabri Yaakob said foreign registered vehicles were required to buy unsubsidised RON97 petrol.

"The more they buy RON97, more revenue will be generated by the government. The ruling was made in the interest of the people," he added.

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