

MyPower Still Awaiting Government Approval On Fuel Cost Pass-through Mechanism
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KUALA LUMPUR, June 18 (Bernama) -- The special purpose agency for energy reform in Malaysia, MyPower Corp, is still awaiting government approval on the power sector's fuel cost pass-through mechanism.

Chief executive officer Datuk Abdul Razak Majid said there was no doubt that the mechanism would be implemented, but its timing, is yet unknown.

"Because liquefied natural gas is being imported, we need to find a way to make it as affordable as possible," he told reporters on the sidelines of the Perdana Leadership Foundation CEO Forum 2013 here Tuesday.

Abdul Razak was one of the panelist at the forum.

He said the fuel cost pass-through mechanism would work hand-in-hand with the stabilisation fund to ease the burden of electricity operator, Tenaga Nasional Bhd.

"The initial funding of the stabilisation fund by the government is still being studied. But it will depend on the level of gas supplied by Petronas through pipelines, where the price is controlled by the government, and imported gas at market price through the Malacca regassification terminal," he added.

Established in 2011 as a unit under the Ministry of Energy, Green Technology and Water, MyPower has been tasked with detailing key reform initiatives for Malaysia's electricity supply industry, in line with the government's Economic Transformation Programmes.

The one-day CEO forum, being held for the fifth time, is to discuss various issues connected to Malaysia. This includes external challenges, talent development, the future of natural resources and Islamic Finance development.

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