

Sufficient Water Levels At Major Dams Nationwide

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KUALA LUMPUR, March 4 (Bernama) -- Water levels at the main dams nationwide are still sufficient to meet the current demand despite the hot and dry weather now.

In SELANGOR, eight dams in the state were reported to be at a consistent level.

According to the Selangor Water Management Authority (LUAS) in its website, as at 8 am the water level in Tasik Subang dam was at 97.61 per cent while Langat was 95.09 per cent.

Six other dams that recorded above the minimum level was Semenyih dam (95 per cent), Batu (89.07), Klang Gates (87.24), Sungai Selangor (75.56), Sungai Labu Reservoir (74.44) and Sungai Tinggi (69.50).

In MELAKA

He said all the dams in Melaka were still at a safe level with the Jus dam at 55 per cent, Durian Tunggal 70 per cent and Asahan 90 per cent.

If there was no rain and the dry weather continued, water supply was expected to last until early next month (April), Idris said.

In KOTA BAHARU, Kelantan state Drainage and Irrigation Department (JPS) Director, Shahimi Sharif said water levels at the catchment areas in Tasik Bukit Kwong, Rantau Panjang in Pasir Mas was still at the normal level, above 15 metres.

Meanwhile, Air Kelantan Sdn Bhd (AKSB), Director Hanafi Mahmud said AKSB had begun to place a pump directly into the river to extract water and release it to the Kelar plant, Pasir Mas, as the water level was beginning to recede a few days ago.

In SEREMBAN, Negeri Sembilan the water level in Gemencheh dam was now at a critical level, as the water level dropped to 93.85 metres.

Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Mohamad Hasan said Syarikat Air Negeri Sembilan Sdn Bhd (SAINS) had made a short term plan at the end of last year to impose scheduled water rationing to residents around Tampin and Rembau to overcome the water crisis.

According to statistics released by SAINS, the water levels in most dams in the state exceeded the critical level.

Sungai Terip dam recorded 100.98 metres, Kelinchi 201.68 metres, Talang (Ulu Muar) 145.65 metres, Sungai Beiringin 135 metres, Ulu Sepri 135 metres and Teriang 182.15 metres.

In ALOR SETAR, Kedah the water level in the three major dams supplying water for

domestic use in the state were at normal levels, although, the hot and dry weather hit the nation since last December and expected to continue until end of this month.

The Muda Agricultural Development Authority (MADA) in a statement to BERNAMA said the water level in Pedu dam was now 95.25 metres, Muda dam 99.04 metres and Ahning dam was 108.90 metres.

Meanwhile, Kedah state Local Government, Water Supply, Water Resources and Energy, Housing and Human Development Committee chairman, Datuk Badrol Hisham Hashim said the people should use water prudently although the state had sufficient water supply for the next five months.

Badrol Hisham said the state government did not intend to impose water rationing as it had adequate water supply.

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