

Najib Approves Immediate Allocation to Resolve Water Woes in Lipis
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KUANTAN, April 12 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak has approved an immediate allocation for the purchase of three engine-driven pumps to resolve water woes in Lipis.

Pengurusan Air Pahang (PAIP) Corporate Communication Officer Nurul Farhana Abdul Hamid said the application for the allocation was approved on April 6 after it was submitted through the Lipis Member of Parliament Service Centre.

"The prime minister has approved the immediate allocation of RM430,000 for the purchase of the pumps and other equipment needed to overcome water woes in the district," she told Bernama when contacted here today.

Nurul Farhana said, at the moment, 6,149 water bill account holders in Lipis were experiencing water disruption after the two main water treatment plants were experiencing low water pressure following the El-Nino phenomenon.

"Apart from Lipis, two other districts experiencing water supply disruption were Temerloh, in which 480 account holders were affected due to low water pressure at Lubuk Kawah plant, and Pekan, in which 1,500 account holders were affected due to water shortage at Chini water plant," she said.

PAIP had also deployed water tanker lorries and provided static water tankers to those districts in a bid to alleviate the burden of affected account holders.

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