



**NOTE TO EDITOR**  
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## **IWK SUPPORTS LABUAN'S GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT**

Indah Water Konsortium Sdn Bhd (IWK) would like to respond to an article entitled "*Chamber: IWK scaring away Labuan investors*" published on Daily Express on 4th March. IWK is a government owned company that has been appointed by the National Water Services Commission (SPAN) as one of the sewerage development certifying agencies that provide technical feedback, carry out site visits and approve sewerage development plans for new projects.

As a certifying agency on behalf of SPAN, IWK has a duty to ensure all certifying works adhere to the Water Services Industry Act 2006 (WSIA) and other related sewerage industry regulations. The same regulations apply to all states in order to ensure all practices are uniform and fulfill the standards set by industry regulators.

For the past 7 years, IWK has processed 961 sewerage development plans in Labuan. This is a testament to IWK's commitment to plan and manage an efficient sewerage system that not only supports growth and development but also contribute to environmental sustainability.

Under WSIA, any premises located within a distance of 30 meter to the nearest sewerage pipes must be connected to the public sewerage systems. As for the case of the 19 units of light warehouses built in Ranca-ranca, they are well within the stipulated distance thus the developers were advised by IWK to connect to the Labuan Regional Sewerage Treatment Plant (RSTP) in Ranca-ranca to ensure safe and controlled effluent discharge to the environment and protect the critical flora and fauna around the island.

With a design PE of 27,000, the Labuan RSTP is currently in good operating condition and has continually met all the regulations and standards set by the Department of Environment (DOE). All users who are connected to the public sewer lines are in fact helping to preserve the environment. Currently, IWK serves approximately 6000 accounts in Labuan, equivalent to 29,000 population equivalent.

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## **About Indah Water Konsortium**

*Indah Water Konsortium Sdn Bhd (Indah Water), is a sewerage services company owned by Minister of Finance Incorporated, Malaysia. Indah Water is responsible for providing sewerage services, operating and maintaining more than 6,000 sewage treatment plants and 19,031 km networks of sewerage pipelines serving 24.3 million Connected Population Equivalent (PE). Our expertise include Operations and Maintenance, Refurbishment, Planning & Policy Strategy, Engineering & Process Review, Project Planning, Project Management, EIA and HAZOP Studies, Training Services & Module Development, Research & Development, Capacity Building and Community Awareness & Education Program. IWK was awarded the Water Industry Achievement Award (Best Sewage Treatment Plant Award) by Malaysian Water Association in 2016, which further spurred our vision to become Asia's premier sewerage company. **For more information on IWK, please visit our website at [www.iwk.com.my](http://www.iwk.com.my)***