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SUBANG JAYA: At least 8,000 residential and commercial premises, as well as 300 factories, have had their gas supply disrupted following the gas pipeline explosion in Putra Heights here.

Four power stations were also affected.

Selangor Infrastructure and Agriculture executive councillor Datuk Izham Hashim said 200 million cubic feet of natural gas was required daily to supply the four power stations, and 130 million cubic feet was needed for homes, commercial units and factories.

He said the four power stations affected were the Connaught Bridge Power Station, the Pulau Indah Power Station, the Sultan

Salahuddin Abdul Aziz (KEV) Power Station and the Putrajaya Power Station.

"One of these stations can alternate between gas and coal while the others can alternate between gas and oil," he said. adding that other power plants on the grid could cover the lost generation capacity from these plants.

Izham said discussions with Gas Malaysia and Petronas Gas were ongoing on ways to mitigate the gas disruption, such as having tanker lorries deliver gas.

Gas supply disruptions in several parts of the Klang Valley, following the gas pipeline explosion on April 1, are expected to con-tinue until April 20.



Datuk Izham Hashim

The Energy Commission on Monday said gas supply was prioritised for critical services, such as hospitals, electricity generation and pipeline pressure stabilisation.

Izham said telecommunications and electricity services would be restored to lightly damaged houses by Friday.

He said these services could not be restored to severely damaged homes.

These service providers have given assurances that power and telecommunications, including Unifi services, will be restored by Friday," he said.

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