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RESPONSIBLE GROWTH

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Company declares 51 sen dividend, the highest in four years

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ENAGA Nasional Bhd (TNB) has reaffirmed its commitment to long-term value creation through disciplined capital management, operational resilience and community-focused investments that benefit share-

holders and the nation alike. Reflecting the commitment, TNB's board has declared a total dividend of 51 sen per share, the

dividend of 51 sen per share, the highest in four years, amounting to RM2.96 billion.

This is in line with the company's dividend policy of a 60 per cent payout ratio and delivers direct financial benefits to millions of Malaysians, as more than 60 per cent of TNB shares are collectively held by major government-linked held by major government-linked

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Bhd, Kumpulan Wang Persaraan and Tabung Haji.

It also reflects TNB's consistent track record of sustaining dividend payouts at the upper end of its 30 per cent to 60 per cent policy range for the past eight years.

"This dividend payout reflects TNB's commitment to delivering consistent sustainable returns to

INB's commitment to delivering consistent, sustainable returns to our shareholders," said TNB chairman Tan Sri Abdul Razak Abdul Majid at the company's 35th annual general meeting at the Leo Moggie Convention Centre in the TNB

Convention Centre in the TNB headquarters here yesterday.

"These distributions ultimately reach millions of Malaysians, reinforcing national savings, retirement security and broad-based financial well-being," he added.

Last year, TNB contributed RM874.7 million in tax and zakat, strengthenion public finances and

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supporting community well-being

Advancing Inclusive Growth
Through Social Investment
TNB's commitment to nationbuilding goes beyond financial returns. Through targeted programmes in education, community
development and well-being, the
company channels long-term investments into meaningful out-

In 2024, TNB allocated RM140.9 million in contributions and sponsorships across areas, such as ed-ucation, sports and community wellbeing and environment. TNB's initiatives aim to uplift un-derserved communities, bridge op-

portunity gaps and foster social co-

Through scholarships, educa-tional programmes and rural out-reach, the company empowers fu-ture generations and drives long-

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These efforts reflect the compa-ny's commitment to shared pros-perity and nation-building beyond its core utility role.

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As part of its rural outreach efforts, TNB advanced Phase 11 of the Village Street Lighting Programme last year, installing over 14,000 energy-efficient LED lights in underserved areas, enhancing safety, connectivity and economic inclusion.

Driving Operational Excellence with Purpose While TNB's social investments uplift communities, its core strength lies in the rigorous execution of its operational and strate-

TNB president and chief execu-tive officer Datuk Megat Jalaluddin Megat Hassan affirmed the company's focus on sustaining strong returns while investing in the sys-tems and communities that support national development.

"Our strategy is clear — we aim to maintain our robust performance while generating long-term value for the rakyat through responsible returns and meaningful impact.



Tenaga Nasional Bhd chairman Tan Sri Abdul Razak Abdul Majid (front row, centre), president and chief executive officer Datuk Megat Jalaluddin Megat Hassan (left) and company secretary Ali Munawar Salim (right) at the company's 35th annual general meeting in Kuala Lumpur yesterday. PIX FROM TENAGA

"By strengthening the reliability of our services, managing costs effectively and anchoring our efforts in nation-building, we continue to deliver steady value even amid global uncertainties."

This disciplined approach to resilience and responsible leadership.

silience and responsible leadership is reflected in how TNB continues to deliver value, both to its sharehold-ers and to the broader economy.

Staying the Course

with Focus and Purpose
Despite global headwinds and evolving industry dynamics, TNB's fundamentals remain strong.

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It continues to invest in grid reliability, digital capabilities and operational excellence, ensuring that it remains agile and responsive to future challenges.

These translate into fewer power disruptions, faster service recovery and more efficient energy management, ensuring Malaysians enjoy reliable, secure and affordable

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electricity.

TNB's strong performance also benefited from a confluence of favourable macroeconomic conditions, including a strengthening ringgit and 5.1 per cent national gross domestic product growth, coupled with prudent cost manage-

ment and operational efficiency.
The improving macro environment helped spur business activity
and consumer confidence, which in
turn supported demand growth for

electricity across industrial, com-mercial and residential sectors. These conditions collectively re-inforced TNB's resilience in a dy-

inforced TNB's resilience in a dy-namic operating environment. Malaysia's record-high approved investments of RM378.5 billion in 2024, as reported by the Investment, Trade and Industry Ministry, trans-lated into stronger industrial and commercial electricity demand. In this respect, TNB believes it has played a role in sustaining in-vestor confidence and driving long-term economic growth by ensuring

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a stable and reliable energy infras-

tructure.

These achievements reflect not only TNB's operational excellence but are also aligned with national aspirations of delivering reliable in-frastructure, promoting inclusive growth and accelerating the energy transition. It is in line with Madani Economy, the national framework for shared prosperity, sustainability and social well-being.

Delivering Tangible Progress Across Priority Areas In 2024, TNB invested RM11.2 bil-tion in capital expenditure to ac-celerate grid modernisation and drive the national energy transi-

This includes key upgrades that support the integration of renewable energy and strengthen network resilience across Peninsular Malaysia.

The company also maintained a high customer satisfaction index score of 87 per cent, reflecting sustained efforts to enhance service

quality and customer experience.
Capping off a year of operational excellence, TNB's MSCI ESG rating was upgraded to "A", cementing its leadership in sustainability.

The rating reflects significant strides in reducing carbon emissions, improving water efficiency and expanding renewable energy adoption

This ESG upgrade not only affirms TNB's commitment to responsible business practices but also aligns with Malaysia's broader sustain-

ability ambitions.
It also strengthens investor confidence, supports the country's netzero aspirations and demonstrates TNB's environmental leadership.