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MARAN: The Pahang government will look into long-term solutions to address the problem of shallow waters in Sungai Pahang in several areas, including Kampung Pesagi here.

Mentri Besar Datuk Seri Wan Rosdy Wan Ismail said the state government is currently obtaining a comprehensive report from the relevant authorities on the condition of the river before deciding on further action.

He said the report was important to enable the state government to identify the most suitable

measures, including short-, medium- and long-term solutions to address the issue.

"I am requesting a report from the district authorities and will bring it to the exco meeting for us to review, scrutinise and refine before taking further action," he said, Bernama reported.

Wan Rosdy said this when asked by reporters about the issue after attending the inauguration and handover ceremony for a completed pipe replacement project in the Maran district at the Chenor Water Treatment Plant

here yesterday.

He said the state government took the issue seriously as it affected the economy and activities of residents living near Sungai Pahang, adding that any action taken must be based on a comprehensive study to ensure an effective solution.

Meanwhile, Wan Rosdy said the pipe replacement programme to address water supply issues, as well as the development of energy infrastructure projects, continued to be a priority for the Pahang government to strengthen basic

facilities and accelerate the state's development.

"Four districts have recorded a resolution rate exceeding 90%, while Maran is expected to follow suit as part of the state government's efforts to address water supply issues," he said.

He also said the Tenaga Nasional Bhd infrastructure project in Kampung Awah, involving the construction of a 500kV Transmission Main Intake Substation, is expected to benefit Pahang by attracting more investors to the state.

The project involved an allocation of about RM350mil and is expected to be completed by 2030.

Wan Rosdy said the network would connect strategic locations along the East Coast, creating a more robust and resilient energy system capable of supporting future energy needs.

He said infrastructure development and the continued implementation of investment projects were important in boosting the state's economy, creating job opportunities and improving the well-being of the people.