

PRESS STATEMENT

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ENERGY SAVING TIPS DURING THE DRY SEASON

The Malaysian Meteorological Department has issued a statement regarding the dry weather in the Peninsular, particularly in the northern region, which is expected to carry on until the end of March.

In light of that, Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB) advises consumers to take the following steps to optimise electricity usage, especially when using the air conditioner:

- 1. Service the air conditioner to ensure it operates at the optimum level;
- 2. Clean or change the filter to maximise the cooling effect. A dirty filter disrupts the airflow and decreases the air conditioner's efficiency;
- 3. Set the temperature between 24 to 26 degrees Celsius
- 4. Shut all doors, windows and ventilation outlets to ensure cold air does not escape;
- 5. Use a fan to help cool the room when the air conditioner is on. You can set the air conditioner at a higher temperature when the fan is on, thus saving electricity. However, switch off the fan if the room is empty.

If planning to buy a new air conditioner or upgrade your current one, make sure to choose the correct size and capacity (horsepower) according to the size of the room. The Energy Efficiency Label by the Energy Commission (ST) can be used as a guide.

Other measures that can be taken to optimise electricity usage include:

- 1. Minimise the usage of the clothes dryer. Take advantage of the hot weather to dry your clothes naturally;
- 2. Avoid washing clothes using warm or hot water whenever possible. Using the cold cycle (30 degrees Celcius) will save you a tremendous amount of electricity;
- 3. Use LED lights.

If you are planning to buy a new appliance, take into consideration the number of stars on the Energy Efficiency Label. The more stars, the more efficient it is.

To learn more on how to save energy at home, visit <u>https://www.mytnb.com.my</u>.

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