



## PRESS STATEMENT

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#### **ENERGY-SAVING GUIDELINES DURING HOT WEATHER**

Smart Meter users can constantly monitor electricity consumption

**Tenaga Nasional Berhad's (TNB)** advises domestic consumers to practice prudent use of electricity during this hot weather.

Electricity usage may increase due to the hot weather which is expected to last until next month, apart from customers having to comply with the stay-at-home order following the Movement Control Order (MCO).

The Malaysian Meteorological Department (MET) expects the final phase of the Northeast Monsoon to last until mid-March 2021, with low rainfall and relatively hot weather.

### Easy tips for energy savings

Some easy tips for electricity savings include:

- Do not leave air conditioner, fan, and the lights on in a room unattended and switch off electrical appliances such as computer after every use;
- Choose electrical appliance with 4 or 5-star energy efficiency rating from the Energy Commission (EC) to help save electricity usage at home;
- Servicing the air conditioner frequently allows it to operate at optimal level for more energy savings. A dirty filter hinders air circulation and reduce the efficiency of the air conditioner;
- During hot weather, shuttering windows with thick curtains can block out the heat that can overload the air conditioner. The less load on the air conditioner to cool the room, the lower the electricity consumption;
- At night, turn on the fan to help with air circulation in the room. By doing this, the
  room will reach a comfortable temperature faster after a few hours of the air
  conditioner is turned on. Put the air conditioner on a timer to save electricity usage;
- Take advantage of the hot weather to dry clothes rather than using tumble dryer after washing laundry;
- For the use of a water heater, switch on the heater upon usage and switch off right after every use. Avoid leaving the water heater on when not in use.



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#### Benefits for smart meter users

For the one million consumers whose smart meters have been installed at their premises, they have the benefit to manage energy usage efficiently. This is because the smart meter transmits information on total electricity usage for every half an hour, day, and month.

From the usage information that can be monitored via myTNB app and portal, smart meter users can control the use of their electrical appliances for greater savings.

Visit <a href="https://www.mytnb.com.my/energy-efficiency/home-energy-savings-tips/tips-tricks">www.mytnb.com.my/energy-efficiency/home-energy-savings-tips/tips-tricks</a> to learn more tips on prudent electricity savings.

### RM200 from SAVE 2.0

Domestic consumers are also advised to partake in the RM200 e-rebate Sustainability Achieved via Energy Efficiency (SAVE) 2.0 programme if they plan on buying energy-efficient air conditioner or refrigerator (subject to terms and conditions).

The e-rebate is applicable for the purchase of air conditioners or refrigerators with 4 or 5-star energy efficient rating from Energy Commission (EC).

The programme is organised by the Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources in collaboration with the Energy Commission (EC), while the Sustainability Energy Development Authority (SEDA) acts as the implementing agency.

Purchases can be made in store or online via e-commerce platforms such as Lazada and Shopee. Eligibility requirements and further information on the redemption of SAVE 2.0 e-rebate can be found at <a href="http://www.seda.gov.my/saveprogram/">http://www.seda.gov.my/saveprogram/</a>.

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