

# Leak in water tanks causing distress

PPR Intan Baiduri residents fear for their safety and want DBKL's immediate action to solve the problem

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RESIDENTS at PPR Intan Baiduri in Kepong, Kuala Lumpur, are having sleepless nights over leaking water tanks in their building and want the problem addressed immediately.

Residents said two of the 17-storey blocks had faulty water tanks. There are six blocks of flats here.

PPR Intan Baiduri Residents Association chairman Abd Rashid Abd Samad said the problem had been ongoing for almost a year.

"Each time we complain to Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL), their contractors will come by and fix it, but it does not last," he said, adding that the last repairs were done six months ago.

Rashid said residents were worried that the leaking tanks would pose a danger to the building's structure if left unchecked.

PPR Intan Baiduri Block A chief Khairul Anuwar Yusoff said stagnant water from the leaking tanks had pooled in a disused rubbish room on the 17th floor.

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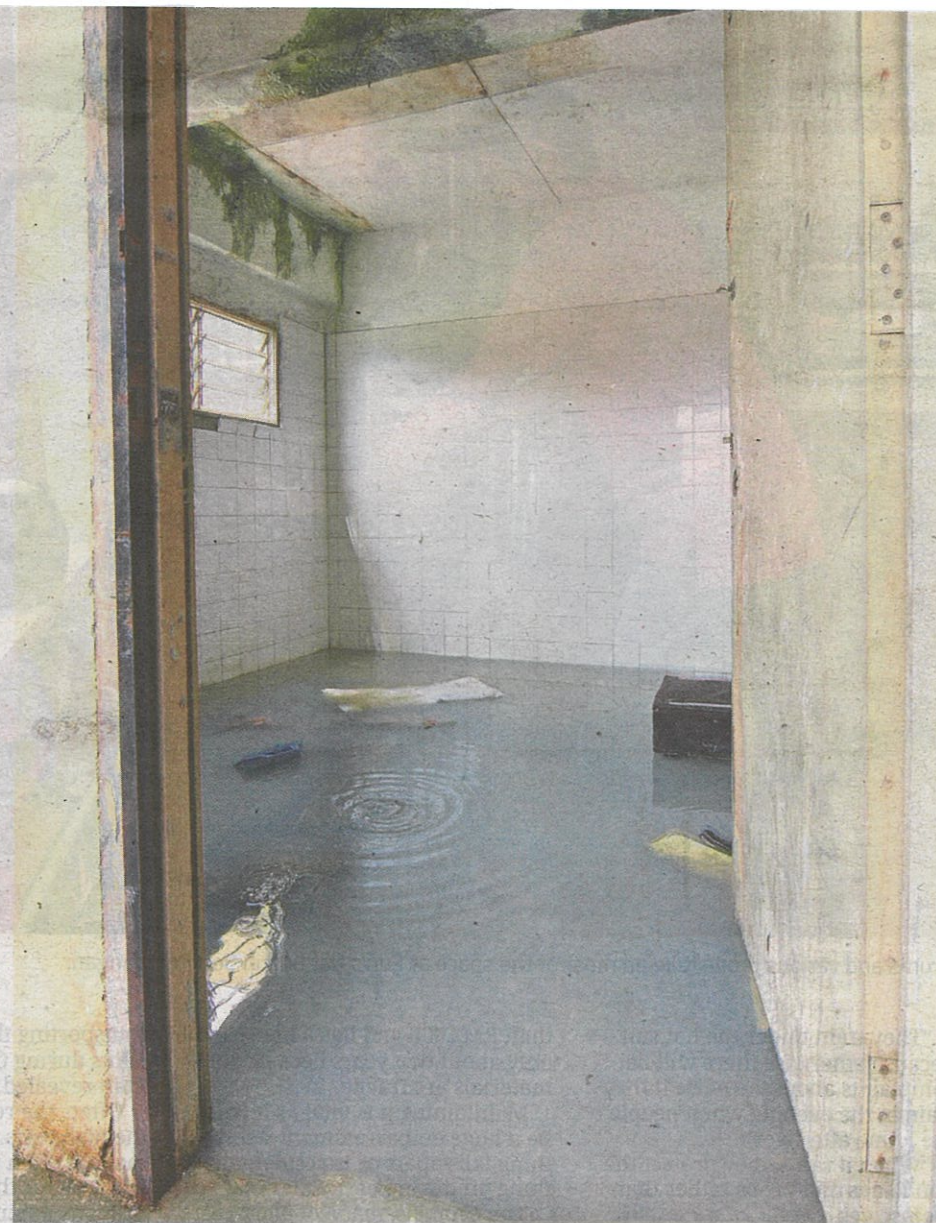
exposed wiring," he said, adding that there were signs of water damage all over the building as well as patches of mould.

"We believe the stagnant water has also contributed to several dengue cases among residents," said Khairul.

DBKL Housing Management and Community Development director Wan Mohammad Ghazali said he had asked his officers to investigate the matter.

"A report will be made and the next course of action will be determined. If the tanks need to be changed, we will do it.

"Also, stern action will be taken if we find that our contractors have been negligent," he said when contacted.



Water leaking from tanks in Block A has pooled in a disused rubbish room on the 17th floor. Residents are worried the floor might give way and damage the units below.