

Banking leak at petrol subsidy portal plugged, assures ministry

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BANGI: Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Minister Saifuddin Nasution Ismail has given his assurance that the Petrol Subsidy Programme (PSP) banking leakage problem has been solved and his ministry has tightened the security of its system for data protection.

He also said that corrective measures had been taken on its official portal for fuel subsidy recipients within hours after the news reports of a leak was reported on Thursday.

"The problem occurred in a short period of time and it was quickly resolved. The system was successfully protected and the data security of recipients was secured," he told reporters after launching the ministry's family sports day here today.

Yesterday, Communications and Multimedia Minister Gobind Singh Deo said he had asked for a report from the ministry and the relevant parties on the bank account numbers of 2.9 million recipients which were exposed on the PSP official portal.

Saifuddin said the report was no longer necessary because he had contacted Gobind and informed him that the problem had been resolved.

Prior to this, the ministry had stated that it had upgraded the system and the data security of the website before reactivating it for public access.

Bantuan Sara Hidup (BSH) recipients from the B40 group who qualify for the PSP can check on their eligibility through the psp.kpdnhep.gov.my portal.

Saifuddin said more than 1.6 million hits were received in the three days since the portal was launched on Oct 15.

"Meanwhile, the portal recorded over 218,000 eligible and updated PSP applications as at Oct 17," he said.

"The ministry's focus now is to ensure that no one is left out, so we urge the people to check the portal and update their information," he said.

