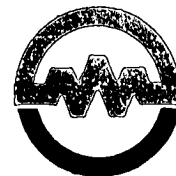


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SUPPLY OF KRANJI-PANDAN WATER

With effect from 1 Oct 78 treated water from the Kranji and Pandan Reservoirs will be introduced to the whole of Jurong Industrial Estate including Pulau Pesek, Pulau Ayer Chawan, Pulau Merlimau, part of Clementi New Town and West Coast Road area. This is the second phase of the supply of Kranji-Pandan water to the western part of the Republic.

The first phase commenced on 30.6.70 when Kranji-Pandan water was introduced into the distribution system to serve the residential areas of Jurong, Lim Chu Kang, housing estates off Upper Ayer Rajah Road and part of Clementi New Town. The second phase had been deferred to allow industries in the supply area more time to install their own treatment plants for further treatment of the water to suit their respective manufacturing requirements. Only some industries, where water of very high purity is required for their manufacturing processes have found it necessary to treat the water further because of the higher saline content compared with the water they are now receiving. As the period of deferment has now exceeded $2\frac{1}{2}$ years, affected industries have had sufficient time to complete the necessary works.

Raw water from the Kranji and Pandan Reservoirs is treated at the Choa Chu Kang Treatment Works. From there treated potable water is pumped into the distribution system. The supply of Kranji-Pandan water will be gradually increased in phases. In the third phase supply will be extended to include Ghim Moh Housing Estate, Ayer Rajah Housing and Industrial Estate, and Pasir Panjang

area while the fourth phase will cover Queenstown, Telok Blangah New Town and Pulau Bukom. The Board will announce the commencement of these phases in the mass media in due course and by 1980, the Kranji-Pandan Scheme is expected to be operating at full scale.

The quality of the treated Kranji-Pandan water complies with the World Health Organisation International Standards for drinking water. As both these reservoirs are located in former tidal estuaries, their waters have higher saline content than that from existing sources but domestic consumers will not find any appreciable difference in this water for domestic purposes. The water is completely safe for drinking.

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