



DBKL personnel pasting an eviction notice on the door of a PPR Intan Baiduri unit.

DBKL gets tough on defaulters

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TENANTS of three units of the Intan Baiduri public housing project (PPR) in Kepong, Kuala Lumpur were slapped with a 14-day eviction notice starting Feb 24 for failing to settle their rental arrears.

Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) Community Development and Urban Wellbeing Department director Anwar Mohd Zain said a red notice would be served if the tenants fail to comply with the eviction notice.

"The red notice is the final notice and tenants must move out within seven days.

"However, if they pay up within the notice period, the eviction notice will be retracted," he said, adding that the errant tenants would need to pay at least 50% of the amount owed to DBKL.

Anwar said the tenants could go to Menara DBKL 3 in Jalan Raja Abdullah to settle the outstanding rental.

The errant tenants racked up thousands of ringgit in arrears, with the highest amount standing at RM17,000.

Tenants of two units were served with the eviction notice by DBKL personnel in person, while another unit whose tenants were not home, had the notice affixed to the door.

PPR and public housing (PA) tenants in the city are required to pay a monthly rental of RM124 to DBKL.

On Feb 24, *StarMetro* reported that PPR Intan Baiduri was the first to be inspected by DBKL and that PPR Bukit Jalil would be the next to undergo the same process.

Anwar said the move was part of DBKL's efforts to recover the amount it is owed in rental from PPR and PA in the city.

"As of Dec 31, 2019, DBKL is owed RM22.862mil in arrears from tenants who are still occupying these units.

"If we include previous tenants who had left, that figure would reach RM50mil," he said.