

## Keep up stream of suggestions

### PUB looking for tips to reduce water use

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PUB, the national water agency, thanks Today readers Colin Ong Tau Shien, David Soh, Tow Joon Eng, Glenn M Jothy and columnist Tan Sai Siong for their suggestions on how Singapore can conserve water.

The writers have good suggestions on how to use water wisely and more importantly, they show that every Singaporean can do their part to ensure we have a sustainable water supply.

PUB recently launched the 10-Litre Challenge to encourage Singaporeans to reduce their water consumption by incorporating simple tips into their daily lives. The aim is to reduce Singapore's per capita domestic water consumption from today's 160 litres to 155 litres a day by 2012. To achieve the target, PUB needs the help of individuals and organisations to use water wisely.

We are pleased to know that the Kampung Chai Chee Ansar RC has replaced the faulty hose clip and hose. Upon the publication of Mr Soh's feedback, the Kampung Chai Chee Ansar RC acted to stem water wastage and are now exploring using alternative sources of water for gardening.

Water used for gardening and washing of common areas can be minimised with good conservation practices. PUB has been working closely with the town councils, building owners and managing agents. Measures adopted include the use of high-pressure water jets for washing common areas including car parks and supervision of cleaning and gardening contractors to ensure they use water wisely.

To Mr Ong's question (March 24) about car wash services at petrol kiosks, stations with automatic car wash machines make use of recycled water. For manual car washes, a high-pressure jet is used, which is more water efficient than using a hose.

We are sure there are many more ways we can conserve water and we welcome the public's feedback and suggestions. As the national water agency, PUB calls on everyone to be a guardian of our precious water resources. This is embodied in PUB's corporate tagline, Water for All: Conserve, Value, Enjoy.

To recognise organisations and individuals who help raise public awareness about water and what it takes to sustain Singapore's water supply, PUB recently introduced the Friends of Water programme. Through this, we hope more

people will play an active role in conserving water, keeping our water catchments and waterbodies clean, and developing a closer relationship with water so we can enjoy our water resources.

The public can report water leakages and give us feedback by calling PUB-One, our 24-hour call centre at 1800 284 6600.

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