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PENANG STATE GOVERNMENT HONOURS PBAPP'S PARADE TEAM FOR WINNING NATIONAL TITLE

- **PBAPP team from Penang bested 95 other contingents in a 2.5-hour parade to clinch 'Champion Contingent of the National-level Worker's Day Gathering 2017' title.**

PENANG, 20/5/2017, Saturday: The Penang State Government has commended the Perbadanan Bekalan Air Pulau Pinang Sdn Bhd (PBAPP) for winning the title of 'Champion Contingent of the National-level Worker's Day Gathering 2017'.

Penang Chief Minister YAB Tuan Lim Guan Eng said PBAPP contingent, comprising 80 personnel, had "done PBAPP and Penang proud on 1/5/2017 by besting other more established contingents set up by other bigger companies."

"If I am not mistaken, PBAPP's achievement marks another first for Penang. I have not heard of any other Penang organisation that has managed to achieve such a feat in recent years," he said at a 'Family Day' event hosted at the Penang Tech Dome to honour the 80 PBAPP personnel and their family members.

"Since you were working hard for PBAPP and Penang on Labour Day 2017, it is only appropriate that we give you back some quality time with your families today," he said. "This is our way of saying thank you and I hope that you will enjoy a great day".

Meanwhile, PBAPP and PBA Holdings Bhd chief executive officer Dato' Ir. Jaseni Maidinsa pointed out that the achievement was outstanding because:

- A Penang contingent had bested contingents from national entities such as KPJ, PERKESO, Tenaga Nasional, Telekom Malaysia, Prasarana Malaysia, Maybank and Petronas. The workforces of some of these competitors were 10 to 50 times the size of PBAPP's workforce of 1,263 employees.

- It is the first national-level parade champion title PBAPP has won in the history of organisations from Penang.

Dato Ir. Jaseni said winning the title was not an easy or simple task.

“As I understand it from our contingent leader, Encik Mohd. Zulkifli bin Abdul Hamid (PBAPP’s Head of Division for Human Resources), our contingent had to compete for 2.5 hours, parading to various pieces of marching music,” he said.

He said PBAPP was awarded the championship title by a panel of judges representing the Malaysian Employers’ Federation, MTUC, CUEPACS and the Ministry of Human Resources.

“As such, I would like to record my sincere appreciation to every one of the 80 members of the winning PBAPP contingent,” he said.

“Today, we celebrate your win with a Family Day for you and your families. However, your achievement will be cherished and remembered for a long time by PBAPP and Penang,” he added.

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