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Indah Water thanks media for keeping it on its toes

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KUALA LUMPUR: National sewerage services provider Indah Water Konsortium Sdn. Bhd. (IWK) has pledged to keep improving, saying the media has played a key role in keeping it on its toes.

IWK chief executive officer Narendran Maniam said besides raising issues, the media also helped provide exposure on its initiatives. "Throughout the 25 years of the company's operations, IWK has

overcome various challenges and etched milestones in its history.

"Despite all the obstacles, IWK employees remain committed in their relentless effort to ensure the efficiency of the country's sewerage system.

"I would like to express my appreciation to the media and all stakeholders, especially the Finance Ministry and the Water, Land and Natural Resources Ministry.

"Without all your support, we would not have been able to do our job well," he said at an event here

on Tuesday to launch a book to mark IWK's 25th anniversary.

Also present were IWK chairman Annuddin Abdul Aziz and SPAN chief executive officer Datuk Ahmad Faizal Abdul Rahman.

Narendran said 2019 was an exciting year for IWK as it also marked its silver jubilee in April. He said IWK received a letter from the Federal and Johor governments authorising it to take over the operations of public sewerage assets in Johor Bharu and Pasir Gudang.

"This achievement would not

have been possible if not for the enormous efforts of our employees in maintaining efficient operations for environmental preservation," he added.

Narendran said IWK would also look at monetising by-products of the wastewater treatment process such as sludge and biogas.

"These by-products can help industries and commercial businesses deliver better results when it comes to environmental care, reduce reliance on raw water resource for potable use and pre-

serve public health.

"Some of these by-products are already put to good use in our sewage treatment plants, as well as by external stakeholders. For us, it has both resulted in cost savings while generating revenue," he said.

"Wastewater sludge can be used to generate biogas, which IWK will roll out soon." He said IWK also wanted to go big on producing water of high purity for industrial use by subjecting wastewater to treatment using reverse osmosis.