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Air Quality At A Safe Level Following Fire At Toxic Waste Warehouse – DOE

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 28 (Bernama) -- The Department of Environment (DOE) has announced that the air quality in three locations following a fire at a warehouse storing toxic waste in Bukit Nenas, near Seremban yesterday, was deemed to be at a safe level.

It said in a statement Saturday that air monitoring was carried out on an on-going basis at the site of the incident, in Bandar Sri Sendayang and Seremban 2, using in-situ measurement.

He said preliminary observations at the site also found that up to 1.30 pm today, the fire was managed to be controlled by the fire department team.

He said a special meeting between the DOE and the Kualiti Alam Sdn Bhd (KASB), a company that manages the disposal of scheduled wastes, had been carried out today to investigate and coordinate follow-up actions to obtain reports on the fire incident regarding the type and quality of the scheduled wastes involved.

According to the statement, three additional air quality monitoring stations would be set up immediately with cooperation from Alam Sekitar Malaysia (Asma).

The fire, which occurred at about 1.30 pm on Tuesday, destroyed three of the four warehouses that stored scheduled wastes.

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