



KEMENTERIAN TENAGA DAN SUMBER ASLI

KERATAN SURAT KHABAR

SURAT KHABAR	:	NST			
TARIKH	:	27/8/2021 (JUMAAT)	MUKA SURAT	:	10
JABATAN	:	JMG			

SOME AS WIDE AS 50m

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Dept detects 47 landslides on Gunung Jerai since Aug 18 mudslide

ALOR STAR: Forty-seven landslides were detected at several locations on the slopes and peak of Gunung Jerai after the mudslide from the mountain last week roared through Yan in Kedah.

Kedah, Perlis and Penang Department of Minerals and Geoscience (JMG) director Abdullah Sulaiman said landslides of various magnitudes were detected by mapping aerial drones and monitoring teams.

"Up to yesterday (Wednesday), our task force has identified 47 landslides on Gunung Jerai with 25 occurring at Titi Hayun, 10 at Batu Hampar, 10 on the route to the mountain peak and two were discovered in Tanjung Jaga and Lembah Bujang.

"So if we could imagine, a large portion of the incidents or landslide locations were found in Titi Hayun and Batu Hampar in Yan district. Both major and minor landslips had occurred," he said when met by reporters here yesterday.

Abdullah said most of the landslides were major, measuring between 10 and 50 metres wide. The minor landslips measured between two and five metres.

He said these findings were im-



An aerial view of landslides on Gunung Jerai, Kedah. PIC COURTESY OF KEDAH, PERLIS AND PENANG DEPARTMENT OF MINERALS AND GEOSCIENCE

portant for the team to understand the mountain and to make conclusions on the geological disaster that struck Yan on Aug 18.

"We will come out with maps, locations and so on.

"And what we see as most important is called disaster risk reduction or DRR as we do not know when the disaster would occur again, but we know the risks could be reduced," he said. Six people died and about 800

houses were damaged in Yan district when the mudslides and flashfloods gushed from the mountain.

Another 200 houses in Merbok in Kuala Muda district were also hit. **Bernamea**

