



KERATAN AKHBAR

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Heavy rainfall alert for four states

KUALA LUMPUR: An orange category weather warning alert on heavy rainfall has been issued by the Malaysian Meteorological Department for several districts in Johor, Pahang and Terengganu until today and Sabah until tomorrow.

Heavy rainfall is expected over Segamat, Kuala, Mersing, Kulai and Kota Tinggi in Johor, Jerantut, Maran, Kuantan, Bera and Rompin in Pahang, and Dungun and Kemaman in Terengganu.

Heavy rainfall was forecast to hit Kenningau, Tambunan, Ranau, Kota Belud, Sandakan and Kudat in Sabah until tomorrow.

The northeast monsoon rains have caused floods in nine out of 10 districts in Johor as well as two districts in Pahang.

In Pahang, 1,055 people from 271 families in Rompin and 19 flood victims in Temerloh were evacuated as at noon yesterday.

Meanwhile, strong winds of between 40kph and 50kph with waves reaching 3.5m high are also forecast over the coastal areas of Kelantan, Terengganu, Pahang and East Johor.

This can cause seawater to overflow into estuaries and coastal areas, the statement said.

In Kudat, Sabah, a relief centre was opened yesterday after the water level rose.

According to the Fire and Rescue Department, 124 people from Kampung Korina, Kampung Naradang, Kampung Popot and Kampung Andap were evacuated yesterday.

The Civil Defence Force said the water level of Sungai Rempai was at a dangerous level.

Last week, floods caused over 400 villagers in the Membakut and Beaufort districts to be relocated to a relief centre for four nights.



Force of nature: Civil Defence Force deputy director (operations) Mejar Syed Azam Shah Syed Baharom recording the force of the waves breaking at the Seberang Takir beach in Kuala Nerus, Terengganu. — Bernama