

More flood victims evacuated, roads closed

JOHOR BARU: The number of flood evacuees continues to rise as 1,374 victims from 376 families are taking shelter at temporary relief centres in the state.

Up to noon yesterday, 13 flood relief centres were activated in Segamat, Mersing and Kota Tinggi, all of which were badly hit by floods.

In Segamat, 103 people from 22 families have been evacuated to four relief centres in the past two days.

In Mersing, the number of flood victims has risen to 1,239 victims from 347 families.

Eight flood relief centres had been activated to provide shelter and food aid to evacuees.

In Kota Tinggi, only 32 victims from seven families were evacuated to the Kg Perepat community centre since Saturday afternoon.

Intermittent rain in several low-lying areas caused these places to be flooded and several roads to be closed to vehicles.

SK Punan was forced to close yesterday as roads leading to the school were inaccessible, while Jalan Telok Arong in Mersing, was also inaccessible to vehicles.

Motorists heading towards Mersing and Air Papan are advised to use the Tanjung Resang road.