



SK Kuala Bok is closed as heavy rain causes the water level to rise in Baram, Miri. PIC COURTESY OF THE FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT

FLOODS

Five primary schools closed in Sarawak

KUCHING: The ongoing wet spell, which has triggered floods in some parts of the state, forced the Sarawak Education Department to close five primary schools yesterday.

More than 300 pupils and 63 teachers were affected by the temporary closure of the schools, which were in 0.3m to 1m of water.

The state Natural Disaster Management Committee secretariat, in a statement, said two of the schools were located in Baram near Miri.

The schools are SK Sungai Bong and SK Kuala Bok.

“Other schools closed due to

the worsening flood situation are SK Ng Bon in Sibu, SK Kuala Kenyana in Mukah and SK Rumah Ranggong in Subis,” the statement said.

The floods also affected eight other schools in Subis, Miri, Baram and Selangau.

The schools are SK Sungai Manong, SK Sungai Kelabit, SK Sungai Seputi, SK Pengarah Enteri, SK Sungai Peking, SK Sungai Anak, SK Sungai Buloh and SK Iban Union.

“The schools, however, are operating as usual since the flood situation at the areas is deemed safe for pupils and teachers,” the statement added.