

# No change for better

**THE situation in flood-affected areas in Johor showed no signs of improving while the number of flood victims in Pahang continued to rise.**

A total of 101,680 flood victims from 22,753 families had been evacuated to 338 relief centres in Johor, as of late yesterday.

Kota Tinggi is still under one metre of water after Sungai Johor burst its banks two days ago, cutting off the area by road from Johor Baru and Mersing.

Roads impassable are Jalan Seelong-Ulu Tiram, Km3 Jalan Ulu Choh-Gelang Patah, Km32 Jalan Bandar Tenggara, Km24 Jalan Kota Tinggi-Kulai, Km26 Jalan Kota Tinggi-Kulai (near Sungai Telor), Km40 Jalan Kota Tinggi-Johor Baru at Kampung Batu 23, Jalan Tun Sri Lanang at Bandar Tenggara, Km24 Jalan Mawai at Jalan Tun Habab and Km68.8 Jalan Kota Tinggi.

A spokesman from the Johor police flood

operations room said Batu Pahat was the worst affected with 34,462 victims from 7,685 families evacuated to 118 relief centres.

In Kluang, the number of evacuees was 16,131, southern Johor Baru (11,183), northern Johor Baru (6,085), Kota Tinggi (12,589), Segamat (4,689), Mersing (6,914), Muar (5,604) and Pontian (4,023).

In Pahang, the number of evacuees rose to 2,447, comprising 450 families from 12 villages, all from Rompin.

In Kelantan, the water levels of its main rivers returned to normal following fine weather.

A spokesman from the Kelantan Drainage and Irrigation Department said the water level of Sungai Golok in Rantau Panjang dropped to 6.54m compared with 6.88m on Saturday, below the alert level of seven metres. — Bernama



## BRAVING THE ODDS

(Above) The water levels at Arkib Mara, Kota Tinggi, has reached the pedestrian bridge

(Right) Rita Paikuni and her husband Zulham Jonit travel by boat from their house to their *bersanding* ceremony at Sekolah Kebangsaan Parit Bingan, Batu Pahat

