



Sheikh Mohd Izham Sheikh Hadra (right) and his brother, **Sheikh Haikal**, riding a sampan after their house in **Kampung Sungai in Kuantan** was flooded yesterday. **Bernama** pic

Flood victims evacuated

TO SAFETY: Over 300 people moved to four relief centres in Kuantan and Rompin

KUANTAN: More than 300 people were evacuated here and in Rompin when their homes were hit by floods yesterday.

A spokesman of the Pahang police operations room said the evacuees were from Kampung Sungai Isap Damai, Sungai Isap Perdana, Kampung Tiram, Kampung Segantang Lada, Kampung Razali, Tanah Putih and Cenderawasih here.

The victims were moved to four relief centres in stages from midnight after their villages were flooded to a depth of 0.5 to 1.5 metres following heavy rain on Saturday.

However, nearly half of the victims here were allowed to return to their homes at noon as the floodwaters in the villages had receded. These evacuees were from the relief centres at Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Bukit Rangin

and Sekolah Kebangsaan Galing.

Some 64 evacuees were still at two relief centres, 19 of them at the Indera Mahkota community hall and the remaining at the Cenderawasih kindergarten, the spokesman said.

In Rompin, a spokesman said 239 victims were evacuated from their homes following prolonged heavy rain since Saturday.

The victims were from Kampung Kurnia (184), Kampung Perepat (29), Kampung Janglau (19) and Kampung Kerpai (7).

The spokesman advised the people in the district, especially in low-lying, flood-prone areas to be prepared to evacuate as heavy rain continued unabated.

He also said that water levels of major rivers in the state were at the alert point. **Bernama**