

Draft measures to deal with flash floods, says Tan

PETALING JAYA: Both short- and long-term measures are required to address flash flood problems in the Klang Valley, said Federal Territory MCA chairman Datuk Seri Tan Chai Ho.

He said the Drainage and Irrigation Department should draft such plans immediately and implement them simultaneously, with priority placed on the short-term plan.

"This is because we are currently experiencing heavy rains and there is no guarantee that floods will not happen again," he said in a statement yesterday.

Tan, who is also MCA treasurer-general, said experts should examine the source of the floods.

"The police should be notified of high-risk areas so they can take appropriate measures, especially during peak hours, to facilitate and direct traffic away," he said, adding that this would help motorists avoid being stuck in congestion.

Tan said the flood problems should be addressed as soon as possible because "the people will blame the Government and the authorities whenever such natural disasters occur".



Wet, wet, wet:

Workers cleaning the basement car park at Sungai Wang Plaza in Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur yesterday. The car park was inundated with floodwaters on Wednesday.