

Overall flood situation unchanged

KUALA LUMPUR: The overall situation in the four flood-hit states in the country remains unchanged, with Sarawak still having the highest number of evacuees.

A total of 7,592 flood evacuees, involving 1,632 families, were moved to 20 relief centres in the state so far.

In **KUCHING**, the flood operations centre's spokesman said 20 low-lying areas in four districts in Sarawak were badly affected by the floods, which occurred following heavy rains and high tide over the past three days.

"The most affected areas are Kampung Simpok in Kuching, involving 1,610 residents, Sadong Jaya in Samarahan (1,302), Ulu Balingian in Sibu (424) and Pantu in Sri Aman (74)," he said.

The spokesman said he expected the number of flood evacuees to rise.

In **ROMPIN**, the number of evacuees at relief centres yesterday dropped to 567 people as compared to 619 in the morning.



Ruptured link: Passers-by looking at a damaged road after it was hit by waves at Teluk Lipat beach in Dungun, Terengganu.

A spokesman at the Rompin police headquarters' flood operations room said the relief centre in Dewan Teluk Gading was closed at 3.30pm after the last 52 evacuees returned home.

He said 430 evacuees were still at SK Pianggu while 137 remained at SK Sarang Tiong.

"They have to stay at the relief centres

because the high tide phenomenon still persists in their villages," he said.

Among the villages badly affected were Kampung Sarang Tiong, Kampung Pianggu, Kampung Setajam and Kampung Garung.

In **JOHOR**, a total of 1,177 evacuees were still at relief centres in three districts, slightly down from 1,214 in the morning.

According to the National Security Council's website, the evacuees were placed at 17 relief centres, eight of which were in Segamat, six in Mersing and three in Batu Pahat.

The road to Kampung Orang Asli Peta in the Endau Rompin National Park, which was cut off due to flooding earlier, is now accessible. — Bernama