

1,391 forced out of homes



Higher ground: Kampung Parit Lapis Laman residents standing outside their homes after their houses are partially submerged by floodwaters in Johor Baru.

Johor, S'gor and Perak flood victims relocated to temporary relief centres

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JOHOR BARU: A total of 629 people have been relocated to temporary relief centres in Batu Pahat following floods due to heavy rain over the past three days.

As at 8pm yesterday, Parit Pulai had the highest number of victims, with 148 people from 54 families evacuated to SK Agama Parit Pulai.

Some 111 people from 32 families in Parit Gantong are staying in SK Tiga Serangkai while 103 victims from 28 families in Parit Sentang Batu are at a community hall in the village.

The affected areas include Parit Lapis, Parit Yusuf, Linau Kechil, Parit Bentung, Parit Sulong and Sri Gading.

State Welfare Department director Khadijah Abdullah said it had not received any reports of schools being closed due to the floods. "We expect the Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia to go ahead as planned," she said, adding the department would help transport students to their schools.

In **DENGKIL**, Selangor, Bernama reported that 545 people had been moved to two evac-

uation centres.

Selangor Fire and Rescue Department assistant director (operations) Mohd Sani Harul said 40 personnel from three fire stations based at KLIA, Cyberjaya and Putrajaya were rushed to 10 locations that were badly affected.

"Among the areas affected are Taman Baiduri, Taman Amentis, Kampung Cemperai, Taman Kristal, Kampung Kerinsing, Taman Delima, Taman Sri Tanjung and Kampung Revolusi Hijau," he said.

Mohd Sani added that 348 flood victims had been placed at the Dengkil community hall and 197 at the Kampung Semarang hall.

In **TELUK INTAN**, Perak, 217 people were evacuated from their homes in Batu 8 Changkat Jong, Kampung Selabak Luar and Kunci Air 4.

State National Security Council administrative assistant Mohd Fadzli Mohd Hayat said they were evacuated at 8pm on Saturday after their houses were flooded following heavy rain.

He said the flash flood in Changkat Jong was caused by the collapse of a retaining wall.

"We have evacuated 118 victims from the area," he said, adding that 70 people in Kampung Selabak Luar and 29 in Kunci Air 4 had also been evacuated.