

1,035 Johor flood victims return home

JOHOR BARU: With yesterday's weather improving, most of the flood victims who sought shelter at relief centres in the Johor Baru and Kota Tinggi districts were allowed to return home.

As of 6pm yesterday, 1,035 of the 1,258 flood victims at centres in the two districts had returned to their homes.

The relief centres in Skudai here were closed at 9.30am yesterday. Two relief centres were still open in Kota Tinggi.

State National Security Council Assistant Secretary Major Ronzi Mohd Khairan said there were 223 victims from 50 families seeking shelter at the relief centres, namely the Teluk Ramunia, Kampung Baru Sungai Mas, Kampung Gambut in Sedili and Kampung Perpat centres.

Ronzi said there was a downpour in the evening.

"Our rescue and relief mission officers are all on standby."

Victims are urged to follow instructions when asked to evacuate and not to worry about their belongings as frequent monitoring would be conducted by the police.

For further information go to <http://portalbanjir.mkn.gov.my/> or call its 24-hour hotline at 07-2225209.



Mohd Yazid Khidzir, 29, clearing his house in Kampung Laut, Skudai, of floodwaters yesterday after heavy rain. Pic by Zulkarnain Ahmad Tajuddin