



SUBMERGED ROAD: Motorists trying to manoeuvre through the floodwater along Jalan Pantai Baru yesterday.

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# Flash floods wreak havoc

**KUALA LUMPUR:** Several roads in and around the city were hit by flash floods during an evening storm yesterday that caused massive jams and, in some instances, caused traffic to come to a standstill.

At the height of the flooding, many low-lying areas were in at least one metre of water.

Among areas affected by the flash floods were Jalan Travers, Jalan Pantai Baru and Jalan Bukit Pantai in the Bangsar area, Jalan Tun Sambanthan in

Brickfields and the Federal Highway leading to the Damansara-Puchong highway.

Other affected areas were Jalan Tun Razak, Taman Chamberlain and Mile 2.5th Jalan Cheras.

In the Ulu Langat area, waters rose to about knee-high in several houses at Batu 17 in Kampung Seberang. The waters, however, receded within minutes.

A City Hall operations centre spokesman said the road from Salak South to the Jalan

Mas/Jalan Cheras junction was flooded because a river nearby had overflowed its banks.

There were no casualties or major accidents during the downpour, he said, adding that some roads were hit by flash floods due to clogged drains.

The downpour also caused traffic congestion that lasted from 4.30pm to 6pm in most parts of the city.

The spokesman said traffic eased after 6pm when the water levels receded.