

Kelantan to decide after seeing plans

KOTA BARU: Kelantan will wait for details on the Federal Government's plan to build a mega-tunnel to alleviate floods in the state before making any decision on the matter.

Deputy Menteri Besar Datuk Mohd Amar Nik Abdullah said the decision on whether the state would accept the project would be made after studying the proposal.

"I am surprised by the announcement. This is the first that I have been informed of the plan to build a Smart (Stormwater Management and Road Tunnel) Tunnel in Kelantan. If it (the plan) is real, we will have to study it first. This includes the site for its construction and whether it is suitable.

"We also have to study whether there will be environmental impact from the construction."

Amar said he was only aware of the Federal Government's existing flood-mitigation project in the state, being undertaken by the Drainage and Irrigation Department.