

Work begins on bridges hit by mudfloods

KOTA KINABALU: The Sabah government has set about repairing the two suspension bridges and a road damaged in recent mudfloods at Kg Melangkap near Kota Belud, said Chief Minister Datuk Seri Musa Aman.

"We have discussed with the district officer and the Public Works

Department to get things moving immediately. We need to move fast as this affects the people of Sabah.

"Their welfare must be taken care of," he said after launching the National Day Month yesterday.

The repairs, he added, were being carried out using state funds.

The state government, he said,

needed to apply for an allocation from the Federal Government to repair the damaged road connecting several villages around Kampung Melangkap to the town and other districts in the state.

"Work to repair the road will start as soon as possible," he said.

The area was hit by mudfloods on

Friday when continuous rainfall brought down tonnes of uprooted trees and boulders that had been loosened by the June 5 earthquake on Mount Kinabalu.

Mudfloods are expected to recur as large portions of earth had loosened after the quake and the more than 100 aftershocks.