

Four Perak districts inundated

IPOH: Four Perak districts are inundated with floodwaters forcing 242 people to seek shelter at four relief centres.

A state flood operations centre spokesman said the affected districts were Hilir Perak, Parit, Manjung and Kerian.

"The victims were from 58 families," he said here yesterday.

"In Hilir Perak, 106 victims from 25 families were evacuated to SK Changkat Jong while 55 victims from 11 families are staying at Surau

Nurul Jannah Kampung Parit 6," he said, adding that the affected areas in Hilir Perak are Kampung Baru Batu 8, Kampung Mesra, Lorong Kedah Batu 9 and Kampung Batu 8.

As for the 81 victims from Manjung and Kerian, they are seeking shelter at Sekolah Agama Rakyat Kampung Padang Serai, Manjung and SK Changkat Lobak Kerian.

The spokesman said water levels at Manjung and Kerian stood at 0.2m and 0.3m, respectively.

In **Teluk Intan**, two pregnant housewives were forced to evacuate after their houses were inundated.

Siti Nor Jumain, 23, and Pusiya Osman, 31, were evacuated to SK Changkat Jong by the Civil Defence Department.

Siti is due anytime while Pusiya is eight months pregnant.

Meanwhile, a Civil Defence Department spokesman said the women would be rushed to Teluk Intan Hospital if they go into labour.

KUALA SELANGOR: Level 1 disaster has been declared in four areas here yesterday.

The four areas are Parit Mahang, Kampung Sentosa, Bukit Kerayong and Simpang Tiga Jeram.

A Level 1 disaster is localised in a district, is under control and has no potential of spreading.

Kuala Selangor district officer Shamsul Shahril Badlizan Mohd Noor said the declaration was made as the flash floods here was the worst in five years.

"Following the declaration, the National Security Council's directive number 20 is now in force and a flood disaster operations centre has been opened in Parit Mahang.

"Police will oversee the manage-

ment of the operations. We will ensure that every operation goes smoothly. As of now, 301 flood victims have been moved to relocation centres in SK Parit Mahang and Bukit Kerayong," he said.

Shamsul said the state government and the Social Welfare Department had allocated funds to aid the flood victims, and that food and basic necessities were provided to families seeking refuge at shelters.

"Once the floodwaters have receded, the flood victims will be allowed to return home," he said.

Yesterday, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Shahidan Kassim visited flood victims at the relocation centres, and donated food and basic necessities.