

# More tidal floods over next three months

## Selangor to take precautionary measures to face spring tide

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AS BIG tidal waves are expected again in the middle of October, November and December, Selangor's relevant government agencies have been instructed to be prepared and have in place precautionary measures.

Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Azmin Ali said according to the weather forecast, the same waves that brought floods earlier this week to parts of Klang and other coastal areas was expected to hit again.

"All agencies and the Drainage and Irrigation Department (DID) have to repair banks that are weak to prevent problems of banks and bunds giving way in future," said Azmin when visiting flood victims at the Kampung Tok Muda community hall in Kapar on Wednesday.

State infrastructure committee chairman Zaidy Abdul Talib said the flooding was due to high tide compounded with heavy rain.

He advised people living near flood-prone areas to be cautious of a possible repeat of the recent flooding as well as to keep up with the latest updates and adhere to instructions of the relevant authorities.

"The state government has initiated the necessary measures by repairing all the bunds damaged by the big waves," Zaidy said in a statement.

He added the DID had already

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repaired the bunds that were damaged at Sungai Air Tawar in Sabak Bernam.

"The damaged bunds in Kampung Sungai Lang and Kampung Sungai Apong are being repaired now," he said.

Zaidy added that the upgrading project to widen and increase the height of the Sungai Lang bund was expected to begin next month with an estimated overall cost of RM3.5mil which included research and designing.

Several locations along Selangor's coastline were thrown into chaos after high tides measuring up to 5.6m slammed the shoreline on Monday and Tuesday. The last time such an incident happened was almost two decades ago.