

# KERATAN AKHBAR

## NAMA AKHBAR: THE STAR (NATION)

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### Number of evacuees climbs to 17,480

**KUALA LUMPUR:** The number of flood evacuees in Kelantan and Terengganu has increased to 17,487 persons from more than 5,000 families at noon yesterday.

In Kelantan, the number increased to 12,468 people as of 1pm, up from 10,078 people on Monday evening.

The InfoBencanaJIM app showed that the Pasir Mas district recorded the highest number of evacuees, with 8,408 people (3,232 families) still sheltering at 29 relief centres.

This was followed by Kuala Krai with 958 evacuees (231 families) at 12 centres, Pasir Puteh with 826 evacuees (219 families) at eight centres, Kota Baru with 734 evacuees (204 families) at five centres, Tanah Merah with 481 evacuees (131 families) at nine centres, Tumpat with 909 evacuees (281 families) at three centres and Machang with 152 evacuees (43 fami-

lies) at four centres.

The [ebanjir.kelantan.gov.my](http://ebanjir.kelantan.gov.my) website showed that the water level of Sungai Golok in Rantau Panjang had dropped to 10.58m from 10.61m on Monday night, though this is still above the danger level of 9m.

Three rivers which had exceeded the danger level were Sungai Golok in Jenob at 22.74m (22.5m), Sungai Kelantan at Jambatan Guillemard (Tanah Merah) at 15.5m (14m) and Sungai Kelantan in Kuala Krai at 23.38m (22.5m).

The floods have claimed two lives so far.

In Terengganu, the number of evacuees increased slightly to 4,919 people (1,421 families) yesterday morning from 4,908 (1,425 families) last night. The evacuees are at 120 centres in eight districts.

State Civil Defence Force director

Lt Col Che Adam A. Rahman said Kuala Terengganu was the latest district to be hit by floods on Monday night, with 22 evacuees (four families) at a centre near Manir.

"Besut remains the worst affected area with the number of centres unchanged at 51, where 1,879 evacuees from 503 families are being placed.

"Setiu recorded a drop to 1,406 evacuees at 26 centres from 1,435 evacuees last night. The situation in Hulu Terengganu is unchanged, with 889 evacuees at 16 centres," he said.

In Dungun, there was a slight increase with 410 evacuees (106 families) at 15 centres compared to 403 victims (108 families) Monday night.

The information on major river levels is available at Irrigation and Drainage Department's website <http://publicinfobanjir.water.gov.my/>