

## Agong expresses sympathy for flood evacuees, earthquake victims

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KUANTAN: The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Al-Sultan Abdullah Ri'ayatuddin Al-Mustafa Billah Shah today expressed his sympathy to flood victims in several states across the country including Pahang.

The Ruler said he hoped that the victims who were evacuated to flood relief centres can return to their respective homes soon.

"I hope the weather will continue to improve and everyone who was forced to move to relief centres due to the floods can return home," he said after visiting flood victims at the Sekolah Agama Rakyat Ubudiah relief centre at Taman Guru here today.

Also present was Pahang state secretary Datuk Seri Dr Sallehuddin Ishak.

As of 2pm today, the number of flood victims in Kuantan - the only district hit by floods in Pahang - has dropped to 1,832 people from 548 families compared to 5,053 victims yesterday.

Meanwhile, the King expressed his sadness to victims of the massive earthquake which hit southern Turkey and Syria on Feb 6.

He called upon Malaysians to pray together for the safety of the people in both the countries.

"It is unfortunate for the people there and I hope we will all pray together...perform 'solat hajat' (prayer of need) so God can give some mercy to those who have lost their lives.

"Here, we face the floods year after year but we have to be patient and we are saddened by the incident in Turkey and Syria," he said.

A 7.8 magnitude earthquake hit the southeast region of Turkey and Syria early Monday morning and hit the second time in the middle of the day with a 7.7 magnitude quake, leaving some 8,000 people dead.