

Drop in number of flood victims in Pahang, only 300 at relief centres

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KUANTAN: Despite Jerantut becoming the latest district in the state to be hit by floods, the number of evacuees in Pahang has dropped to 339.

As of 7pm, the number of flood victims at five flood relief centres in Kuantan dropped to 327 people from 98 families compared with 5,053 people yesterday while Jerantut registered 12 victims.

A state Civil Defence Force spokesman said 19 flood relief centres across Kuantan were closed in stages today after flood waters in most areas completely receded.

"The remaining victims at the five centres in Kuantan will be returning home tomorrow if the clear skies and sunny weather continues. In some areas, the victims returned to clean their homes today but have yet to vacate the relief centre.

"Twelve people from five families at Kampung Sungai Siam in Jerantut were moved to the relief centre at SMK Pusat Penyelidikan Pertanian Tun Razak around noon today as precautions after the water level at Sungai Tekam and Sungai Siam near the settlement recorded a rising trend," he said in a statement.

He said villages located on the banks of the Sungai Tekam and Sungai Siam have been put on the alert after heavy rains which lashed the area on Monday and yesterday, causing the river water level to rise.

Kuantan was hit by floods on Feb 6 following continuous heavy rain over 24 hours that saw certain parts of Pekan inundated on the same evening. At the height of the floods, more than 5,000 people in both districts were evacuated.