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PM to meet Sarawak flood victims

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CARING LEADER: Najib will be on a two-day working visit to the state starting today

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FOUR days ago, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak took to his Facebook to express his sadness over those affected by the floods in Sarawak.

Najib is planning to see the aftermath of the floods himself and meet the people in Kampung Rantau Panjang near here.

His visit to the village tomorrow is one of the programmes for his two-day tour in the state starting today.

His deputy, Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi, will be in Sarawak for a one-day visit on Sunday.

The prime minister and his wife, Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor, are expected to arrive at the Sibu Airport before attending the national-level Chinese New Year celebration at Dataran Sibu tonight. Scheduled to be present at the event are Chief Minister Tan Sri Adenan Satem and his wife, Puan Sri Jamilah Anu.

Najib and Rosmah will join Adenan, who will be celebrating his second-year anniversary as the Sarawak chief minister tomorrow, at the "Sejiwa, Senada" programme in Saratok, near Sibu, the following day.

On the same day, Najib and Rosmah are expected to meet the people at the Jawang longhouse in Jalau before flying to Kuching to visit the flood-affected village.

Zahid, who is also home minister, will conduct a working visit to the Lawas district police headquarters upon his arrival on Sunday, before launching the National-level Anti-Drugs Agency Day celebration at the Lawas Indoor Stadium.

He will launch the opening ceremony of SK Sundar and the "Rimbunan Kasih" affordable housing project in Kampung Awat-Awat.

Meanwhile, GCH Retail (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd (Giant) contributed more than RM100,000 in food items and basic necessities to 535 flood-stricken families.