

**AID FOR PEOPLE, PROJECT COSTS**

# PM: NO BIAS IN DISASTER AID RELIEF

**Funds increased for Kelantan, Kedah, Terengganu and Perlis, says Anwar**

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**T**HE federal government is fair in channelling allocations to states affected by disasters, including the four opposition-led states, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said.

The government, he said, had also increased allocations to Kelantan, Kedah, Terengganu, and Perlis to ensure that issues were addressed effectively.

Although some were dissatisfied that the funds were not channelled directly to elected representatives, political party leaders, or state administrations, he said, the government provided assistance in the form of aid to the people and directly funded project costs.

"To provide further clarification, our allocation to affected states, including opposition-led states, is sometimes portrayed as if Kelantan and Terengganu receive no allocations, insufficient funds, or has issues with the special grants from the government.

"For example, Kedah's allocation from the federal government (has been) increased from RM523.86 million in 2024 to RM532.07 million in 2025.

"That is why I think presenting these figures serves as evidence to counter the narrative, which I



Road Transport Department senior enforcement director Muhammad Kifli Ma Hassan (second from left) and special senior officer to the prime minister's political secretary Siti Fatma Omar (centre) with the flood kits that will be distributed to flood victims as part of the Malaysia Madani Ihsan Squad Flood Aid programme in Kota Baru yesterday. With them is RTD Kelantan director Mohd Misuari Abdullah (second from right), BERNAMA PIC

believe is politically motivated due to electoral concerns."

Anwar added that the priority of the unity government was always to look after the well-being of the people affected by floods, poverty, and rice farmers.

"That is what we focus on. That's why, if we look at the overall allocations — whether per capita grants, annual allocations, joint lists, local authorities, public libraries, museums, tourism, or special annual grants — all of them have increased," he said.

Anwar said Kelantan's allocation had also been increased from RM380.26 million this year

to RM429.05 million next year. For Terengganu, he said the amount had also risen from RM431.78 million this year to RM450.12 million next year.

"This includes Perlis, where the allocation increased from RM210.62 million this year to RM215.97 million (in 2025)," he said.

"The development expenditure and development projects for the four states governed by the opposition party have also increased."

In 2024, Perlis had 159 projects with an allocation of RM635.27 million, increasing to 176 projects

with an allocation of RM643.06 million next year.

In Kedah, there were 430 projects this year with an allocation of RM1.78 billion, increasing to 488 projects with an allocation of RM2.23 billion next year.

In Kelantan, there were 425 projects with an allocation of RM2.79 billion this year, rising to 471 projects with an allocation of RM3.19 billion next year.

In Terengganu, 385 projects with an allocation of RM1.59 billion were implemented this year, increasing to 420 projects with a total allocation of RM1.84 billion next year.