

RM500 million allocated for flood repairs, says Anwar

KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim announced an allocation of RM500 million to repair public infrastructure damage caused by the recent floods.

He said he instructed all departments under the state and federal governments to conduct damage assessments and implement repair work immediately.

"This includes schools, clinics, basic facilities and roads. To expedite, I have approved RM500 million for the purpose of repairing flood damage," he said when tabling the Supply (Budget) Bill 2026 for its second reading in the Dewan Negara yesterday.

The Supply Bill was passed on Monday in the Dewan Rakyat after being tabled by him on Oct 10.

Anwar, who is also Finance minister, said the National Disaster Management Agency (Nadma) had increased its preparedness and implemented appropriate actions with local authorities and state governments in dealing with the disaster.

"This year's floods have seen more than 150 additional temporary relief centres activated recently, assisting more than 12,000 individuals."

The flood situation as of 8am yesterday showed a decrease in the number of victims in seven states, namely Selangor, Terengganu, Kelantan, Perak, Kedah, Pahang and Perlis.

Earlier, the prime minister reiterated that the government has allocated RM470 billion through the Madani Budget 2026 with a focus on driving economic growth, strengthening governance and ensuring that aid reaches the people directly.

He added that Sabah and Sarawak continued to be given priority for development through the implementation of water projects, improvement of school



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facilities, the Sabah Pan Borneo Highway project and digital facilities under the Madani Undersea Cable project.

In terms of security and disaster preparedness, Anwar said Nadma received RM460 million, while RM2.2 billion was allocated to implement 43 flood mitigation projects nationwide.

He also said the Education Ministry

received the largest allocation of RM66.2 billion, followed by the Health Ministry at RM46.5 billion, including the permanent appointment of 4,500 contract doctors next year.

Budget 2026 is the fourth budget under the Madani government and the first to be implemented within the framework of the 13th Malaysia Plan. - Bernama