

Umami slams Opposition for not helping flood victims

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KUALA LUMPUR: Businesswoman Umami Hafilda Ali has accused her brother Azmin Ali, who is Bukit Antarabangsa assemblyman, of not doing anything to help families affected by the floods in his constituency.

"None of the Opposition leaders showed up to help these people," she said when met at Kampung Lembah Jaya Utara, which was affected by flash floods on Wednesday.

"They make so many promises but when they are needed the most, they are nowhere to be seen."

Umami said many of those living in the affected areas had lost their homes and cars, and were left without clothes and basic necessities.

The heavy rain, which began on Wednesday evening, flooded areas such as Lebu Ampang, Jalan Pinang, Kampung Baru, Ampang, Taman Kosas, Jalan Bangsar and Jalan Sultan Ismail.

"Where are they now when the people need them?" she asked after handing out food and water to 150 flood victims in the area.

She said the Barisan Nasional team had been stationed at the affected area since the tragedy struck and was helping victims by providing food, water and clothes.

"The people need to open their eyes and see who is really helping them," she added.

Resident Iskandar Mohd Isa, 47, said it was the worst floods to ever hit the village.

"The floodwaters destroyed everything in my house.

"I lost furniture and electrical items while my children lost school books," he said.

"Our clothes were also damaged," said Iskandar, a father of three who operates a food stall.

He said it was difficult to clean his house because the water supply was shut off as the water treatment plant had also been flooded.

"I have borrowed a water pump to use water from the river to wash away the mud," he said.

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