

Prime Minister Reminds Residents In Flood Prone Areas To Be Cautious During Monsoon Season
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KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 7 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak has reminded residents in flood prone areas to be particularly cautious during the monsoon season.

He said residents should take precautionary measures especially where children are involved to avoid any untoward incidents and move to flood relief centres set up by government agencies if requested to do so.

In his latest entry in the 1Malaysia Blog, Najib said in order to ease potential difficulties, several government agencies are on standby to be mobilised and work with non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to assist victims.

In addition, he also advised residents to pay attention to hygiene issues during the flood season in order to prevent the spread of diseases.

"Ensure that your food is not contaminated by floods and thoroughly wash your hands before consuming food," he said.

The prime minister also reminded residents to be continuously vigilant of new flood alerts that may arise during this current monsoon season.

"Updates can be easily obtained by visiting www.portalbanjir.mkn.gov.my, a website by the National Security Council.

"Keep all important phone numbers of family members, neighbours and the closest police and fire stations in case of any emergency."

Every government in the world should always be prepared for possibility of natural disasters by providing a variety of security measures for the population.

"Thank god in our country, natural disasters are rare when compared to other countries. Malaysians must be thankful to god for all the blessings.

"However, almost every year this country will experience the monsoon season which usually starts in November and ends in mid-January," said Najib.

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