

**Nine More Bodies Found, Eight Still Missing - Masidi Manjun
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KUNDASANG, June 6 (Bernama) -- Search and rescue (SAR) teams scouring Mount Kinabalu discovered nine more bodies today in the wake of the 5.9 magnitude earthquake that hit Ranau district, Sabah yesterday.

This brings to 11 the death toll stemming from the temblor that occurred at 7.05 am on Friday. Two bodies were brought down last night.

Eight other individuals are still unaccounted for, according to Sabah Tourism, Culture and Environment Minister Datuk Seri Masidi Manjun.

He said the identity of the bodies found today atop the mountain, the highest peak in Southeast Asia, had yet to be ascertained.

"The forensic team from PDRM (Royal Malaysian Police) has already arrived here to identify the victims, and further statements would be issued by the police later," he told the media at an operations centre set up at Kinabalu Park, the entrance to the mountain, here.

He stressed that the SAR personnel were trying their best to locate the missing persons.

A moderate earthquake with a magnitude of 5.9 shook Ranau at 7.15 am yesterday. It could be felt in areas like Tambunan, Tuaran, Kota Kinabalu and Kota Belud.

Weak tremors could be detected until late last night.

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