

**'Unsung Heroes' Of Ranau Earthquake To Be Given Special Recognition – Muhyiddin
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RANAU, June 7 (Bernama) -- The Government will consider giving special recognition to the mountain guides involved in search and rescue operations for earthquake victims on Mount Kinabalu on Friday.

Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin, who described the mountain guides as 'unsung heroes', said they had done a great thing.

"They rescued climbers stranded on Mount Kinabalu and brought down injured victims after the earthquake, he told reporters after attending a briefing on the disaster here, Sunday.

"They are the ones I would say are the unsung heroes ... what is the special recognition, that needs to be considered," he said.

Meanwhile, in a separate press conference, Sabah Tourism, Culture and Environment Minister Datuk Seri Masidi Manjun said Muhyiddin had asked him to list down the names of the mountain guides who were involved in the operation. He said the government will also acknowledge them for their efforts and commitment in helping the rescue teams.

The government had also agreed to contribute RM1,000 to each mountain guide involved, he said.

"This contribution shows the government's appreciation for their acts of bravery ," he said.

A total of 250 mountain guides are registered with the Mount Kinabalu Guide Association.

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