

Muhyiddin Holds Closed-door Meeting With Kelantan MB
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KOTA BAHARU, Jan 6 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin had a closed-door meeting with Kelantan Menteri Besar Datuk Ahmad Yakob at the latter's office in Kota Darulnaim Complex, here, Tuesday.

Muhyiddin who arrived at 12.30pm, was believed to hold the meeting to discuss the recent massive flood in the state.

Also present at the meeting, which took about 50 minutes, were Kelantan Flood Disaster Special Committee chairman Datuk Seri Mustapa Mohamed and National Security Council (MKN) secretary Datuk Thajudeen Abdul Wahab.

The deputy prime minister who is on a one-day visit to Kelantan to look at the post-flood situation, then chaired a state post-flood coordination plan meeting at Sutera Inn Prima at 2pm.

Muhyiddin, who is also Education Minister, later joined a post-flood gotong-royong programme of cleaning up Sekolah Kebangsaan Tanjung Cenak in Pasir Mas, near here.

The visit will end with him participating in another gotong-royong to clean up Sekolah Kebangsaan Rantau Panjang in Pasir Mas.

In PASIR MAS, Muhyiddin said the federal government was truly committed to restoring the living conditions of the flood victims by providing them with all kinds of aid.

"The federal and state governments will assist them by setting aside our political ideology because what is more important is helping the victims cope with this disaster," he said in his speech at the presentation of the post-flood early schooling aid at Sekolah Kebangsaan Tanjung Chenak.

Also present were Muhyiddin's wife Puan Sri Norainee Abdul Rahman and Mustapa, who is also International Trade and Industry Minister.

"The federal government with the cooperation of the state government will help solve the problems of the flood victims as we know they're now in difficulties after the disaster.

"We will call on all parties to help solve their problems," Muhyiddin said.

He said the government would also strive to assist traders and farmers who lost their means of earning a living and also their homes, based on its capacity.

Muhyiddin also thanked all the volunteers who have been assisting in the post-flood operation of cleaning up schools and homes, so that the opening of the new school session this Sunday and coming Monday would not be affected.

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