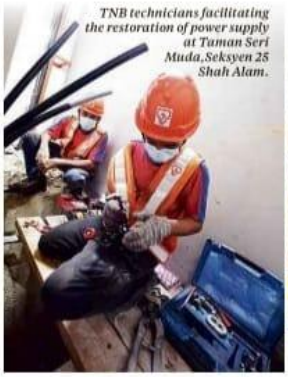
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TNB technicians facilitating the restoration of power supply at Taman Seri Muda, Seksyen 25 Shah Alam.



TNB is collaborating with the Malaysian Strategic Business Partners Association (Pernisma), The Electrical and Electronics Association of Malaysia (TEEAM), TNB Energy Services (TNBES), and several electrical contractors registered with the Energy Commission to carry out free electrical wiring inspections for B40 households affected by the floods.

TNB rolls out measures to help flood victims

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Energy and Natural Resources Minister Datuk Seri Takiyuddin Hassan (second from left) being briefed by Head of Zone Asset (HOZA) Selangor, Ahmad Fuad Md Kassim (second from right) on a visit to flood-affected areas and TNB's Main Distribution Substation (PPU) Sri Alam, Shah Alam on Dec 21, 2021.

THE once-in-a-century floods that battered most parts of the peninsula last month left many Malaysians in the lurch.

As the flood victims scramble to rebuild their lives, Tenaga Nasional Bhd (TNB) has rolled out several relief measures to assist them.

TNB president and chief executive officer Datuk Ir Baharin Din said the national utility company gave 72,000 domestic consumers affected by the floods a one-off 100 per cent rebate on their December electricity bills.

He said the decision to offer the rebates was mutually agreed upon by TNB and the government to show their solidarity with the people during these trying times.

The rebates, he said, would cost the national utility company RM9 million.

"TNB has also set aside emergency funds worth RM40 million to conduct recovery works and rehabilitate our electricity supply assets and infrastructure in the eight flood-hit states.

"Over 2,000 personnel worked on TNB rolls out measures to help flood victims the ground in flood-battered areas across the peninsula.

"They were tasked to restore power supply and facilitate repair and rehabilitation works of our electricity supply infrastructures.

"Besides providing basic necessities, we have also delivered portable generators to temporary evacuation centres to ensure electricity supply for the flood victims taking shelter there.

"Our staff also conducted tests on our electrical substations to ensure these assets are safe for the resumption of power supply distribution," he said.

Baharin said the TNB technicians, together with support staff from outside Klang Valley, have banded together with the 70th Royal Army Engineers Regiment Volunteers (RAJD) to repair damaged cables and fallen electric posts.

Most of the infrastructure, he said, was either damaged due to sedimentation or got swept away by the strong water current.

As part of TNB's corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives, Baharin said his team of technicians were carrying out free electrical wiring inspections for B40 households affected by the floods.

This exercise, he said, would ease the burden of the flood victims and enable them to utilise their financial resources for other purposes.

"Besides ensuring the safety of our customers and easing their burden, the inspections expedited the restoration of power supply to affected areas.

"The inspections include insulation resistance and earthing tests as well as other tests required in the distribution board and other related electrical equipment.

"This enabled our users to safely switch on the main switchboard for electricity supply to resume at their home or premises," he said.

Baharin said, TNB is collaborating with the Malaysian Strategic Business Partners Association (Pernisma), The Electrical and Electronics Association of Malaysia (TEEAM), TNB Energy Services (TNBES), and several electrical contractors registered with the Energy Commission to conduct the inspections.

More than 50 electrical contractors, he said, had also agreed to carry out inspections on a voluntary basis in selected B40 residential areas.

In addition to the RM40 million, Baharin said TNB had also disbursed flood relief funds for flood victims.

This, he said, included RM2 million of maximum matching grant that would be channelled to Tabung Warga TNB Prihatin (TWTP).

The company, he said, set up TWTP in June 2020 to ease the burden of those who were severely impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic.

"This time around our employees will continue to raise funds to help those affected by the floods.

"The encouraging response that TWTP has received thus far reflects the generosity of our big family here at TNB in coming together to help the less fortunate ones," he said.



TNB president and chief executive officer Datuk Ir Baharin Din (left) visiting the flood-hit areas in Hulu Langat, Selangor to observe the restoration of infrastructure.

TNB FLOOD AID AND MEASURES

TNB mobilised more than 2,000 workers and contributed RM40 million to restore supply.

- **2,000 personnel** comprising TNB technical staff including additional work teams from outside the Klang Valley and 70th Royal Army Engineers Regiment Volunteers (RAJD) to repair TNB assets.
- **RM40 million** for rehabilitation works, especially to repair assets and electricity supply infrastructure in eight states.
- **232 sets of generators** on standby to be moved to flood-affected areas if supply cannot be provided through the grid system.

TNB disbursed flood relief funds for flood victims.

- **100% one-off rebate** on electricity bills in December 2021 to 72,000 Domestic Customers affected by the floods.
  - The 100 % rebate through additional emergency allocation is **estimated at RM9 million.**
  - **Domestic customers** involved in Selangor, KL, Pahang, Melaka, Negri Sembilan, Perak, Terengganu and Kelantan.
- **Financial assistance** amounting to **RM2 million** of maximum matching grant through Tabung Warga TNB Prihatin (TWTP).
- **RM50,000** to Terengganu government to help flood management.
- **RM150,000** to Kelantan government for flood readiness.



Free Wiring Inspection Initiative for B40 homes severely affected by floods

- Collaboration with Malaysian Strategic Business Partners Association (Pernisma), The Electrical and Electronics Association of Malaysia (TEEAM), TNB Energy Services (TNBES), and several electrical contractors registered with Energy Commission to conduct the inspections.
- More than 50 electrical contractors agreed to carry out inspections on a voluntary basis in selected B40 residential areas.

As of Jan 10

- Total houses inspected = 1,112
- Total houses passed inspection = 1,046
- Percentage of passes = 94%

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