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Many people trapped in traffic jams and elevators in 7-hour blackout

JOHOR BARU

A POWER outage in the city centre, Tampoi and parts of Tebrau caused chaos from 1pm yesterday, as thousands of people were caught in massive traffic jams

along major roads due to non-functioning traffic lights.

There were reports of people stuck in lifts in high-rise buildings across the city.

Power was fully restored only at 7.40pm.

Johor Tenaga Nasional Bhd's

(TNB) general manager (customer service) Datuk Baderul Sham Saad said some 10,000 users were affected by the power outage.

However, hospitals, the Customs, Immigration and Quarantine complex, as well as most

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commercial buildings and other premises, continued to operate on backup generators.

“The disruption affected Komtar JBCC, JB Sentral, Sultanah Aminah Hospital, Taman Century and Jalan Yahya Awal.

“Power was 95 per cent restored at 7.15pm and fully restored at 7.40pm,”he said.

Earlier, Baderul Sham said the power outage was caused by a fault at the Johor Baru City Centre main TNB substation at 1.04pm.



Motorists stuck in a traffic jam in Johor Baru. The power outage took out the traffic lights and wreaked havoc on the city, Tampoi and parts of Tebrau. PIC BY HAIRUL ANUAR RAHIM