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KUALA TERENGGANU: The number of evacuees in 68 relief centres in the state dropped to 7,103 people from 1,743 families.

At 3pm, the number of evacuees stood at 7,337 from 1,810 families seeking shelter at 70 relief centres.

Dungun topped the list with 4,432 people from 1,095 families seeking shelter at 32 relief centres, followed by Kemaman with 2,472 people from 595 families in 31 relief centres.

According to a state National Security Council spokesman, 157 people from 39 families sought shelter at three relief centres in Hulu Terengganu while 42 people from 14 families are putting up at two relief centres in Marang.

In **Chukai**, it was a double blow for Johari Jusoh's family when their wooden home in Kampung Se-

berang Taylor here was swept away by strong currents on Wednesday, a day after his wife was admitted to the Kemaman Hospital.

The *bilal* at the village's mosque estimated his loss at RM10,000 after the main structure of the house was swept away by floodwaters.

Johari, a father of 11, said he was not at home as he was accompanying his wife to the hospital. His wife tore her ligament after a fall.

Johari said floodwaters rose up to 2.5m in a few hours and his children could not salvage anything as they rushed to higher ground.

The state Public Works Department portal for floods stated that in Kemaman, Jalan Mak Lagam-Cheneh was closed to all vehicles after the road was submerged under a metre of water.

Jalan Chukai Air Putih near Kampung Sungai Pinang was inacces-

sible to all traffic.

In **Dungun**, Jalan Jerangau-Jabor and Jalan Tepus-Kuala Jengai were closed to all vehicles after the two stretches were flooded.

Three roads in Hulu Terengganu were closed to all vehicles after being submerged between 0.7m to 1.2m of water. They were Jalan Matang/Kuala Telemong, Jalan Bukit Diman-Felda Tersat and Jalan Pengkalan Ajal near Kampung Pua.

Meanwhile, Tenaga Nasional Berhad has resumed operations at 14 sub-stations in Terengganu, leaving only 232 still facing a shutdown due to floods.

The shutdown left 10,407 residents in the dark at Geliga, Chukai, Al Muktafi Billah Shah, Cheneh and Dungun. Power supply to residents in Kuala Berang was, however, restored, it said.