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KUANTAN: Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB) has set aside some RM10 million to repair electrical substations in the east coast and Johor after it was hit by floods.

Deputy Energy, Green Technology and Water Minister Datuk Seri Mahdzir Khalid said the cost, including RM7.7 million allocated for Pahang, involved upgrading and replacing damaged parts.

He said Pahang was the hardest hit state, with 1,299 electrical substations in several districts submerged in floods, forcing some 76,000 consumers to experience a 10-hour power outage from midnight on Dec 4.

"To avoid any incidents, TNB was forced to stop power supply to consumers. Forty sets of mobile power generators were also deployed to temporarily restore power in the affected areas in Pahang.

"The power cuts in Kelantan, Terengganu and Johor only involved a small number of consumers, and repairs are expected to be completed within a month," he said after witnessing a cheque-presentation ceremony for flood victims at Yayasan Pahang here yesterday.

TNB, represented by its senior general manager (corporate affairs and communications) Datuk Ir. Mohd Aminuddin Mohd Amin handed RM250,000 to Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Adnan Yaakob, who represented the state government.

On the second wave of floods, Mahdzir said TNB's operation rooms in the affected states would monitor the situation and provide electrical safety information to consumers.

"TNB has arranged temporary flood barriers near electrical substations to prevent floodwaters from inundating the vicinity and has brought water pumps to drain the floodwaters in case they flow into the substation compound."