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Gempa Bumi Lemah Di Ranau - Jabatan Meteorologi

KUALA LUMPUR, 1 Sept (Bernama) -- Gempa bumi lemah dengan magnitud 3.3 pada skala Richter melanda Ranau pada 1.25 tengah hari tadi.

Menurut [Jabatan Metereologi Malaysia](#) dalam satu kenyataan, pusat gempa itu adalah enam darjah Utara dan 116.6 darjah Timur, 10 km Barat Daya dari Ranau.

Gegaran yang dirasai di Ranau sedang dipantau perkembangannya dan sebarang maklumat terkini akan dimaklumkan.

-- BERNAMA



Tiada Kerosakan Dilaporkan Susulan Gegaran Di Ranau

KOTA KINABALU, 1 Sept (Bernama) -- Tiada laporan diterima melibatkan kerosakan akibat gegaran terbaharu yang melanda Ranau hari ini, kata Pegawai Daerahnya Faimin Kamin.

Jabatan Meteorologi memaklumkan gempa bumi lemah berukuran 3.3 pada skala Richter melanda Ranau, kira-kira 108 kilometer dari sini, pada pukul 1.25 petang tadi.

Pusat gempa itu adalah enam darjah utara dan 116.6 darjah timur, 10 kilometer barat daya dari Ranau.

Faimin berkata walaupun gegaran lemah, ia masih boleh dirasakan oleh sebilangan penduduk di daerah itu.

"Gegaran tidaklah lama sangat, hanya dalam dua atau tiga saat. Kalau ada yang tidak rasa gegarannya, air dalam gelas pun boleh nampak sedikit gelombang kecil," katanya ketika dihubungi Bernama di sini.

Pada 5 Jun lepas, Ranau digegarkan oleh gempa bumi berukuran 5.9 pada skala Richter yang telah meragut 18 nyawa dan menyebabkan beberapa kerosakan pada bangunan serta rumah penduduk sekitar.

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Kumpulan pendaki pertama cemas

■ Gempa bumi susulan 3.3 magnitud di Gunung Kinabalu

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Seramai 36 pendaki termasuk 12 malim gunung yang melakukan pendakian pertama ke Laban Rata di Gunung Kinabalu di sini, semalam berdepan detik cemas apabila satu gempa bumi susulan berukuran 3.3 magnitud dilaporkan berlaku.

Dalam kejadian jam 1.25 petang kumpulan pendaki berkenaan panik, namun mereka ditenangkan malim gunung. Tiada kecederaan atau kemalangan jiwa dilaporkan berlaku.

Kejadian terbaru itu menjadikan jumlah keseluruhan

gempa bumi dicatatkan di daerah berkenaan adalah 118 gegaran selepas gempa bumi terkuat pada 5.9 magnitud direkodkan pada 5 Jun lalu.

Ketua Balai Bomba dan Penyelamat Ranau Jimmy Lagon berkata, pihaknya tidak menerima panggilan kecemasan berhubung kejadian terbaru itu.

"Namun, pasukan Mencari dan Menyelamat Gunung (MOSAR) yang bertugas di Gunung Kinabalu ada melaporkan kejadian ini (gegaran), tetapi keadaan kawasan pendakian adalah selamat.

"Setakat ini, tiada sebarang

kejadian tidak diingini berlaku sama ada runtuhannya di pergunungan atau sekitar daerah ini," katanya ketika dihubungi.

Menurut Jimmy, enam anggota MOSAR yang juga malim gunung mengiringi 24 pendaki ke Laban Rata.

Pada masa sama, Harian Metro difahamkan sembilan pendaki dan empat malim gunung berમાlam di Laban Rata manakala selebihnya hanya menyertai pendakian harian.

Sementara itu, berdasarkan rekod Jabatan Meteorologi Malaysia (JMM) Sabah,

gempa bumi susulan itu dilaporkan berlaku kira-kira 11 kilometer dari barat pekan Ranau menyebabkan terjadi gegaran kecil.

Kali terakhir gempa bumi susulan dicatatkan berukuran 2.5 magnitud, jam 6.09 pagi, 28 Ogos lalu.

Sementara itu, penduduk pekan Kundasang, Rainin Maidin, 52, berkata, dia bersama beberapa penjaja berada di pekan berkenaan untuk menjual hasil pertanian.

"Namun, kami tidak merasai sebarang gegaran berbanding Jun dan Julai lalu. Mungkin disebabkan gegaran kali ini agak lemah dan jauh dari pekan menyebabkan penduduk tidak merasai gegaran terbabit," katanya.



ANTARA Malim Gunung yang dikantik sebagai pegawai MOSAR.

Terdahulu, dalam kejadian jam 7.15 pagi, 5 Jun lalu, negara digemparkan dengan kejadian gempa bumi bertuku-

ran 5.9 magnitud di puncak Gunung Kinabalu yang mengorbankan 18 nyawa termasuk empat malim gunung.

FAKTA

Ranau mencatatkan 118 gegaran selepas gempa bumi terkuat pada 5.9 magnitud direkodkan 5 Jun lalu

Haze expected this week

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PETALING JAYA — Several areas, including Kuala Lumpur, could be hit by haze this week, according to the Malaysian Meteorological Department.

In a statement, a department national weather centre officer, who declined to be named, said based on readings on Monday, 243 hot spots were identified in Malaysia and Indonesia.

"A total of 222 hot spots were detected in Sumatra while 19 were found in Kalimantan and one each in Peninsular Malaysia and Sabah," he said.

The officer said the west coast of the peninsula and west of Sarawak would most likely be hit by haze.

"Generally, less rain was observed throughout the country.

"It rained in only a few places in the late evening on the west coast of Peninsular Malaysia and west of Sarawak, raising the possibility these areas could be affected by haze," he said.

The officer said haze might blanket Kuala Lumpur as winds blew in from Sumatra.

"The wind is blowing from the southwest of the city at a speed of 10 to 30km per hour.

"With less rain in the city and the cross-border haze, it could cause continuous hazy conditions throughout the week," he said.

Air pollutant index (API) readings from the department's website show several areas in the good to moderate category as at 5pm yesterday.

The worst readings were recorded at Port Klang (93), Batu Muda (87) and Cheras (86).

"Although thunderstorms are expected, it will not be enough to alleviate the effects of the haze," said the officer.

The public can check API readings at *apims.doe.gov.my*.

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Situation to remain until inter-monsoon kicks in

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PETALING JAYA: Malaysians will have to bear with the hazy situation for at least another two to three weeks before the inter-monsoon period kicks in.

The Meteorological Department said the high number of hotspots in Sumatra, along with the current wind pattern, had brought in the haze.

"During the current southwest monsoon, the wind direction is from Indonesia towards Malaysia. With the forest fires in Indonesia, we end up experiencing the haze."

"On Monday evening, we observed that there were still over 200 hotspots in Sumatra and this number must decrease over the

next few weeks for haze not to reach unsafe levels," said National Weather Centre senior meteorologist Dr Hisham Mohd Anip.

As at yesterday evening, the Air Pollutant Index for most areas in the country was within the moderate levels of 51 to 100, which is still considered safe for generally healthy people.

However, Dr Hisham advised those prone to breathing problems or other health issues to take extra precautions.

"For the time being, try to reduce

outdoor activity or anything that requires spending a long time inhaling the air outside because the air quality is not healthy right now," he said.

Although the haze is expected to last for the next few weeks, the department predicts a brief respite tomorrow and Friday with a minor shift anticipated in the wind pattern.

"At this time, we are expecting the winds to shift so it blows from Malaysia to Indonesia instead."

"After the two days, the return of



the haze will depend on the situation in Indonesia. If it has not improved, then expect the haze to return," said Dr Hisham.

He further observed that while there would be rain in some places, these would be isolated and would not help improve the situation.

"Very little rain is forecast for the next few weeks until the inter-monsoon, which is expected to begin in the second or third week of September."

"Only after that, we may experience more rainfall and improved weather conditions," he said.

In Putrajaya, *Bernama* quoted Natural Resources and Environment Minister Datuk Seri Dr Wan Junaidi Tuanku Jaafar as saying the haze is also expected to occur in western and northern Sarawak.

Johor folk hope cloud seeding will end water rationing

NUSAJAYA: While the people in other states are hoping for rain facing the haze to get rid of the haze, those in Johor are hoping cloud-seeding operations will bring an end to water rationing.

Cloud-seeding operations in the airspace over Sungai Layang dam are expected to be conducted within two weeks of the water rationing period being lifted on Sept 15.

Johor Works, Regional and Rural Development Committee chairman Datuk Hasni Mohammad said that although it rained the last few days, the water level in the dam was still low.

"With the help and cooperation of the Singapore Consulate-General office in Johor Baru, we need not wait for an official reply and need only notify the date and method of the operation to be executed," he told reporters yesterday.

Earlier, he attended the Green Technology and Climate Change Council meeting chaired by Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Mohamed Khaled Nordin.

Hasni said the matter was being handled by the Johor Meteorological Department and no longer at the federal level.

The water level at the Sungai Layang dam has dropped to 18.99m below the normal 26.6m and the rationing would only be lifted if it climbs above 23.5m, he said.

"Due to climate change, we only receive 50% of rainfall at present," he said, adding that Johor received an annual average rainfall of 2,500mm.

In the long term, he said the state government would receive raw water supply of at least 30 million litres daily for public consumption once the Refinery and Petrochemical Integrated Development (Rapid) in Pengerang starts operation.

There were also plans to pump raw water from Sungai Johor, said Hasni. — Bernama

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Not much improvement in Penang either

GEORGE TOWN: Penang is still shrouded by haze with Air Pollutant Index (API) readings at three monitoring stations here recording a moderate level.

As at 4pm yesterday, the Department of Environment's monitoring stations in Seberang Jaya 2, Universiti Sains Malaysia and Prai recorded API levels were at 79, 72 and 68 respectively.

Visibility in Bayan Lepas was 4km as at 5pm.

According to the **Meteorological Department's website**, there was a forecast of isolated rain and thunderstorms until next week.

An API reading of between 0 and 50 is considered good, 51 to 100 (moderate), 101 to 200 (unhealthy), 201 to 300 (very unhealthy), and 301 and above (hazardous).



Poor visibility:
The haze situation in Penang. — ZHAFFARAN NASIB / The Star

KERATAN AKHBAR
UTUSAN MALAYSIA (DALAM NEGERI) : MUKA SURAT 22
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MyIPO dipilih kendali Pusat Sokongan Teknologi Inovasi

KUALA LUMPUR 1 Sept. - Perbadanan Harta Intelekt Malaysia (MyIPO) telah diberi kepercayaan oleh Pertubuhan Harta Intelekt Dunia (WIPO) dalam mengendalikan program Pusat Sokongan Teknologi Inovasi (TISC) kerana komitmen badan itu dalam bidang hak cipta.

Menteri Perdagangan Dalam Negeri, Koperasi dan Kepenggunaan (KPDNKK), Datuk Hamzah Zainudin berkata, peranan yang diberi WIPO itu diharap dapat meningkatkan lagi kefahaman masyarakat tentang kepentingan bidang tersebut.

"Program ini memudahkan capaian maklumat harta intelek dan meningkatkan kefahaman masyarakat setempat serta kumpulan sasaran seperti institusi pengajian tinggi awam dan swasta dalam mengkomersialkan inovasi serta teknologi," katanya.

Beliau berkata demikian dalam kenyataan akhbarinya selepas hadir dalam Majlis Perhimpunan Bulanan dan Lawatan Kerja Rasmi di pejabat MyIPO di Bangsar dekat sini hari ini.

Yang turut hadir antaranya ialah Timbalannya, Datuk Seri Ahmad Bashah Md. Hanipah dan Ketua Setiausaha KPDNKK, Datuk Seri Alias Ahmad.

Menurutnya, pencapaian MyIPO itu diharap akan dapat memperkemaskan lagi strategi dan hala tuju bagi memperkukuhkan lagi perlindungan harta intelek supaya ia setanding dengan negara-negara maju.

"MyIPO juga seharusnya berbangga kerana pernah terpilih menjadi 'country champion' dalam Pelan Tindakan ASEAN 2011-2015 untuk lima inisiatif daripada 28 inisiatif dalam program meningkatkan lagi penjagaan harta intelek," ujarnya.