

Petagas fire leaves 76 people homeless

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KOTA KINABALU: A fire that razed 11 houses in Kampung Contoh, Petagas on Thursday night saw 76 villagers from 17 families being made homeless.

Dewan Sri Putatan has been activated as a temporary shelter to house 29 victims from six of the families. The rest have opted to stay elsewhere, according to the Putatan district disaster management secretariat.

State Community Development and People's Wellbeing Minister Datuk Shahelmei Yahya said the fire victims would be given assistance, which would include long-term plans to get them housing.

"We came down to the ground to get feedback from the victims. Only some have gone to the temporary shelter, while others opted to stay at the village or move in with relatives.

"We will see the detailed report, then see how to help them," he said after visiting the victims at the village community hall located near the scene.



Tragedy: The fire that broke out at Kampung Contoh, Petagas, razed 11 homes.

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