



CIRCULATION OF EMAILS CONCERNING THE WINTER STORM WHICH IS EXPECTED TO HIT KUALA LUMPUR ON 20 NOVEMBER 2009: NO SUCH STORM WILL TAKE PLACE

Since early November 2009, emails had been widely circulated claiming and predicting that a winter storm will hit Kuala Lumpur (KL) on 20 November 2009.

The Malaysian Meteorological Department (MMD) would like to clarify that the information in the email is not true. Winter storms do not happen in the tropics where Malaysia is located. It only happens in the mid-latitude countries.

Currently a monsoon wind surge has occurred over our country. This monsoon wind surge is entirely different from winter storms. For the next few days this will bring some heavy rain over the east coast states of Kelantan and Terengganu. Occasionally heavy rain is also predicted for Northern Perak, Kedah and Perlis.

Again, MMD would like to stress that there will be **No Winter Storm on November 20**. The public is advised not to believe the rumour on the winter storm over Kuala Lumpur which does not have any scientific basis.

The MMD monitors our weather closely and for the actual weather forecasts, the public can call MMD's Central forecast office at 03-79678116 or visit our website at <http://www.met.gov.my>

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