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On behalf of the staff and community of Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM), I wish to express my deepest condolences and heartfelt sympathies to the people of Japan, particularly those who have been affected by the recent floods and landslides in the north-east of Japan.

Universiti Teknologi Malaysia is a global community and many of our staff members, students and their families have connections to the region affected by the tragedy.

We grieve for the loss of lives and our thoughts and prayers are with those who have been affected, who remain at risk and those who are rebuilding their homes, infrastructure and communities.

The outstanding courage and resilience shown in facing this difficult period reflect the strength and perseverance of the Japanese people.

In this respect, we in UTM are ready to extend whatever assistance necessary. We also hope for the speedy recovery of the region and the people affected.

Yours sincerely,

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