



## WEEKLY UPDATE ON ASEAN PLUS THREE FOOD SECURITY RELATED INFORMATION

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### Brunei Darussalam

***The Ministers of Home Affairs and a member of the Committee of Governors received donations for the assistance of flood-affected people as of February 2018.*** Donations came from the Yayasan Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah, Lim Hong Huai, the Singapore High Commissioner to Brunei Darussalam and Pehin Kapitan Lela Diraja Dato Paduka Goh King Chin contributing to a total financial aid of 32,000 USD for victims. Reportedly, two houses were affected by flash floods in Brunei-Muara District while 11 calls were received in Tutong District due to floods. Belait District received 16 calls of houses being submerged whereas Temburong District recorded five calls.

**Source:** Borneo Bulletin (2018, Mar 2). *MoHA receives donations for flood victims.*

### Cambodia

***A fierce storm led to two injuries and above 100 damaged houses of five villages in Oddar Meanchey Province.*** Related authorities are repairing houses and preparing a settlement for the people. Heavy rains and storms would continue across seven northern provinces from 6 to 9 March 2018. Koh Kong, Kampong Speu, Pursat, Battambang, Pailin, Siem Reap and Banteay Meanchey provinces are all expected to be affected.

**Source:** Phnom Penh Post (2018, Mar 6). *Over one hundred homes destroyed in storm as north braces for more.*

### Indonesia

***Floods due to heavy rain and overflowing river caused around 5,650 affected people in Bima and Dompu Regencies of West Nusa Tenggara Province.*** In Bima Regency, 55 people have been evacuated. In the meantime, in Dompu Regency, the public hospital has been inundated and 1,120 families have been evacuated as their houses were damaged. Economic losses may reach 600 million rupiah (43,668 USD). Relevant units coordinated response and provided relief items to affected people.

\* 1 USD = 13,740 rupiah

**Source:** ASEAN Humanitarian Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on Disaster Management (AHA Centre) (2018, Mar 5). *Indonesia, Flood in West Nusa Tenggara (NTB).*

### Philippines

***Mayon Volcano Eruption was updated to affect 90,739 people in Albay Province while the alert status was lowered from the level 4 to 3 reflecting overall decrease in unrest in Bicol Region.*** A total of 66,566 affected people was being served by evacuation centres. Damages on agriculture were at 166.3 million peso (3.2 million USD) on 10,433 farmers in Albay Province. Since 16 January 2018, Albay Province has

been declared under the state of calamity. Relevant units provided assistance worth 470.8 million peso (9.1 million USD) for the affected families in Albay Province. However, classes, power supply and flights have resumed operations.

\* 1 USD = 51.94 peso

**Source:** National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council of the Philippines (2018, Mar 6). *SitRep No.56 re Mayon Volcano Eruption*.

## Thailand

**People in the upper parts of the country are warned of Tropical Storm from 7 to 9 March 2018.** Tropical Storm is due to the high-pressure area from P.R. China and will cause heavy rains, strong winds and hailstorms in some areas. The situations will start from the northeastern region followed by northern, central and eastern regions, respectively.

**Source:** Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation (DDPM) (2018, Mar 5). *Disaster Report (Thai Version)*.

**Provinces in the northeastern region stepped up drought prevention and mitigation measures ahead of dry season.** The governor of Khon Kaen Province surveyed Huai Yai Reservoir and assured that remaining water supplies are enough for household consumption and agricultural activities until rainy season. Meanwhile, in Nong Khai Province, the irrigation development will redirect water from river to the Huai Mong Dam for water-intensive agriculture between March and April 2018. Relevant agencies will also launch a campaign to urge farmers to conserve water.

**Source:** National News Bureau of Thailand (2018, Mar 2). *Northeastern provinces step up drought prevention*.

## Viet Nam

**Houses and several hectares of vegetable crops in northern Ha Giang Province were damaged by hailstorms.**

Reportedly, seventy houses and a medical station were damaged in Meo Vac District whereas there were damages on dozens of houses and crop areas in Dong Van and Yenminh Districts. Yet, there were no reports of casualty. Related authorities were compiling accurate damage statistics and were asked to use the reserve budget to support the families whose house were damaged.

**Source:** Viet Nam News (2018, Mar 5). *Hailstorms destroy crops, houses in Ha Giang*.

## Japan

**A blizzard led to one death, stranded cars and disruption on train services in Hokkaido Prefecture.** The Japan Meteorological Agency said that the storm in Hokkaido would gradually weaken on 9 March 2018 afternoon.

**Source:** Japan Today (2018, Mar 3). *Snowstorm kills roadside rescuer in Hokkaido*.

**A snowstorm has been hitting parts of Hokkaido Prefecture.** The side of the Sea of Japan may face a severe blizzard and people are warned not to go outside. There were one injury and 320 temporarily stranded vehicles without any deaths or damaged properties.

**Source:** NHK WORLD (2018, Mar 2). *Snowstorm hits Hokkaido*.

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