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Indonesia

A flash flood hit several villages in Sigi regency on 12 December 2019. The flood, caused by continuous rain, brought a landslide from a mountain located in Bolapapu to hit several villages in Kulawi sub-district in Sigi regency, Central Sulawesi.

There were two people died while 50 houses severely damaged.

The regency administration delivered food supplies and basic needs to affected residents and also deployed a team to help people in the villages.

Source: The Jakarta Post. (2019, Dec 14). Two dead, 50 houses covered in mud as flash flood hits Sigi.

Malaysia

Floods have affected large parts of Johor state. As of 16 December 2019, the number of displaced persons rose to more than 9,000. They have been forced to evacuate to 93 temporary relief centres in nine districts across the state after their home were inundated.

The Malaysian Meteorological Department issued dangerous weather warnings in the districts of Mersing and Kota Tinggi, while severe weather warnings were covered Segamat, Muar, Batu Pahat, Kluang, Pontian, Kulai and Johor Baru. Only the alert warning was given for Tangkak.

There were two roads in Kota Tinggi district namely Jalan Mawai Lama and Jalan Dalam closed due to the floods while one lane of Jalan Telok Arong was opened for small vehicles.

Source: The Star. (2019, Dec 16). Flood update: More than 9,000 evacuated in Johor.

Philippines

A powerful earthquake struck near the Philippine city of Davao on 15 December 2019. According to the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (PHIVOLCS), an earthquake of 6.9 magnitude hit Davao del Sur province, Mindanao island at 1:11 p.m. (local time) at a depth of 3 kilometres.

There were a total of 556 aftershocks recorded following the 6.9-magnitude earthquake.

As of 17 December 2019, the death toll from the disaster rose to eight people while 149 people were injured and 1,483 houses and 58 infrastructures were totally damaged. According to the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), a total of 1,913 families or 9,565 individuals were displaced by the earthquake in 12 barangays in Davao Region.

Source: AHA Centre. (2019, Dec 17). M 6.9 EARTHQUAKE IN DAVAO DEL SUR, PHILIPPINES FLASH UPDATE # 3. Manila Bulletin. (2019, Dec 17). Death toll in Davao earthquake increases to 8.

Japan

A 4.2-magnitude earthquake hit northern Hokkaido on 12 December 2019. According to the Japan Meteorological Agency, the earthquake occurred at around 1:09 a.m. (local time) about 7 kilometres underground in the Soya region.

There was no immediate report of injuries or property damage due to the temblor. Also, no tsunami warning was issued.

The quake was measured lower 5 on the Japanese seismic intensity scale to 7 defined as an intensity at which many people are frightened and feel the need to hold onto something stable.

Besides, the quake has increased the risk of falling rocks and landslides should another of similar intensity hit soon. The agency warned people in the northern region to be on alert for around the next week.

Source: Japan Today. (2019, Dec 12). *M4.2 quake hits northern Hokkaido; no tsunami warning issued.*

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