



# WEEKLY UPDATE ON ASEAN PLUS THREE FOOD SECURITY RELATED INFORMATION

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## Indonesia

**Torrential downpour caused floods in two provinces of Indonesia.** Heavy and prolonged rainfall led flooding after the Bone River broke its bank on 11 June 2020.

There were six districts of Bone in Bone Bolango regency in Gorontalo province inundated while 5,407 people became displaced and Molintogupo bridge were destroyed.

The northern part of Gorontalo province was also hit by flooding with 1.5-metre high of floodwaters. There were approximately 1,150 residents affected.

Moreover, flood and landslides struck widespread areas of South Sulawesi province on 12 June 2020. This caused at least one person to die. Meanwhile, four people have been missing and around 12,000 people were affected. The flood also damaged 2,339 houses and one bridge.

The Search and Rescue (SAR) team rendered those affected people in flood-hit areas.

**Source:** The Jakarta Post. (2020, June 12). *Flash flood forces thousands of Gorontalo residents out of their homes*; Floodlist. (2020, June 13). *Indonesia – Deadly Floods and Landslides Hit South Sulawesi*.

## Thailand

**A summer storm slammed Phayao province on 13 June 2020.** The storm damaged around 50 houses and brought down power poles in Mar Ka municipality, Muang district leaving the area without electricity.

Uprooted trees caused by the storm destroyed a highway police kiosk and blocked traffic in the area. Mae Ka municipality workers rushed to remove fallen trees from the roads and allow traffic to resume.

**Source:** Bangkok Post. (2020, June 14). *Phayao village lashed by storm*.

**Several parts of Thailand were struck by flooding.** Villages in Nong Phai district, Phetchabun province were flooded after heavy rain on 13 June 2020.

Runoff from Wang Haew mountain poured into a downstream canal causing the canal to overflow and spread water into 60 households. Then, the embankments of the canal were broken by the strong current.

Meanwhile, many areas in Muang district, Nakhon Ratchasima province were also inundated by flooding on 14 June 2020.

The strong southwest monsoon still prevails across the Andaman Sea affecting nationwide according to the Thai Meteorological Department.

**Source:** Bangkok Post. (2020, June 15). *Phetchabun villages flooded after heavy rain*; Bangkok Post. (2020, June 15). *Heavy rain causes flooding in Korat town*.

## Viet Nam

**A whirlwind destroyed a factory in the province of Vinh Phuc.** On 10 June 2020, a strong whirlwind swept away the factory in Trung My commune, Binh Xuyen district, Vinh Phuc province killing three people while 18 people were injured.

The provincial leaders, polices, soldiers and medical workers actively participated in the rescue and recovery operations.

**Source:** Viet Nam News. (2020, June 11). *Three die, 18 injured after bad weather strikes.*

## China

**Flood situation in southern and central China worsened as over 20 people died or remained missing.** According to the Ministry of Emergency Management, torrential downpours triggered devastating floods and mudslides in many provinces of southern and central China. It affected about 2.63 million people while 228,000 people were displaced. More than 1,300 houses were destroyed. This severe calamity brought direct economic losses of around 566 million U.S. dollars.

Guangxi Zhuang autonomous region in south China was the worst hit area where six people died, one person has been missing and almost 1.3 million people were affected.

Further, floods and landslides in Guizhou province caused eight people to be dead or missing. Several houses in the area were damaged causing 2,800 people to be displaced. In the meantime, almost 23,000 people in the provinces of Guangdong and Jiangxi were evacuated to the safer zone.

In central Hunan province, at least 13 fatalities were reported. The floods affected 321,000 people and forced 11,000 people to flee from their homes.

As of 10 June 2020, the Chinese Meteorological authorities warned of rainstorms and floods to continually hit various parts of the country for the next 24 hours.

**Source:** Xinhua. (2020, June 11). *China Focus: Over 20 dead, missing in south China rainstorms.*

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