



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

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### Indonesia

**Heavy rains in North Sumatra, Indonesia caused floods and landslides in some parts of the region.** Influenced by the effects of tropical storms and low-pressure areas since 3 December 2020, North Sumatra province was drenched in torrential rainfalls causing several floods and landslides and claiming the lives of eight people in six regencies and cities; Deli Serdang, Medan, Binjai, Humbang Hasundutan, Tebing Tinggi and Serdang Bedagai.

An embankment nearby a river that separates Deli Serdang regency and Medan city was collapsed during heavy rains sending water into the residential areas. In Medan, six people were killed while 2,773 houses in seven districts were badly affected. Also, heavy downpours caused rivers in the area to overflow. Moreover, there were two people died after a landslide hit Sibolangit and Namorambe districts in Deli Serdang.

**Source:** The Jakarta Post. (2020, Dec 7). *Eight dead in floods, landslides in North Sumatra.*

### Malaysia

**Thousands of people were displaced due to flooding.** Floods caused by heavy rainfalls inundated many areas in Malaysia. Terengganu and Kelantan were among the worst flood-hit states. More than 3,000 people were forced to flee from their houses and accommodated in temporary shelters. Additionally, floods also hit Pahang and Perak states

**Source:** Anadolu Agency. (2020, Dec 4). *Floods in Malaysia displace more than 3,000 people.*

### The Philippines

**Heavy rain in the Philippines left one dead and over hundreds of people displaced.** Downpour on 2 December 2020 triggered heavy flooding in some areas in northern Cebu. According to the Chief of Danao city, there was one person died, around 200 people were evacuated to Barangay Nangka covered court and Balamban central elementary school. At least 33 villages in Danao city were also affected by floods. Heavy rains in some parts of Cebu were caused by the tail-end of a frontal system and the extensions of a low-pressure area (LPA)

**Source:** Manila Bulletin. (2020, Dec 3). *One dead in Cebu flooding, 200 residents evacuated.*

### Thailand

**Violent flood in the southern part of Thailand claimed three more deaths.** Many provinces in southern Thailand encountered flooding triggered by incessant downpours which brought by the southern monsoon over the Gulf of Thailand since 25 November 2020. According to the Disaster Prevention and Mitigation Department, three more people were reportedly died in Surat Thani and Songkhla causing the death toll rose to 24. About 555,194 households were flooded

and 180,000 houses in Nakhon Si Thammarat, where was the worst-hit area, were damaged. The overall situation in several areas seemed to be gradually improved but there were more floods reported in Surat Thani, Trang and Songkhla.

**Source:** Bangkok Post. (2020, Dec 8). *3 more dead in southern inundation.*

## **Viet Nam**

**Deadly flooding in Viet Nam killed at least five people and forced a number of people to leave their houses.** According to Viet Nam's Central Steering Committee for Natural Disaster Prevention and Control, many provinces were suffering as heavy rainfalls battered in central and central highland regions, including KhanhHoa, Dak Lak, Quang Ngai and Quang Nam. Several houses and roads were damaged by floods and landslides. Furthermore, there were five people found dead and one has been missing in the affected area while nearly 6,000 people have to evacuate to the safer zone.

**Source:** The Watchers. (2020, Dec 3). *Extreme rain causes deadly flooding in central Vietnam.*

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