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Indonesia

Prolonged flooding has disrupted people's livelihood in Indonesia. Water of up to one metre high has been inundating Wara village in North Luwu regency, South Sulawesi since 13 July 2020 as a result of a broken embankment nearby. This incident caused the isolation of the village and motorboats became the only viable vehicle used for transporting to the rest areas of the regency.

In relation to this, the affected villagers urged the government agencies to provide necessary supportive items in order to help remedy the effects of this prolonged disaster as the aids previously distributed by some volunteers was quickly depleted.

Source: The Jakarta Post. (2020, Sep 15). *South Sulawesi village inundated, isolated for two months following flash flood.*

Heavy floods forced thousands away from their homes. A series of floods in Gorontalo, Central Kalimantan, and West Kalimantan provinces during 12-14 September 2020 was triggered by relentless downpours. This led to the evacuation of more than 2,000 residents in the mentioned areas as well as the fatalities of four persons. The disasters also affected over 10 thousand people and

inflicted damages to nearly 4,000 houses causing massive sufferings to the victims.

Source: Reliefweb. (2020, Sep 14). *Indonesia - Floods (ECHO Daily Flash of 14 September 2020).*

Malaysia

Flash floods surprised many people in Malaysia. More than 100 residents in Kuala Kangsar and around 90 families in Nibong Tebal were forced to leave their homes and seek shelters at temporary flood relief centres. This was said to be a result of flash floods caused by incessant downpours that struck the area on the nights of 10 and 12 September 2020. Fortunately, no report on destructions and casualties was given.

Source: New Straits Times. (2020, Sep 13). *Kuala Kangsar hit by flash floods; over 100 evacuated*; New Straits Times. (2020, Sep 11). *Nibong Tebal floods: 40 more families forced from homes.*

Viet Nam

Three provinces in Viet Nam experiences several disasters. Heavy downpours, thunderstorms together with landslide and flooding collectively took place in Hà Giang Province, Điện Biên Province, and Vĩnh Long Province during 11 and 13 September 2020. These natural calamities killed one person and causes a destruction of around 100 houses and agricultural fields as well as some construction projects, according to a report from the Steering Committee for Natural Disaster Prevention and Control and Search and Rescue in Hà Giang Province.

Apart from this, the National Hydro-meteorological Forecast Centre forecasted that there is a high possibility of more heavy rains falling down into many more regions across the country until 23 September 2020, prompting the relevant agencies to closely monitor the situations.

Source: Vietnam News. (2020, Sep 14). *Heavy rains forecast nationwide.*

China

Downpours caused a dike breach and thousands of people to be evacuated.

There was an urgent evacuation of more than 3,900 people in Jilin Province on 13 September 2020 after the large amount of water from an upstream reservoir along with the continuous downpours caused the dike in the city of Dehui to breach. In relation to this, some houses in affected Wujiazi Village were inundated. However, no residents were killed or injured.

Source: Xinhua. (2020, Sep 14). *3,900 people evacuated after dike breach in northeast China.*

South China witnessed deaths and missing from flash flood.

The local authorities declared the deaths of four people and the missing of at least one person on 11 September 2020 after Sanjiang Dong Autonomous County in Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region was swept across by a flood triggered by heavy rainfalls. Several houses in Tangshui Village were destroyed. Meanwhile, a rescue operation was conducted to help alleviate the adversity of the affected individuals.

Source: Xinhua. (2020, Sep 11). *Four killed in flooding in south China.*

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