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Indonesia

Deluges brought difficulties to a thousand people in Indonesia. During 5-9 August 2021, several inundations took place in three provinces of Indonesia including Banten, South Sulawesi and Maluku. The situations were caused by moderate to high-intensity rainfalls that set off the overflowing of many rivers. As a result, floodwater directly affected 1,452 residents and submerged 306 houses along with one road and other public buildings such as schools, government offices and places of worship. Fortunately, no deaths and injuries were incurred in these calamities.

Source: AHA Centre. (2021, Aug 9). *Indonesia, Flooding in Serang Regency, Banten*; AHA Centre. (2021, Aug 6). *Indonesia, Flooding in Eastern Seram Regency, Maluku*; AHA Centre. (2021, Aug 2-8). *WEEKLY DISASTER UPDATE Week 31*.

Myanmar

Internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Myanmar underwent evacuation for fear of flood. As reported on 5 August 2021, around 150 families in Sinbawgaing IDP camp situated in Mrauk-U Township of Rakhine State, Myanmar had to evacuate to a safer place due to the risk of

flooding from a rain-induced overflow of a river nearby.

Relative to this, the torrential rains also put more than 3,400 IDPs, currently living in tarpaulin tents, in a direr situation since they were not able to go out and cut down bamboo to build their homes.

Source: Eleven. (2021, Aug 5). *IDPs evacuate Sinbawgaing IDP camp in fear of flood*.

The Philippines

A deadly monsoon continued to take a heavy toll in the Philippines. A southwest monsoon that triggered numerous inundations, landslides, rainstorms, and strong winds since 28 July 2021 continued to induce massive miseries to the residents in Regions 1, 3, MIMAROPA, 8, 9, CAR, and NCR of the Philippines. As of 11 August 2021, there were three people confirmed dead as well as one person remained missing. In relation to this, the total number of affected people climbed up to 1,091,067, almost double comparing to the report on 4 August 2021, while the displaced persons also increased exponentially to 295,936. In addition to this, the calamities collectively caused 645 houses to be damaged, 145 of which were totally destructed.

Source: AHA Centre. (2021, Aug 2-8). *WEEKLY DISASTER UPDATE Week 31*.

China

Tens of thousands fled their homes as a tropical storm made two landfalls in one day. Over 33,000 people in Guangdong Province and 25,000 in Fujian Province were evacuated from the hazardous areas as a vicious tropical storm Lupit made two landfalls in both China's provinces on 5 August 2021. The storm packed a maximum wind speed of 24 metres per second and was expected to bring gales and torrential rainfalls in Zhejiang, Fujian, Guangdong Provinces along with Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region.

Source: Xinhua. (2021, Aug 5). *Over 33,000 evacuated as Typhoon Lupit makes landfall in China's Guangdong; Xinhua. (2021, Aug 5). Typhoon Lupit makes second landfall in southeast China's Fujian.*

Heavy downpours led to the displacement of several thousand.

Above 7,000 people in southwest China's Sichuan Province were forced to evacuate from their homes following the lashing rainfall in the northeastern part of the province between 7-8 August 2021. The high rate of precipitation resulted in flooding in the streets. Meanwhile, the water in many rivers rose above danger levels. In this regard, there were 100,000 people badly affected from this natural calamity.

Source: Xinhua. (2021, Aug 8). *Heavy downpours affect over 100,000 in China's Sichuan.*

Japan

Rainstorms were expected after a tropical storm marched through Japan.

Tropical storm Lupit made its second landfall over Japan's soil in Hiroshima Prefecture on the morning of 9 August 2021 after it crashed the land in Kyushu Region on the day before. The storm was expected to bring showers and gusty winds to western, eastern and northern Japan areas as well as posing a threat of flooding, according to the Meteorological Agency. In relation to this, one man went missing after he accidentally fell into a swollen river in Shimane Prefecture.

Source: The Japan Times. (2021, Aug 9). *Tropical Storm Lupit makes second landfall over western Japan.*

Republic of Korea

The impact of a tropical storm provoked inundations in east coast areas.

Intense downpours brought over by the influence of the tropical storm Lupit caused flooding in parts of Gangwon Province and the City of Busan, the

Republic of Korea on 8-9 August 2021. In Gangwon Province, there were 26 houses, seven shops and one road submerged by floodwater, while five passengers were rescued from their vehicle in the flooded underpass. Meanwhile, in Busan City, the coast guard had to conduct a rescue mission for two people trapped in the rising water after they went fishing in the sea. One road in the city was also flooded.

Source: Yonhap News Agency. (2021, Aug 9). *(LEAD) Heavy rains from tropical storm Lupit flood homes, roads on east coast.*

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