



WEEKLY UPDATE ON ASEAN PLUS THREE FOOD SECURITY RELATED INFORMATION

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Cambodia

Receding floods revealed extensive damages to houses and crops in Cambodia. The total of 450 houses in Mong Russei District in Battambang Province, Cambodia were partly damaged as floodwater subsided due to the halt of rainfalls, said the provincial authority on 21 November 2021. The inundations that hit Rokha Kiri, Mong Russei and Phnom Proek Districts also affected 8,400 metres of roads and caused 660 hectares of rice fields to be damaged. In this regard, the authorities were assessing the total cost of the destruction.

Source: Khmer Times. (2021, Nov 22). *Floods affect almost 500 B'bang families.*

Indonesia

Floods and landslides put numerous people in Indonesia through hardships. On 17-23 November 2021, deluges and landfalls triggered by heavy precipitations occurred throughout six provinces of Indonesia including North Sumatra, Central Java, East Java, East Nusa Tenggara, Banten and Aceh. These disasters resulted in more than 30,000 residents experiencing serious impacts and nine persons sustaining injuries. Meanwhile, the natural hazards also affected around 2,000 houses, 1,500 hectares of agriculture

areas and a number of infrastructures. However, no evacuations were carried out during the onset of these circumstances.

Source: AHA Centre. (2021, Nov 17-23). *DISASTER EVENT REPORTS: Indonesia.*

Malaysia

People had to be rescued and evacuated after floods broke out in Malaysia. A temporary relief centre was opened for 31 people in Kubang Pasu District of Kedah State, Malaysia after floods set off by heavy rainfalls struck their homes on 20 November 2021. Similarly, officials rescued 14 people from flash floods occurring in many areas within Kuala Lumpur and Selangor State on 22 November 2021 following hours of downpours. Fortunately, the rescue missions were successful and no one was injured.

Source: New Straits Times. (2021, Nov 22). *Firemen rescue family stranded in metre-deep floodwaters in Ampang;* New Straits Times. (2021, Nov 21). *Flood: 31 evacuated in Kubang Pasu.*

The Philippines

The Philippines saw more activities from Taal volcano in a 24 hour-period. Three phreatomagmatic bursts were observed from Taal volcano in the past 24 hours, according to the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (Phivolcs) on 23 November 2021. The causes were likely to be the fracturing and gas released from magma beneath the Taal Volcano Island. Under the same period, the Phivolcs also recorded 30 volcanic earthquakes driven by the movements or eruptions of magma. Regarding this, the Taal volcano was placed under Alert Level 2 meaning that any hazardous volcanic phenomenon could occur and threaten the vicinity.

Source: Philippine News Agency. (2021, Nov 23). *3 short phreatomagmatic bursts recorded in Taal Volcano.*

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