



# WEEKLY UPDATE ON ASEAN PLUS THREE FOOD SECURITY RELATED INFORMATION

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## Indonesia

**Heavy rains pounded several cities of Indonesia.** Floods caused by heavy overnight rains hit Indonesia's capital Jakarta and satellite cities of Tangerang and Bekasi as of 27 February 2023. Most parts of Jakarta were affected by flooding. Meanwhile, East Jakarta was the hardest-hit area after the Ciliwung River overflowed its bank. Also, around 20 districts in Bekasi city and vicinity areas, and dozens of houses in Tangerang were inundated.

**Sources:** the Jakarta Post. (2023, Feb 27). *Swaths of Greater Jakarta flood.*

## Malaysia

**Non-stop rains interfered flights in Malaysia.** According to the Civil Aviation Authority of Malaysia, two flights from Subang Airport, Malaysia to Singapore were diverted to Johor state due to continuous heavy rains on 28 February 2023. Likewise, the downpour on the same day caused another flight from Kuala Lumpur to Johor

state to turn back. The Malaysian Meteorological Department earlier issued a danger-level continuous rain warning for many districts in Johor state.

**Sources:** New Strait Time. (2023, Feb 28). *Two flights diverted, one turned back following continuous torrential rain.*

## The Philippines

**Davao Del Norte was submerged by flooding.** Widespread flooding occurred in Davao del Norte province of the Philippines due to consecutive torrential rains on 23 February 2023. There were about 29,804 people from 9,951 families in 11 villages of Carmen town evacuating to the safer grounds. Besides, Santo Tomas and Asuncion towns and Panabo city were reported of flooding. The authorities distributed over 40,000 food packs to flood victims in Boston, Cateel and Governor Generoso towns.

**Sources:** Rappler. (2023, Feb 23). *Thousands flee homes as flood hits Davao del Norte again.*

## Japan

**A strong earthquake hit off northern Japan.** On 25 February 2023, a magnitude 6.1 earthquake jolted off the Nemuro peninsula, the eastern part of Japan's northern island of Hokkaido, at a depth of 61 kilometres. The earthquake generated the ground motion in two municipalities with an intensity of lower 5 on the Japanese seismic intensity scale. However, there were neither tsunami warning nor damages reported.

**Sources:** Reuters. (2023, Feb 25). *Earthquake of 6.1 magnitude hits northern Japan, no tsunami warning.*

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