



WEEKLY UPDATE ON ASEAN PLUS THREE FOOD SECURITY RELATED INFORMATION

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Malaysia

A thunderstorm damaged schools and residential units in Malaysia. A thunderstorm brought heavy rains to hit the federal capital, Kuala Lumpur on 19 May 2023. The storm damaged 15 schools and several residential units while many trees were toppled. The Kuala Lumpur Public Works Department (JKR) together with involved agencies actively investigated and assessed the damages in the affected area for further actions.

Source: The Star. (2023, May 21). *Thunderstorm wreaks havoc in KL.*

Myanmar

Cyclone Mocha claimed over a hundred lives in Myanmar. Cyclone Mocha left a massive destruction in western Rakhine State, northwestern Chin State, Sagaing Region, and Magwe Region. There was a report of more than one hundred people killed. Several homes, public infrastructure, and plantations were also destroyed. According to the United Nations (UN), at

least 800,000 people were affected and needed emergency food aid and other assistances. Cyclone Mocha made landfall on Myanmar's west coast in Rakhine State on 14 May 2023 before moving into neighboring states and regions.

Source: The Irrawaddy. (2023, May 23). *Cyclone Mocha and Its Aftermath in Numbers.*

The Philippines

Lightning struck in the Philippines' Bataan province. There was a report of people killed by lightning incident in Samal municipality of Bataan province. Three farm workers were struck by lightning amid heavy rainfalls while they were heading back home. Those affected later were sent to a hospital for a treatment. However, two of them died at the hospital.

Source: Philstar. (2023, May 22). *Lightning kills 2, hurts 1 in Bataan.*

Thailand

A storm collapsed a sports arena in Phichit province of Thailand. On 22 May 2023, a severe storm pounded Sam Ngam district in Phichit province. A large sports arena of Ban Noen Po school was collapsed while students were playing sports. There were report of seven students killed and 18 injured. The storm also brown off several house's roofs in Neon Po sub-district. After the storm subsided, the authorities rushed to the school to oversee the rescue operations.

Source: Bangkok Post. (2023, May 23). *Students killed when storm collapses school sports arena.*

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