



## WEEKLY UPDATE ON NATURAL DISASTERS IN ASEAN PLUS THREE

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### Indonesia

**Natural disasters frightened people in Indonesia.** As of 25 August 2023, eight villages in Ciampel, Telukjambe Barat, Pangkalan, and Tegalwaru districts of Karawang Regency, West Java province have suffered from a clean water shortage caused by prolonged drought as a result of El Nino. The Regional Disaster Mitigation Agency (BPBD) together with other local agencies have mitigated the situation by supplying clean water to the affected-residents. Additionally, a magnitude 7.1 earthquake struck deep in the Java Sea on 29 August 2023 following by powerful 6.1 and 6.5-magnitude aftershocks. The tremors were felt wide and far across Bali and Lombok islands; however, no report of significant damage as a result of the powerful earthquake.

**Sources:** Tempo.co. (2023, Aug 25). *Water Crisis Hits 8 Villages in Karawang Amid Prolonged Dry Season*; The Bali Sun. (2023, Aug 29). *7.1 Magnitude Earthquake Rocks Bali Frightening Tourists In Their Sleep*.

### The Philippines

**Bacolod city of the Philippines was affected by monsoon floods.** Monsoon rains enhanced by typhoon Goring for three consecutive days since 27 August 2023 had caused floods in at least 31 villages of Bacolod city. About 6,781 people were evacuated to 47 relief centres while all levels of school classes were suspended during 29 – 30 August 2023. Meanwhile, some areas of the city experienced 10 feet of floodwaters. Rivers in Banago and Mandalagan villages were overflowed, and the Sum-ag River and several creeks were at critical levels.

**Sources:** Philippine News Agency. (2023, Aug 29). *Floods hit half of Bacolod City*.

### Viet Nam

**Floods severely hit Viet Nam's Bao Loc city.** Heavy rains starting from the night to morning on 26 August 2023 triggered floods in Dai Lao and Loc Chau communes of Bao Loc city inundating many houses and roads. The commune government helped people to move and lift their furniture. Also, prolonged heavy rain caused widespread flooding in the center of Bao Loc city. The city government later mobilised the force in coordination with the police and the army to evacuate 150 households from the landslide risk area, and guide people to travel safely.

**Sources:** Vietnam Posts English. (2023, Aug 26). *Bao Loc city is heavily flooded after heavy rain*.

## **China**

**A mild earthquake struck China's northeastern Liaoning province.**

According to the China Earthquake Networks Center, an earthquake of magnitude 4.6 jolted Dalian city in China's northeastern Liaoning province on 23 August 2023. The quake was logged at a depth of 8 kilometre below the earth's surface. However, there was no report of damages or injuries from this incident.

**Sources:** Reuters. (2023, Aug 23). *Earthquake of magnitude 4.6 strikes China's northeastern Liaoning - CENC.*

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