



## WEEKLY UPDATE ON NATURAL DISASTERS IN ASEAN PLUS THREE

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### Indonesia

**Flash floods hit Indonesia's capital.** Heavy rainfall triggered flash floods across Jakarta, the capital of Indonesia, on 29 February 2024. There were 34 roads inundated with a depth of over 50 centimetres causing a traffic disruption. Meanwhile, residents were evacuated in some areas. The Meteorology, Climatology and Geophysics Agency (BMKG) issued a warning for potential heavy rains across the capital and its satellite cities. The BMKG also continuously monitored weather conditions and advised the public to stay alert.

**Sources:** DT Next. (2024, Feb 29). *Heavy rains trigger flash floods in Indonesia.*

### The Philippines

**Over 70 families were displaced in flood-hit Davao Occidental province.** Flash floods forced about 71 families in the municipality of Santa Maria, Davao Occidental province, the Philippines to flee their homes. On 1 March 2024, heavy rains

caused flash floods in several villages of the municipality while an overflowing river damaged several houses. The Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office distributed food packs to flood-affected people. Further, the easterlies would dump rains in several areas of the Davao region and other parts of Mindanao region according to the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration.

**Sources:** GMA News Online. (2024, Mar 2). *Flash flood displaces up to 71 families in Davao Occidental.*

### Thailand

**A violent storm ravaged Thailand's Loei province.** A severe storm wrought havoc in Loei province on 27 February 2024, especially in Phu Ruea district. The storm injured one person and damaged 32 houses while other significant destructions were found in the district. The local agencies together with community volunteers immediately provided assistance to those affected, and also assessed the damages.

**Sources:** BNN Breaking. (2024, Feb 28). *Devastating storm in Loei province displaces residents, damages 32 homes.*

### Japan

**Avalanches killed two people in Japan.** On 3 March 2024, there were two people confirmed dead after avalanches in Hokkaido, northern Japan. A woman was found dead in Mount Rishiri while one man died in Mount Higashi-Kariba. Yet, other people from their groups were rescued safely. One day earlier, the

avalanches left two people missing in Mount Daisen in Tottori Prefecture, western Japan.

Meanwhile, 10 people were caught in the avalanche in Mount Kazafuki in Otari, Nagano Prefecture. No injuries were reported.

**Sources:** Kyodo News. (2024, Mar 2). *2 missing after avalanche hits western Japan mountain*; Japan Today. (2024, Mar 4). *2 dead in separate avalanches in Hokkaido*.

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