



WEEKLY UPDATE ON NATURAL DISASTERS IN ASEAN PLUS THREE

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Malaysia

Floods forced evacuation of people in Malaysia. Prolonged rains triggered floods in Tuaran district, Sabah state of Malaysia on 3 June 2024. Floodwater continued to rise forcing 12 people to evacuate and shelter at their relatives' homes. The Sabah Fire and Rescue Department assisted those affected. However, no casualties or injuries were reported.

Sources: The Star. (2024, Jun 4). *Villagers evacuated after floods hit Tuaran.*

The Philippines

A volcano erupted on central Philippine Island. Kanlaon Volcano on the island of Negros of the Philippines erupted on 3 June 2024 shooting 3 miles of massive plume of ash into the sky. Meanwhile, 43 volcanic earthquakes were also recorded. The authorities raised the alert level on the volcano to 2 out of 5, and ordered hundreds of villagers living within a 1.8-mile radius of the volcano to evacuate. Besides, over

60 flights were cancelled affecting more than 5,000 passengers.

Sources: CNN. (2024, Jun 4). *Mount Kanlaon volcano erupts sending 3-mile ash plume into the sky.*

Viet Nam

Floods affected various areas of Ho Chi Minh City. Torrential rains accompanied by thunderstorms and lightning rattled Ho Chi Minh City of Viet Nam on 31 May 2024 causing many districts to be severely flooded. The National Center for Hydro-Meteorological Forecasting warned people in the city and other southern provinces of more downpours and thunderstorms influenced by the storm Maliksi in the coming days.

Sources: Tuoi Tre News. (2024, Jun 1). *Downpour lashes Ho Chi Minh City due to storm impact.*

Japan

A strong earthquake hit Japan's Ishikawa Prefecture. An earthquake of magnitude 6.0 struck Ishikawa Prefecture, Japan on 3 June 2024; however, there was no threat of tsunami. The tremors with an intensity of upper 5 on Japan's seismic intensity scale of 7 were felt in the cities of Wajima and Suzu. Meanwhile, Hokuriku Shinkansen and Joetsu Shinkansen bullet train services were reportedly suspended due to a power outage. The services later were resumed in the evening.

Sources: NHK World Japan. (2024, June 3). *M6.0 earthquake hits Ishikawa Pref.*

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