



## WEEKLY UPDATE ON NATURAL DISASTERS IN ASEAN PLUS THREE

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### Indonesia

**Landslide claimed seven lives in Indonesia.** A landslide triggered by heavy rains killed seven people in Mimika Regency, Indonesia's Central Papua province on 14 July 2024. The authority warned the public to stay vigilant and avoid unsafe areas at risk of flooding or landslides. Earlier, heavy rains since 10 July 2024 had caused flood and landslide in north-eastern Indonesia, especially in Maluku Island. There were eight people displaced while 1,950 people were affected. More than 550 houses and three bridges were also damaged. Besides, over 700 people in the neighbouring North Sulawesi province were affected.

**Sources:** Reliefweb. (2024, July 12). *Indonesia - Floods (BNPB, ADINet, BMKG) (ECHO Daily Flash of 11 July 2024)*; Tempo.co. (2024, July 15). *Landslide in Central Papua Kills Seven*.

### The Philippines

**Floods and landslides struck several parts of Northern Mindanao region.** Heavy rains caused by the southwest monsoon

brought floods and landslides to Northern Mindanao region of the Philippines on 12 July 2024. Disaster-affected areas consisted of provinces of Bukidnon, Lanao del Norte, and the city of Iligan, causing red alert to be issued in Valencia city and a preemptive evacuation in some areas. Moreover, some roads were impassable, and several rivers burst their banks. The Office of the Civil Defense-Northern Mindanao in cooperation with local government units later determined the number of affected families and the extent of damages.

**Sources:** GMA Regional TV. (2024, July 13). *Southwest Monsoon triggers floods, landslides in Northern Mindanao*.

### Viet Nam

**Thunderstorms ravaged Ho Chi Minh City.** Thunderstorms with strong winds swept across Ho Chi Minh City and Thu Duc City of Viet Nam on 14 July 2024. A large tree was uprooted while tree branches were broken off and fell onto a car. Besides, a huge school's banner was collapsed, and street barriers were damaged. However, no injuries were reported. The thunderstorms and strong winds were the impact of a low-pressure area.

**Sources:** VN Express. (2024, July 14). *Thunderstorms knock down fences, trees in HCMC*.

### China

**Heavy rains in China left six dead.** Unprecedented heavy rain on 10 July 2024 severely hit Chongqing municipality, southwest China, killing six people, and leaving three others missing. Also, a total of 6,985 people in Dianjiang county were affected, 170 of whom had to evacuate. Raising water of 15 rivers in the

municipality rose to above alert level. The maximum daily precipitation was measured at 254.6 millimetres in Dianjiang County. It was a record high since the county had meteorological records.

**Sources:** Xinhua. (2024, July 11). *1 dead, 3 missing after heavy rainfalls in Chongqing*; Xinhua. (2024, July 11). *Death toll rises to 6 after heavy rainfalls in Chongqing*.

## **Republic of Korea**

**Torrential rains pounded southern regions of South Korea.** Record torrential rainfall starting on 10 July 2024 lashed many areas of South Korea's southern regions. Parts of North Jeolla province experienced 131.7 millimetres of the heaviest hourly downpour on official record nationwide. In the meantime, torrential rain also submerged parts of North and South Chungcheong provinces, and triggered landslides in some counties. Consequently, there were five people reportedly dead and another missing. A total of 3,568 people were temporarily evacuated. Flights at Gimhae International Airport were cancelled or delayed while train services were suspended. Moreover, a total of 391 reports of rain damage had been made across the country.

**Sources:** Yonhap. (2024, July 10). *(6th LD) Record downpour batters North Jeolla, South Chungcheong provinces; at least 5 dead*.

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