



WEEKLY UPDATE ON NATURAL DISASTERS IN ASEAN PLUS THREE

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Indonesia

Mount Lewotobi Laki-Laki in Indonesia erupted, causing 10 deaths. Mount Lewotobi Laki-Laki on Flores Island, Indonesia's East Nusa Tenggara province erupted on 3 November 2024, spewing explosive plumes of lava and killing at least 10 people. Fiery lava and rocks burned damaged many houses. The authorities evacuated residents in nearby villages and raised the status of the volcano to the highest alert level. A state of emergency was also declared for the next 58 days to help provide aid to over 10,000 affected residents. The National Disaster Mitigation Agency later warned of potential flash floods and cold lava flows in the coming days.

Sources: The Jakarta Post. (2024, Nov 4). *Death toll from Mount Lewotobi volcano eruption rises to 10.*

Philippines

The death toll from two powerful storms in the Philippines rose to 139. As of 30 October 2024, about 139 people were killed by the combined effects of severe Tropical Storm Trami and Super Typhoon Kong-Rey,

which unleashed devastation across the Philippines. There were 21 people missing and 86 injured. Meanwhile, 7,033,922 people residing in 17 regions nationwide were affected. Around 111,117 houses in 16 regions were damaged while infrastructure and agriculture were also destroyed.

Sources: Philippine News Agency. (2024, Oct 30). *Deaths from twin cyclones climb to 139: NDRRMC.*

Viet Nam

Typhoon Trami left eight dead in central Viet Nam. There were eight people reportedly dead as of 1 November 2024 due to typhoon Trami and ensuing flooding which swept through central region of Viet Nam. Strong winds and floods destroyed 326 homes. About 1,269 hectares of crops and fruit trees were submerged or damaged while over 1,500 livestock and almost 104,700 poultry were perished. Meanwhile, nearly 1,800 hectares of aquaculture facilities were damaged. Infrastructure and irrigation canals were destroyed, and 145 sections of road were damaged or blocked by landslides. There were five dyke breaches caused by floodwaters. Local authorities continued to assess damages and provide aid to affected people.

Sources: Viet Nam News. (2024, Nov 1). *Death toll from Typhoon Trami, flooding in central region climbs to 8.*

China

Typhoon Trami claimed seven lives in China's Hainan province. Typhoon Trami, the 20th typhoon of the year, brought heavy rains to many parts of Hainan province, China since 28 October 2024, killing seven people and leaving another missing. Over 40,000 people were forced to evacuate. The Ministry of Water Resources issued a Level-

IV emergency response to flooding on 30 October 2024. Qionghai county, one of the worst-hit areas, was also on the highest level of emergency response for flood and wind control a day earlier. The ministry dispatched a working group to guide flood response focusing on evacuating people from high-risk areas.

Sources: Xinhua. (2024, Oct 30). *Typhoon Trami leaves 7 dead, 1 missing in China's Hainan.*

Japan

Japan advised almost 200,000 people to evacuate due to heavy rains. Nearly 200,000 people in western Japan were urged to evacuate on 2 November 2024 after the authorities warned of landslides and floods due to Typhoon Kong-Rey. The city of Matsuyama on Shikoku Island issued the top-level warning, urging 189,552 residents in 10 districts to evacuate for immediate safety measures. Meanwhile, Shinkansen bullet trains between Tokyo and southern Fukuoka region were briefly suspended. Forecasters also warned of landslides and floods that could affect western and eastern Japan.

Sources: CNA. (2024, Nov 2). *Japan urges 200,000 people to evacuate due to heavy rain.*

Republic of Korea

Heaviest November rains in 101 years struck Jeju Island of South Korea. More than 300 millimeters of rainfall hit the southern island of Jeju, South Korea on 1 – 2 November 2024, which was the heaviest November downpour in 101 years for the region. Heavy rains and winds had toppled trees, and flooded several roads and buildings in the island. There were 19 rain-related damage reports filed. The authorities prohibited access to Mount Halla due to

heavy rain while some parts of the island might experience more rain.

Sources: The Korea Times. (2024, Nov 2). *Heaviest November rain in 101 years drenches Jeju.*

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