



WEEKLY UPDATE ON NATURAL DISASTERS IN ASEAN PLUS THREE

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Indonesia

Floods and landslides caused fatalities in Indonesia. Flash flooding and landslides triggered by torrential rains since last week had hit four different districts in North Sumatra province. As of 28 November 2024, 27 people died while two others went missing. Rescuers put their full efforts to search for those missing and clear the roads affected by the landslides. Also, flash floods and landslides damaged houses, mosques, and rice fields. Extreme weather was forecast in Indonesia until the end of 2024 due to the La Nina phenomenon increasing rainfalls across the tropical archipelago.

Sources: The Jakarta Post. (2024, Nov 28). *North Sumatra landslide death toll climbs to 27.*

Malaysia

Deadly Flooding wreaked havoc in Malaysia. Continuous heavy rains brought by the northeast monsoon since last week had caused deadly flooding in many states of Malaysia. Seven people was confirmed dead while there were 94,636 flood victims across the states of Kelantan, Terengganu, Kedah, Pahang, Johor, Perak, Melaka, and Perlis

still stayed at different relief centres as of 3 December 2024. Moreover, the water level in several rivers exceeded the danger level while about 4,300 hectares of rice field in Perlis state were affected by floodwaters. The Malaysian Meteorological Department also warned of a second wave of floods in the east coast of the country due to a monsoon surge from 8 to 14 December 2024.

Sources: Reliefweb. (2024, Nov 28). *Flash Update: No. 01 – Flooding in Malaysia and Southern Thailand – 28 November 2024*; BERNAMA. (2024, Dec 2). *Over 4,000 Hectares Of Padi Fields In Perlis Affected By Floods*; FMT. (2024, Dec 3). *Drop in number of flood victims, death toll unchanged*; FMT. (2024, Dec 3). *MetMalaysia warns of second wave of floods in east coast.*

Philippines

A mild earthquake struck the Philippines' Tarlac province. A magnitude 5.7 earthquake at a depth of 199 kilometres rocked Tarlac province of the Philippines on 28 November 2024. The tremor struck 3 kilometres east of Tarlac City while the intensity III was recorded in Bani municipality in Pangasinan province. The aftershocks were likely to occur but damage was not expected from the earthquake according to the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology.

Sources: Philippine News Agency. (2024, Nov 28). *Magnitude 5.7 quake rocks Tarlac.*

Thailand

Devastating flooding claimed 25 lives in southern Thailand. Days of heavy rain from 23 November triggered severe flood in 10 southern provinces of Thailand namely Chumphon, Surat Thani, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Phatthalung, Trang, Satun, Songkhla, Pattani, Yala, and Narathiwat. The floods claimed 25 lives and affected 664,173 households as of 3 December 2024. Meanwhile, some provinces remained

severely flooded. The authorities were allocating budget for assisting flood-affected people.

Sources: Bangkok Post. (2024, Dec 3). *Severe flooding in South claims 25 lives.*

Japan

A magnitude 6.6 earthquake jolted Japan.

On 26 November 2024, an earthquake with magnitude of 6.6 struck Ishikawa and other central Japan prefectures but no tsunami warning was issued. The quake was measured a lower 5 on the Japanese seismic intensity scale of 7 in Wajima and Shika cities of Ishikawa prefecture where was recovering from a devastating New Year's Day earthquake. There was one person reportedly injured. Besides, bullet trains between Toyama and Kanazawa cities were suspended. The tremor was also observed across wide area from northeastern to western Japan.

Sources: Kyodo News. (2024, Nov 27). *M6.6 quake hits central Japan, no tsunami warning issued.*

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