



# WEEKLY UPDATE ON NATURAL DISASTERS IN ASEAN PLUS THREE

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## Thailand

**Flash floods in Phuket province, Thailand resulted in traffic chaos.** Hours of heavy rains on 14 May 2025 triggered widespread flooding in several key roads of Phuket province of Thailand. Mueang and Kathu districts were the worst-affected areas, impacting popular beachside subdistricts, such as Patong, Chalong, and Rawai. Local officials were deployed to help direct traffic in the flooded areas.

**Source:** The Nation. (2025, May 14). *Several roads in Phuket inundated following heavy rains on Wednesday.*

## Viet Nam

**Torrential rain and landslides in Viet Nam left at least nine dead.** Following prolonged heavy rains and landslides, at least nine people were confirmed dead and seven others were injured in northern Viet Nam as of 19 May 2025. Widespread damages to homes, infrastructure, crops, and livestock were reported. One day earlier, a landslide occurred along the Hau River in the Mekong Delta province of An Giang, collapsing ten houses into the river.

However, no fatalities or injuries were reported.

**Source:** Viet Nam News. (2025, May 18). *Landslide displaces ten houses in An Giang;* Viet Nam News. (2025, May 19). *At least nine dead as heavy rain, landslides batter northern provinces.*

## China

**Landslide in China caused fatalities.** A landslide triggered by heavy rains hit a building in Gaozhou city, south China's Guangdong province on 18 May 2025. Three people died and another person was reported missing. Search and rescue efforts were underway to find the missing person. According to Gaozhou's Emergency Management Bureau, the landslide occurred about 20 metres behind the building.

**Source:** Xinhua. (2025, May 19). *3 dead, 1 missing after rain-triggered landslide in south China.*

## Republic of Korea

**Heavy rains rattled Seoul, South Korea.** Intense rainfall on 16 May 2025 affected many areas of Seoul, South Korea, triggering the year's first emergency text message warning of possible damage from torrential rain, which was sent to residents in parts of the region. A total of 25 streams in Seoul were closed and traffic congestion was reported on major roads. More rain was forecast for much of the country.

**Source:** Yonhap News Agency. (2025, May 16). *(LEAD) Heavy rain hits Seoul area, triggers year's 1st emergency text alert.*

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