



WEEKLY UPDATE ON NATURAL DISASTERS IN ASEAN PLUS THREE

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Indonesia

A volcano eruption in Indonesia disrupted many flights. Mount Lewotobi Laki-laki in East Nusa Tenggara province, Indonesia erupted on 17 June 2025. The volcano spewed ash 11 kilometres into the sky, prompting the country's volcanology agency to raise the alert level to the highest. It erupted again on 18 June 2025. As the result, many international flights to Bali were canceled or delayed. Residents in two nearby villages were evacuated while tremors were detected. The geology agency warned residents and tourists to avoid any activities within at least seven kilometres of the volcano's crater.

Source: The Jakarta Post. (2025, June 18). *Many flights to Bali cancelled after East Nusa Tenggara volcano eruption.*

Philippines

A strong earthquake struck off southern Philippines. A magnitude 6.3 earthquake hit offshore, east of Baganga, in Philippines' Davao Oriental province on 24 June 2025. The epicenter was located 341 kilometres east of Baganga at a depth of

34 kilometres. Although no tsunami alert was issued, aftershocks were possible.

Source: The Philippine News Agency. (2025, June 24). *Magnitude 6.3 quake hits offshore DavOr; no tsunami threat.*

Thailand

Heavy rain submerged a main road in an eastern province of Thailand. Hours of heavy rainfall rattled Trat province in eastern Thailand, causing a main road linking a ferry pier and the airport to become inundated. The flooding was worsened by runoff from Khao Rakam mountain and another nearby mountain. Floodwaters, around 30–40 centimetres deep, rendered the road impassable for small cars and motorcycles. Traffic was also disrupted by the strong current of the runoff. Later, the floodwaters gradually receded.

Source: The Nation. (2025, June 22). *Trat's main road flooded after three hours of heavy rain.*

Viet Nam

Severe flooding wreaked havoc in Viet Nam. Downpours from 20 to 23 June 2025 triggered destructive floods and landslides in the northern region of Viet Nam. One person in Bac Kan province was killed by a landslide while 112 houses were damaged. A total of 399 households, and over 1,432 hectares of crops were inundated. Local authorities in the northern provinces implemented the disaster prevention measures in response to severe weather conditions

Source: Viet Nam News. (2025, June 23). *Heavy rain causes severe flooding, damage in northern provinces.*

China

Extreme weather disrupted over 700,000 people across China. As of 18 June 2025, continuous heavy rainfall, caused by Typhoon Wutip, an upper-level trough and monsoon rains, affected about 300,000 residents in Huaiji County, southern China's Guangdong province. A total of 15 people were injured, and around 70,000 were forced to relocate. The storm also damaged roads, croplands, and levees. On the same day, torrential rains swept through northern and northwestern Hunan province. As of 21 June 2025, over 400,000 people were reportedly affected. Additionally, more than 400 students and 30 teachers were evacuated from a school in Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region on 23 June 2025 due to intense flooding. Meanwhile, a sudden mountain flood left four people missing in northwest China's Gansu province. Local authorities were swiftly mobilised to search for the missing and evacuate residents.

Source: Xinhua. (2025, June 18). *70,000 relocated as rain-triggered floods hit south China county*; Xinhua. (2025, June 21). *Heavy rainfall affects over 400,000 in central China's Hunan*; Xinhua. (2025, June 23). *Floods force over 400 students to evacuate ahead of major exam in south China*; Xinhua. (2025, June 24). *4 missing following flood in northwest China*.

Japan

More than 200 earthquakes struck Japan. A series of earthquakes jolted the seas near the Tokara Islands in Kagoshima prefecture, Japan, starting on 21 June 2025. As of 23 June 2025, over 200 earthquakes were recorded with the strongest quake reaching magnitude 5.2. No tsunami was reported. The Meteorological Agency urged residents on the Tokara Islands, especially

Akuseki, Kodakara, and nearby Takara Island to remain on alert.

Source: The Japan Times. (2025, June 23). *Over 200 earthquakes have shaken Tokara islands since Saturday*.

Republic of Korea

Torrential rain struck South Korea. On 20 June 2025, heavy monsoon rain affected central and southern regions as well as Jeju Island of South Korea. The capital area, northern inland Gangwon and parts of South Chungcheong province were under heavy rain warning. Meanwhile, a total of 55 passenger ferries in North and South Jeolla provinces were suspended. No casualties or property damage were reported.

Source: Yonhap News Agency. (2025, June 20). (LEAD) *Heavy monsoon rain hits most regions; 55 ferries canceled*.

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