



WEEKLY UPDATE ON NATURAL DISASTERS IN ASEAN PLUS THREE

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Indonesia

Indonesia's Mount Anak Krakatau eruption halted flights and school activities

As of 4 September 2026, Mount Anak Krakatau in Indonesia erupted, spewing rocks and sending ash plumes up to 15,000 metres high on the Sumatra side and 6,000 metres on the Java side. A series of eruptions continued the following day. Volcanic ash detected at Jakarta's main airports two day after disrupted air travel, affecting 1,558 flights across eight airports and leaving around 170,000 passengers stranded. Meanwhile, some school activities and fishing trips were cancelled due to eye irritation caused by the ash. The disaster mitigation agency reported no imminent risk of tsunami from the volcano.

Source: Anadolu Ajansi. (2026, September 5). *Indonesia's Mt. Anak Krakatau erupts, spews rocks, volcanic ash*. BBC. (2026, September 6). *Volcano eruption leaves 170,000 passengers stranded in Indonesia*. CNN. (2026, September 6). *Indonesia's volcanic eruption halts flights, schools, fishing*.

Myanmar

Flooding across Myanmar left five dead and displaced thousands

A total of 31,874 people from 6,997 households across 17 villages in Kyaikmaraw township, southern Myanmar's Mon state, were affected by severe flooding caused by continuous rains from 20 August 2026 according to the report on the township's administrative body on 2 September 2026. In response, authorities established two shelters to evacuate more than 370 people, distributing basic food and drinking water. Meanwhile, days of heavy rain caused the Myittha River and local creeks to overflow, submerging low-lying wards and surrounding villages. The floods battered Sagaing Region's Kale Township on 8 September 2026, killing at least five people and displacing over 1,000 residents, who took temporary shelter in local schools as authorities assessed damage to homes and farmland.

Source: Xinhua. (2026, September 2). *Over 31,000 people affected by flooding in Myanmar's Mon state*. Burma News International. (2026, September 8). *At Least Five Dead, Including Two Children, as Severe Flooding Hits Myanmar's Kale Township*.

Thailand

Heavy rain and monsoon triggered flooding in several parts of Thailand

Heavy rain upstream caused the Mae Sai River in Chaing Rai Province, Thailand, to rise steadily on 7 September 2026. Provincial official issued an emergency mobile alert for residents to closely monitor the risk of river overflow, while advising people to move belongings to higher ground and take particular care of vulnerable individuals. Furthermore, the monsoon triggered heavy rain across several provinces. Thailand was forecasted to face widespread heavy rain and downpours during 8-13 September, beginning in the Northeast before spreading to other regions. Authorities urged residents to prepare for flash floods and rapid run-off.

Source: The Nation. (2026, September 7). *Chiang Rai flood alert after Mae Sai River reaches bridge underside*.

The Nation. (2026, September 8). *Thailand faces heavy rain and flood risk until September 13.*

P.R. China

Typhoon Saudel hit eastern P.R. China, forcing mass evacuations

As of 2 September 2026, Typhoon Saudel lashed eastern P.R. China, triggering severe floods in Wenzhou, Zhejiang, that trapped 2,500 teachers and students in a school, prompting authorities to deploy drones to airlift essential supplies. As the storm struck Fujian the following day, officials evacuated over 600,000 residents, suspended 24 passenger ferry routes, and closed schools in Fuzhou and Quanzhou. Torrential rains also triggered mudslide in Jiangxi's Suichuan County on 5 September, damaging a dozen houses. Emergency teams launched search and rescue operations and relocated more than 5,300 people to safe grounds as the death toll reached five in the following day, three in Jiangxi across Jiangxi and Hunan provinces, with nine others remained missing.

Source: Reuters. (2026, September 3). *Chinese students marooned in floods unleashed by Typhoon Saudel's rains.* Khmer Times. (2026, September 4). *Typhoon Saudel slams China, stalling Fujian ferries.* ABC News. (2026, September 6). *Mudslide death toll in China rises to 3 after heavy rain from Typhoon Saudel.* The Guardian. (2026, September 7). *Weather tracker: Typhoon Saudel causes mass evacuations in south-east China.*

Japan

Heavy rain lashed Japan, leaving one dead and prompting landslide alerts

Torrential rains battered eastern Japan, including Tokyo, Kanagawa, and Chiba prefectures, on 7 September 2026. The downpours forced school closures and train service cancellations, while prompting authorities to issue the highest-level landslide warning for Tokyo's Oshima Town, Niiijima Village, and Toshima Village in the Izu Islands. In Fukushima Prefecture,

floodwaters inundated roads and left two vehicles submerged in Iwaki, where one rescued driver was later confirmed dead. In response, officials urged residents to stay in safe places, move to higher floors, and prepare for immediate relocation from high-risk areas if necessary.

Source: NHK World. (2026, September 7). *Level 5 Emergency Warning for landslides in Izu Islands.* The Japan Times. (2026, September 7). *Heavy rain lashes Tokyo and surrounding prefectures.*

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