



## WEEKLY UPDATE ON ASEAN PLUS THREE FOOD SECURITY RELATED INFORMATION

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### Indonesia

**Mount Merapi erupted twice on 21 June 2020.** According to the Yogyakarta Geological Disaster Technology Research and Development Center (BPPTKG), the volcano emitted hot clouds at a height of 6,000 metres into the sky.

The first eruption lasted about 5 minutes whilst the second eruption lasted around 2 minutes.

Although the BPPTKG did not raise the volcano's alert, it advised residents who live nearby the volcano to be on alert for volcanic ash and possible lava flow, especially when rain falls around the volcano's peak.

**Source:** The Jakarta Post. (2020, Jun 21). *Mount Merapi erupts twice, officials advise residents to be on alert.*

### Malaysia

**Unexpected floods were reported in Johor State on 21 June 2020.** Flooding affected five districts in Johor State namely Pontian, Batu Pahat, Muar, Kluang, and Tangkak after the downpour during 24 hours.

A total of 1,210 people evacuated to 18 relief centres. The worst hit area was Pontian district where 349 residents were forced to leave their homes.

The Sultan of Johor advised people living in low-lying areas and near rivers to remain cautious.

**Source:** Floodlist. (2020, Jun 21). *Malaysia – 1,000 Evacuate Flooded Homes in Johor*; Malaymail. (2020, Jun 22). *Johor Sultan urges vigilance after flash floods in state.*

### Viet Nam

**On 20 June 2020, a landslide occurred in Can Tho city.** According to the Steering Committee for Disaster Prevention and Search and Rescue of Can Tho city, a landslide happened along the riverbank of Tra Noc river in Binh Thuy district damaging 13 houses in the area. Fortunately, there was no fatality reported.

The officers of the Irrigation Sub-Department went to the area to survey the damage and provide assistance to affected residents.

In the meantime, the city's steering committee for disaster prevention and search and rescue also worked together with the local authorities to find a solution to ensure safety for locals.

**Source:** Viet Nam News. (2020, Jun 22). *Landslides threatens Cần Thơ residents.*

### China

**Heavy downpour lashed widespread areas of southwest China.** Local authorities of Sichuan Province reported that one person died and at least three people remained missing after heavy rainfall battered Sichuan Province from 16 June 2020. Moreover, houses, roads and crops were damaged. Rescue and relief efforts were underway.

Meanwhile, Guizhou Province was hit by torrential rains causing three people to die and more than 10,000 people to evacuate. Authorities rendered the victims by providing relief funds.

**Source:** Xinhua. (2019, Jun 18). *1 dead, 3 missing as heavy rainfall batters China's Sichuan*; Xinhua. (2019, Jun 23). *3 killed as downpours hit China's Guizhou*.

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