



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

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### Cambodia

**Rain-induced flash floods kept on affecting provinces in Cambodia.** The torrential rainfalls led to persistent flooding in the provinces of Banteay Meanchey and Battambang, Cambodia. Meanwhile, the water level in Stung Sen River in Preah Vihear Province had surpassed a danger mark causing at least three houses to be flooded, as reported on 27 September 2021. The worse flooding situation could be seen in Banteay Meanchey Province where, as of 26 September 2021, 6,686 families were severely affected and 736 had to evacuate from their homes. Floods also caused more than 25,509 hectares of agricultural fields, mostly rice, to be submerged or damaged.

**Source:** Khmer Times. (2021, Sep 27). *Flooding continues to affect provinces and rice fields*; Khmer Times. (2021, Sep 27). *Floods affect more than 6,000 families in Banteay Meanchey province.*

### Indonesia

**Fatal rain-related hazards generated miseries and destructions across Indonesia.** During 22-27 September 2021, there were seven provinces of Indonesia including North Sulawesi, South Sulawesi, Gorontalo, Riau, West Nusa Tenggara, North Sumatra and South Sumatra encountering widespread inundations,

landslides and windstorms triggered by high-intensity torrential downpours. As a result, one person was killed and another was injured due to a strong wind in West Nusa Tenggara Province. These natural calamities affected 16,899 people and displaced 271. In regard to this, there were 6,122 houses were affected with 221 houses sustaining partial damages and 45 suffering total destruction.

**Source:** AHA Centre. (2021, Sep 22-28). *DISASTER EVENT REPORTS: Indonesia.*

### Malaysia

**Hundreds of residents in two states of Malaysia had to leave their homes due to floods.** There was a report on severe floods in Kuala Kangsar District of Perak State, and Baling and Sik Districts of Kedah State in Malaysia on 27 September 2021. The floodwater consequently drove 262 residents including 179 in Perak State and 83 in Kedah State out of their homes and took shelters at 10 evacuation centres established in those areas. Fortunately, there were no reports of casualties.

**Source:** ReliefWeb. (2021, Sep 29). *Malaysia, Flooding in Kuala Kangsar (Perak), Baling and Sik (Kedah) (27 Sep 2021).*

### The Philippines

**Damages and aftershocks were expected after a strong tectonic quake jolted the Philippines.** A powerful 5.7 magnitude earthquake struck Occidental Mindoro Province in the Philippines on 27 September 2021, sending strong tremors to several parts of Luzon Island. The center of the quake was located 23 kilometres northeast of the municipality of Looc, Occidental Mindoro Province with a depth of 76 kilometres. According to the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology, property damages and multiple aftershocks were expected. Regarding this, there was an aftershock with magnitude 4.5 striking the province just around 30 minutes after the main quake.

**Source:** Philippine News Agency. (2021, Sep 27). *Magnitude 5.7 quake jolts Occidental Mindoro.*

## **Thailand**

**Tens of thousands struggled through massive floods in Thailand.** Large-scale floods had broken out in 30 provinces of Thailand. There were 23 provinces declaring disaster zones, as the country had seen an immense amount of rainfall dumped by tropical storm Dianmu since 23 September 2021. As of 28 September 2021, six people were killed and two others were missing. The disasters also heavily affected 58,977 households with the majority of them located in three of the worst-hit provinces including Sukhothai, Lopburi and Chaiyaphum. According to the Meteorological Department, more rainfalls were forecast to continue drenching the entire country, including Bangkok.

**Source:** Bangkok Post. (2021, Sep 28). *Flooding in 30 provinces, 6 dead*; Floodlist. (2021, Sep 27). *Thailand – Tropical Storm Dianmu Brings Flooding to North and Central Regions.*

## **Viet Nam**

**Prolonged downpours left hundreds of houses submerged in Viet Nam.** As reported on 27 September 2021, three days of intense rainfalls triggered serious inundations in the province of Nghệ An, Viet Nam causing one person to go missing. Meanwhile, almost 700 houses, more than 747 hectares of rice and 5,390 poultry were destroyed or killed. Landslides and erosions also impaired many roads in the province, resulting in traffic disruption. At the same time, 31 houses and other buildings in Hà Tĩnh Province were also damaged by rainstorms. Further precipitations were likely to continue in several regions of the country, prompting authorities to warn people to be vigilant of the possible flooding and landslides.

**Source:** Viet Nam News. (2021, Sep 27). *North and central regions hit by more heavy rains and flooding.*

## **China**

**Multiple casualties incurred after a deadly mudslide slammed China's province.** A fatal mudslide triggered by heavy rains took place at a construction site in Tianquan County of southwest China's Sichuan Province on the morning of 26 September 2021. The fallen soil buried a total of 17 people, of whom 10 had been discovered. Among them, seven were killed, two sustained minor injuries and one was rescued unharmed. The remaining seven people were still missing with rescue efforts underway.

**Source:** Xinhua. (2021, Sep 27). *Seven killed, seven missing after mudslide hits China's Sichuan.*

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