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Indonesia

In Indonesia, two people died as a result of flash floods caused by heavy rains. Floods struck two provinces of Indonesia namely South Sumatra and Riau on 25 December 2021 after the past few days of heavy downpours triggered several rivers to overtop their banks. In South Sumatra province, flooding killed two people in Palembang city but did not force anyone to evacuate as the floodwater later receded on the same day, according to the Palembang Disaster Mitigation Agency. A landslide caused by the torrential rain in neighboring Lahat Regency on 24 December 2021 also cut off a main access road to the city. In Riau province, floods affected a total of 1,439 people in Rokan Hulu Regency and drove some of them to flee their homes.

Source: Jakarta Post. (2021, Dec 27). *Flood kills two as extreme weather strikes parts of Sumatra.*

Malaysia

Flood casualties increased in Malaysia while the number of evacuees decreased. As of 27 December 2021, the death toll from the massive flooding in Malaysia sharply increased to 48. Most of the fatalities were found in Selangor state with 25 deaths followed by 20 deaths in

Pahang and three deaths in Kelantan states. There were five people still missing. In the meantime, the number of evacuees in five affected states including Pahang, Selangor, Kelantan, Negri Sembilan and Melaka declined from 16,281 to 11,306 on 28 December 2021. All the displaced victims were housed in 98 relief centres with the majority being in Pahang state.

Source: Malay Mail. (2021, Dec 28). *Number of flood evacuees drops to 11,306 in Pahang, Selangor, Kelantan, N. Sembilan and Melaka;* New Straits Times. (2021, Dec 27). *Floods: Death toll at 48, five still missing.*

The Philippines

Super Typhoon Rai caused more casualties and damages in various areas of the Philippines. According to the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) on 28 December 2021, the number of reported deaths from the onslaught of typhoon Rai, locally known as Odette, in the Philippines raised to 397, while 83 people were missing and 1,147 people were injured. Regarding this, only 59 deaths, eight missing, and 74 injuries had been confirmed. Also, the NDRRMC reported that a total of 1,082,910 families in 11 regions of the country were affected, some of them were evacuated to 1,201 evacuation centres or stayed with their relatives and friends. As per the destruction, damaged houses were stood at 508,785 with 341,368 as partially damaged and 167,417 as totally damaged.

Source: Philippine News Agency. (2021, Dec 28). *'Odette' death toll now 397; displaced families top 1.08M.*

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