



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

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### Indonesia

**Heavy rains triggered floods and landslides in many provinces of Indonesia.** Floods and landslides caused by heavy downpours occurred in six provinces of Indonesia during 20-22 May 2022. There were reports of four people died and five displaced in Bogor regency in West Java province. Meanwhile, around 2,500 homes were damaged and 12,000 residents were affected in Kendal and Pemalang regencies in Central Java province. Flooding and tornado also affected around 45,000 people and inflicted damage on 11,442 homes in North Sumatra province. Elsewhere, floods swept across the areas of Murung Raya and North Barito regencies, Central Kalimantan province; Malinau regency, North Kalimantan province; and Gorontalo city, Gorontalo province. At least 997 houses sustained damages while around 5,105 people suffered from this disaster.

**Source:** Floodlist. (2022, May 23). *Indonesia – Floods and Landslides Leave 4 Dead, Thousands Affected.*

### Malaysia

**Many people fled their homes due to flooding in Sabah.** According to the Sabah State Disaster Management Committee, floods resulting from two days

of rain inundated 17 villages in Sipitang, Sabah state, Malaysia on 21 May 2022. A total of 32 flood victims from 11 households were evacuated to a relief centre at Mesapol Mini Hall. Torrential rains also raised the water levels and caused overflows in Sungai Mengalong and Sungai Lukutan. Besides, six roads in the affected areas became impassable to small vehicles.

**Source:** Malay Mail. (2022, May 22). *Floods strike 17 Sipitang villages in Sabah, 32 evacuated.*

### Myanmar

**Continuous rains forced IDP camps along Thaungyin River to evacuate.** The rapidly rising water level in Thaungyin river led to an evacuation of the internally displaced people (IDP) camps in Hpalulay, Rathegu and other villages located in Myawaddy district, Karen state, Myanmar on 21 May 2021. The downpour brought by the tropical cyclone had been continually falling in the areas since 20 May 2022, causing damage to temporary tents in IDP camps as well as landslides and food shortages. The evacuees were relocated to the nearest safe places but an assistance of food and accommodation was still needed.

**Source:** Mizzima News. (2022, May 25). *Thaungyin River IDP camps evacuated due to floods and landslides.*

### Thailand

**Widespread areas of Thailand experienced severe inundation.** Flooding following heavy rains influenced by the northwestern monsoon as well as low-pressure cells was found in seven provinces of Thailand comprising Chiang Mai, Chiang Rai, Lamphun, Tak, Lampang, Mae Hong Son and Kancharaburi, as reported on 23 May 2022. According to the Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation, 237 households were affected. Widespread damage caused by the worst flood in 50 years was also witnessed in Chom Thong district of Chiang Mai. As large volumes of water were flowing downstream, the

Royal Irrigation Department issued flood warnings on seven provinces in Chao Phraya basin including Chai Nat, Uthai Thani, Sing Buri, Ang Thong, Suphan Buri, Ayutthaya and Lop Buri and asked them to closely monitor the water situation for swiftly informing people of the possible inundation.

**Source:** Bangkok Post. (2022, May 23). *Alert for Chao Phraya basin.*

## **Viet Nam**

**Deluges and landslides left three dead in Viet Nam.** A low-pressure area had triggered heavy rains in the northern region of Viet Nam since 19 May 2022. Landslides and flash floods killed three people in the provinces of Tuyen Quang and Hoa Binh, according to the National Steering Committee on Natural Disaster Prevention and Control on 24 May 2022. Meanwhile, the natural hazards destroyed 260 houses in the many highlands such as Tuyen Quang, Yen Bai and Ha Giang. There were also 9,500 hectares of rice fields and 65 hectares of aquaculture damaged while 900 heads of cattle and poultry were killed. At the same time, the transportation on four national highways and five provincial roads in Dien Bien, Tuyen Quang, Lai Chau and Lao Cai was interrupted by the fallen soil and rock. Regarding this, widespread rainfall was forecast to subside from 25 May 2022 but some would still continue in the northern mountainous areas for a few more days.

**Source:** VnExpress. (2022, May 24). *Downpours kill three in northern Vietnam.*

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