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Cambodia

Rainstorms damaged several houses in Pursat province. Heavy rains and strong winds struck Kandeang and Bakan districts of Pursat province, Cambodia on 8 June 2022. Almost 30 houses were destroyed while farming equipment and properties were also damaged. However, no injuries or casualties were reported. The authorities urged the public to stay vigilant against the storm.

Source: Khmer Times. (2022, June 9). Heavy rainfall and strong winds hit Pursat, homes damaged.

Indonesia

A 5.8-magnitude earthquake forced thousands of people to leave their homes. According to the Meteorology, Climatology, and Geophysics Agency (BMKG), an earthquake of magnitude 5.8 struck in the sea around 26 kilometres from Mamuju city West Sulawesi province, Indonesia at a depth of 10 kilometres on 8 June 2022. The quake caused thousands of people to flee from their homes to higher ground. Yet, the West Sulawesi Provincial Disaster Mitigation Agency (BPBD) had not issued an official statement on the impact of the earthquake. The officials of BPBD's Mamuju district were dispatched to assist the affected people.

Source: Antara. (2022, June 8). Thousands flee homes after 5.8-magnitude quake strikes Mamuju.

The Philippines

Restive Mount Bulusan erupted again.

Another phreatic eruption took place at Mount Bulusan located in Sorsogon province, the Philippines on 12 June 2022. The Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (PHIVOLCS) recorded 136 volcanic earthquakes generated by Mount Bulusan in the past 24 hours. Many villages in Casiguran and Juban towns, especially the villages of Bacolod and Rangas, suffered from heavy ashfall. Besides, local government units and the public were reminded to stay out of 4-kilometer radius Permanent Danger Zone (PDZ). People were advised to be vigilant against sediment-laden stream flows and mudflows in the event of heavy and prolonged rainfall in case a phreatic eruption occur while pilots were advised to avoid flying close to the volcano. The Alert Level 1 status remains over Mount Bulusan.

Source: Philippine News Agency. (2022, June 12). Another phreatic eruption recorded on Mount Bulusan.

China

Heavy rains caused casualties and extensive sufferings in China. Since early June 2022, over 1.44 million people in south China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region had encountered torrential rains and rain-induced disasters. Four rounds of heavy rains had ravaged 103 counties, damaging 51,800 hectares of cropland. Meanwhile, landslides triggered by rainfalls killed seven people and left one person missing in Beiliu city on 9 June 2022. The authorities provided relief items including tents, folding beds, quilts, bottled water and food to assist the affected people. The rainstorm situation in Guangxi was forecast to worsen again from 12 June 2022. Likewise, torrential rainfalls and inundations had continued to affect more than 1.1 million people in east China's Jiangxi province since 28 May 2022. Around 83,000 people were forced to

evacuate from their homes. The destructive disasters generated a direct economic loss of about USD 400 million from damaged houses and farmlands. Furthermore, the new round of heavy downpours on 12 June 2022 brought miseries to over 80,000 people and destroyed 4,200 hectares of crops while a total of 6,990 people were evacuated to safer areas.

Source: Xinhua. (2022, June 9). *Rain-triggered landslides kill 7 in China's Guangxi*; Xinhua. (2022, June 11). *Heavy rain, floods affect 1.1 mln in China's Jiangxi*; Xinhua. (2022, June 12). *Heavy rains affect over 1.4 mln in China's Guangxi*; Xinhua. (2022, June 14). *Heavy rains affect over 80,000 in China's Jiangxi*;

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