



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

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### Indonesia

**A strong earthquake killed hundreds of people in Indonesia's West Java.** A powerful earthquake with magnitude of 5.6 battered Cianjur regency of Indonesia's West Java on 21 November 2022 damaging more than 2,200 houses. As of 22 November 2022, the death toll climbed to 268 while over 1,000 people were injured, and 58,000 had to flee their houses. The landslides and damaged roads obstructed the rescuers to get in the affected areas. President Joko Widodo later visited the quake-hit zone and inspected the earthquake damages. According to the Meteorological, Climatological and Geophysical Agency, such earthquake occurs roughly every two decades in the area due to the presence of Cimandiri fault line.

**Sources:** Reuters. (2022, Nov 21). *Indonesia quake kills over 160, search for survivors continues*; Benarnews. (2022, Nov 22). *Death toll from Indonesia quake soars past 250; scores more still missing*.

### Malaysia

**Flood victims in six states of Malaysia rose to over 2,000.** According to the National Disaster Management Agency (NADMA), floods hit six states of Malaysia namely Penang, Perak, Selangor, Melaka, Johor, and Kelantan on 13 November 2022. A number of flood-affected people rapidly increase from 1,359 to 2,388 within 24 hours and they had to shelter in 25 relief centres. The Drainage and Irrigation Department issued a warning of possible flash floods in Terangganu, Selangor, Penang, Perak, Kedah, Johor, Pahang, and Kuala Lumpur Capital. Meanwhile, the water of three rivers, namely Long Jegan in Sarawak State, Rantau Panjang in Kelantan State, and Sungai Melaka in Melaka City, was at the danger level. The authority also warned the residents to stay alert to possible flash floods.

**Sources:** Malaymail. (2022, Nov 13). *Six States hit by floods, number of evacuees up in 24 hours*.

### The Philippines

**Davao region was inundated by flash floods.** Heavy rain influenced by the intertropical convergence zone since 16 November 2022 triggered flash floods in parts of Sarangani municipality, General Santos city, and parts of Davao region. Thousands of residents were affected while several areas were submerged. Classes in municipalities of Sulop, Kiblawan, and Malalag of Davao del Sur province were suspended. People living nearby the Malalag River and other tributaries were evacuated.

Besides, the highways of Davao – General Santos, Buhangin – Malita, and Santa Maria - Malita were blocked due to floods and landslides as of 17 November 2022. Flooding was also reported in municipalities of Santa Maria, Malita, Don Marcelino and Jose Abad Santos in Davao Occidental province. Military and police personnel together with volunteers were deployed to help those affected.

**Sources:** Philstar. (2022, Nov 18). *Flashfloods hit Sarangani, Gensan, Davao province*; Philstar. (2022, Nov 19). *Davao Occidental town under state of calamity*.

## **China**

**China's Yunnan Province was shaken by a moderate earthquake.** According to the China Earthquake Networks Center (CENC), a 5.0-magnitude earthquake struck Honghe Country in Honghe Hani and Yi Autonomous Prefecture, southwest China's Yunnan Province at a depth of 8 kilometres on 19 November 2022. Several houses, and electric transmission lines were damaged, however there was no report of injury or casualty. The Yunnan Provincial Seismological Bureau later launched an emergency response to the quake-affected area while local authorities dispatched fire and rescue forces to the area for rescue and relief operations. Moreover, Yuanjiang, and Luchun countries were also affected by the earthquake.

**Sources:** Xinhua. (2022, Nov 19). *5.0-magnitude quake hits Yunnan in SW China*.

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