



WEEKLY UPDATE ON NATURAL DISASTERS IN ASEAN PLUS THREE

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Philippines

Strong earthquake claimed over 60 lives in the Philippines. A powerful 6.9-magnitude earthquake struck west of Palompon and near the city of Bogu in Cebu province, in the central Philippines late at night on 30 September 2025, killing more than 60 people and injuring over 150. The quakes also damaged schools and churches, and triggered temporary power outages. Several aftershocks were recorded near the epicentre in the hours following the initial tremor, while tsunami alerts for Leyte, Biliran and Cebu provinces were lifted early the next morning.

Source: CNN. (2025, Oct 1). *6.9 magnitude earthquake kills more than 60 in central Philippines.*

Thailand

Storm Bualoi brought severe flooding in many provinces of Thailand. As of 30 September 2025, tropical depression Bualoi was downgraded to an active low-pressure system. It was expected to strengthen the strong monsoon over northern Thailand while moderate to rather strong southwest monsoon prevailed over the Andaman Sea, the South, Central region, the East and the Gulf of Thailand. Torrential rain was expected nationwide, with accumulated rainfall likely to cause

flash floods and river overflows, especially near foothills and low-lying areas. The storm had already triggered widespread flooding affecting 269,351 people in 17 provinces, with seven confirmed deaths as of 29 September 2025. Several houses and bridges were damaged and became impassible. Local authorities quickly provided disaster reliefs to those affected and closely monitored the situation.

Source: The Nation. (2025, Sep 30). *Tropical low-pressure system and monsoon trigger heavy rain and flash floods in northern Thailand*; The Nation. (2025, Sep 29). *Storm Bualoi leaves 17 provinces flooded, 269,351 affected, 7 dead.*

Viet Nam

Typhoon Bualoi relentlessly lashed Viet Nam. Typhoon Bualoi triggered severe flooding and landslides in Viet Nam. Death toll rose to 27, with 21 people still missing and 112 others injured across 17 northern and central provinces as of 30 September 2025. More than 158,000 houses and 26,600 hectares of rice and other crops were submerged. Widespread power outages, road blockages, and embankment collapses were also reported. Flight operations in both the Ha Noi and Ho Chi Minh City Flight Information Regions (FIRs) were disrupted between 26–29 September 2025, leading to several flights rerouting or cancellation although four airports in the central region reopened after one day of closure.

Source: Xinhua. (2025, Sep 30). *Typhoon Bualoi leaves 27 dead, 21 missing in Vietnam*; Vietnam News. (2025, Sep 30). *Several flights affected by harsh weather conditions in aftermath of typhoon Bualoi.*

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