



WEEKLY UPDATE ON NATURAL DISASTERS IN ASEAN PLUS THREE

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Indonesia

Indonesia suffered from a series of natural disaster. On 12 November 2025, a 5.1-magnitude earthquake struck Papua Island in eastern Indonesia, but no damage or casualties were reported. The next day, a landslide occurred in Majenang District, Cilacap Regency, Central Java, resulting in 13 deaths, nine injuries, 10 people missing, and 106 displaced. Further, there were reports of sixteen houses destroyed, and an additional 46 individuals affected. Local authorities were deployed to assist residents, and evacuation centres were established. Cilacap Regency declared a 30-day state of emergency for floods and landslides. On 18 November 2025, Mount Semeru erupted in Lumajang District and Malang District in East Java, with the ash column reaching 800 metres above its summit. The volcano's alert level remained at Level II, and residents were advised to stay away and remain alert.

Source: Gulf Times. (2025, Nov 12). *5.1-magnitude earthquake strikes Eastern Indonesia*; ReliefWeb. (2025, Nov 17). *Indonesia-Landslide, update (BNPB, ADINet, BMKG)(ECHO Daily Flash of 17 November 2025)-Indonesia*; Antaranews. (2025, Nov 18). *Mount Semeru erupts, ash column reaches 800 meters*.

Thailand

Thailand warned of cold weather and flash floods. On 18 November 2025, the Thai Meteorological Department (TMD) announced a warning of cool to cold weather with strong winds in the upper regions from 19 to 20 November 2025, advising residents to beware of potential fire hazards caused by dry and windy weather. Meanwhile, widespread heavy rain and isolated very heavy rain were forecast from 18 to 23 November 2025 due to the strengthening northeasterly monsoon over the Gulf of Thailand, the South, and the Andaman Sea. People in southern provinces were advised to watch for flash floods and run-off. Mariners were urged to be cautious and avoid sailing in areas with thunderstorms, while small boats were advised to remain ashore.

Source: The Nation. (2025, Nov 18). *Thai Met Department issues latest warning of very heavy rain in the south*.

Viet Nam

Downpours and landslides impacted several provinces in Viet Nam. As of 18 November 2025, torrential rainfall triggered floods and landslides across central Viet Nam, resulting in 14 people dead or missing. Khanh Hoa Province was the most affected with seven deaths, two people missing, and one injured. Losses were also reported in Da Nang, Quang Tri, and Hue. Around 14,924 houses were submerged, while floods caused damage to agriculture and livestock. Local authorities evacuated approximately 5,900 people to safer places and deployed relevant agencies to support affected communities in flood prevention, response, and recovery.

Source: VOV. (2025, Nov 18). *Floods, landslides hit Central Vietnam again, 14 dead or missing*.

Japan

A series of Sakurajima volcano eruptions disrupted several flights in Japan. On 16 November 2025, Sakurajima Volcano, located on the southern tip of Kyushu Island near the city of Kagoshima, Japan, erupted three times, producing a plume about 4,400 metres high. No damage was reported. However, around 30 flights to and from Kagoshima Airport were cancelled. Due to the forecasted ashfall in parts of Kagoshima and Miyazaki prefectures, residents were advised to use umbrellas or masks outdoors and to drive slowly on the roads. The alert level remained at three on a five-level scale, which restricts access to the mountain but does not require evacuations.

Source: TTG Asia. (2025, Nov 18). *Southern Japan monitors ashfall after Sakurajima eruptions.*

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