Asia and the Pacific: Weekly Regional Humanitarian Snapshot (28 July - 3 August 2015)

**MYANMAR**

Heavy rains during the last two weeks have caused floods and landslides in several parts of the country. On 31 Jul, the President’s Office announced natural disaster zones in Chin State, Sagaing Region, Magway Region and Rakhine State. As of 2 Aug, the Government has reported over 200,000 people affected and 36 people killed. This figure is likely to rise as more information becomes available.

- **36** deaths
- **200,000** people affected

The Government is leading the response providing food, water, medicines, shelter, non-food items, cash and other relief items. The UN and INGOs are conducting assessments and scaling up the response, including providing food, emergency health services, water and sanitation assistance, shelter and mosquito nets.

**VIET NAM**

The highest rainfall and floods in over 40 years occurred in the northern coastal province of Quang Ninh. Severe flash floods and landslides were also reported in nearby mountainous areas. On 30 Jul, the Central Committee for Natural Disaster Prevention and Control (CCNDPC) reported 17 people killed, over 1,450 households evacuated, 3,000 households deluged by floodwater and over 30 houses collapsed.

The Central Government is undertaking assessments and search and rescue operations. There is no request for assessments and search and rescue services, water and sanitation assistance, shelter and mosquito nets.

- **17** deaths
- **1,450** households evacuated

**INDIA**

Landslides caused by severe flooding killed at least 21 people in Manipur. The National Disaster Response Force is conducting relief and rescue activities as flood waters begin to recede.

- **21** deaths

**NEPAL**

Landslides caused by heavy rain occurred in two villages in Kashi district, around 150 km west of Kathmandu. As of 30 Jul, media report at least 29 people killed and 22 houses destroyed throughout the district. The death toll is expected to rise further as search operations continue. Floods and landslides are expected to further hamper delivery of aid to areas affected by the Apr and May earthquakes.

- **29** deaths

**NORTHERN PACIFIC**

Tropical Cyclone Soudelor is currently over the northern Mariana Islands. There are no reports of damage so far. Soudelor is forecast to intensify rapidly as it moves toward China, strengthening to a category five storm (super typhoon) early on 9 Jul. Soudelor is predicted to weaken before making landfall in northern Taiwan (Province of China) where there is significant capacity to respond to natural disasters.

- **1** person missing

**INDONESIA**

On 28 Jul, Indonesia’s meteorological agency, BMKG, reported a 7.2 magnitude earthquake had hit Papua Province 75 km south-east of Mamberamo Raya District. Local authorities reported several houses, a hospital and a warehouse in Kasonaweja city (capital) had suffered minor damage while one house was heavily damaged, and one person remains missing. The national and local authorities are coordinating an assessment of the area, which is challenging due to access difficulties.

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA**

On 31 Jul, the National Disaster Center (NDC) confirmed that Manam volcano in Madang province intermittently spewed ash. Local media reports that two people sustained head injuries due to falling debris from the volcano. As of 1 Aug no casualties were reported while estimated damage to crops remains undetermined. As of 2 Aug no further ash fall was reported.