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On 16 Aug, relief efforts were ongoing after a 6.1 magnitude earthquake struck Yunnan province on 3 Aug, killing 517 people, destroying 81,000 homes and affecting approximately 1.1 million people. National, provincial, city, and county rescue teams have been deployed and the People’s Liberation Army, provincial firefighters, police officers and Civil society organisations including Red Cross are also responding.⁷

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Papua New Guinea

Since 9 Aug, severe ash fall from Mt. Bagana in Bougainville is affecting rivers, springs, houses and food gardens. As of 14 Aug, 1,380 people are displaced from nearby villages. Immediate needs include drinking water, food and medicines. The local government is leading the response with support from humanitarian partners.¹

Lao PDR

Heavy seasonal rainfall has resulted in flooding in four provinces throughout the country. An estimated 450 villages are affected, with nearly 150 homes evacuated.⁶

Sri Lanka

Low rainfall has further aggravated the impact of drought which is affecting more than 1.8 million people in 16 districts. The Government has allocated over US$ 680,000 to provide drought relief, while the UN Emergency Response Coordinator, has approved US$2 million from the CERF for food, drinking water and health. INGOs and the Red Cross are also responding.⁷

Other ongoing emergencies:
- Philippines: Typhoon Hayan
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FOOTNOTES:
1. MoHA/NEOC, RCO, OCHA (Nepal) 2. USGS, Media 3. Media, GLIDE 4. NDRF, Sphere India, Media, Autonomous Bougainville Administration, OCHA 5. GLIDE 6. Disaster Management Centre (Sri Lanka)