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Spot report : A tropical depression SON-TINH cause floods and casualties in Vietnam

Background



Due to the passage of Tropical Cyclone, SON TINH, heavy rain has been affecting the northern and central areas of Vietnam over 18-19 July, causing floods and casualties. The remnants of Typhoon SON TINH, now a tropical depression. This is the third tropical storm hit Vietnam since the start of this year. The latest report from the country's disaster office said 19 people have been killed so far, with an additional 13 people unaccounted for. Residents in affected areas sought safety in higher ground. Floods and landslides from heavy rains have impacted rural and urban areas, including the capital Hanoi. They are expected to continue in the coming days. More than 15,000 houses damaged. Several roads have also disappeared under the water. Vietnam's rainy season, like other countries in the region, is between June and November, but the death toll from stormy weather has often exceeded its neighbors. The Crop Production Department under the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development reported that rice fields, maize fields and other crops in the Red River Delta were inundated. Cattle and birds were swept away by the floodwaters.

Actions Taken

National Centre for Hydro-Meteorological Forecasting (NCHMF) is a governmental organization belonging Vietnam Meteorological Hydrological Administration reported that there are still reports of flooding in the lowlands of Ninh Binh Province, especially in Nho Quan and Gia Vien districts. There is a risk of landslides in many places in Lai Chau, Dien Bien, Hoa Binh, Yen Bai, Phu Tho, Quang Ninh (Northern Vietnam and areas bordering Lao People Democratic Republic). People who live on the outskirts of Hanoi were asked to leave their homes and get to higher ground for fear of heavy floods.

ASSESSMENT OF NEEDS –

Severity ranking of the concerns effect in the ASEAN region.

Section	Ranking	Issues identified	Recommendations
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Remarks:

R: Severe Situation: Urgent intervention required.

Y: Situation of concern: Surveillance or assistance may or may not require, intensive monitoring

G: Relative normal situation or local Government can cope with the crisis, monitoring and no action required.

NA: Lack of /unreliable data: Further assessment required.

ACMM Recommendations,

The local authority be able to response a situation. According to monsoon season, the ACMM is monitoring the situation for providing medical information update to member countries.

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