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## FLOODS AND LANDSLIDES IN ACEH, NORTH SUMATRA, AND WEST SUMATRA PROVINCES

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### Key Information

- a. Floods and landslides have affected 3 provinces and 52 regencies or cities, resulting in damage to more than 186,000 houses and the displacement of approximately 1.1 million people.
- b. Although floodwaters have begun to recede in some areas, many residents remain unable to return to their homes because sand and mud from flash floods have filled houses.
- c. As of Friday, 19 December 2025, fatalities related to floods and landslides have increased to 1,068 people dead, with 190 people reported missing and more than 7,000 people injured.
- d. Access to several affected locations, including Aceh Tamiang, Central Aceh, Gayo Lues, Langkat, Sibolga, and South Tapanuli, had previously been completely cut off. Access has gradually been restored through air transport, and land routes are now passable for vehicles.

### I. Situation Overview

Floods and landslides that struck Sumatra in late November 2025 have caused severe and widespread impacts. The disaster was driven by several interconnected factors. Extreme rainfall was the primary trigger, with northern Sumatra experiencing continuous heavy rain for several consecutive days. According to the Meteorology, Climatology, and Geophysics Agency (BMKG), rainfall in several areas exceeded 300 millimeters in a single day. Atmospheric phenomena, including Tropical Cyclone Senyar that formed over the Malacca Strait, further intensified rainfall. Wind speeds reached up to 80 kilometers per hour, increasing moisture supply to the region. In addition to weather related factors, environmental degradation caused by land use change significantly worsened the impacts. The Deputy Minister of Public Works explained that declining vegetation cover reduced the soil's ability to absorb water, causing rainwater to flow directly into rivers and trigger flooding.

Based on data from the National Disaster Management Agency (BNPB) official dashboard as of December 19, 2025 at 14.00 Western Indonesia Time, the disaster resulted in **1,068 people dead, 190 people missing, more than 7,000 injured, and 1.1 million people internally displaced. Infrastructure damage is extensive and includes 186,488 houses, 1,600 public facilities, 219 health facilities, 967 education facilities, 434 religious places, 290 office buildings, and 145 bridges.** These impacts have led not only to the loss of homes and assets but also to major disruptions in education, access to health services, community mobility, and local economic activities. BNPB has warned that these figures may continue to increase as some areas remain inaccessible to response teams.

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Human Initiative Emergency Response Teams (ERT) have been coordinating closely with local volunteers, Regional Disaster Management Agencies (BPBD), and local governments, while delivering emergency assistance across Aceh, North Sumatra, and West Sumatra.

Table 1. Affected population data as of December 19, 2025

Province	Deaths (people)	Missing (people)	Injured (people)
Aceh	456	31	4.319
North Sumatra	366	75	2.300
West Sumatra	246	84	382
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.030</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>7.001</b>

### II. Human Initiative Response

Human Initiative teams have been deployed since the first day of the disaster and remain on site to support affected communities. Response actions include:

1. Rapid assessments of conditions and priority needs
2. Search and Rescue operations
  - a. **Search And Rescue (SAR)**
  - b. **Food**
    - Public kitchens
    - Water kitchens
    - Hot meals
    - Family food packages
    - Young children food
  - c. **Shelter**
    - Bedding kits
  - d. **Water, sanitation, and hygiene assistance**
    - Family hygiene kits
    - Clean water (water tank dan water point)
    - Dignity kits
    - Baby kits
  - e. **Education**
    - School supply packages

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Table 2. Human Initiative Response as of December 19, 2025

<b>Province</b>	<b>Areas Covered</b>	<b>Types of Assistance</b>	<b>Number of Right holders (people)</b>
Aceh	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. North Aceh</li> <li>2. Bireuen</li> <li>3. Langsa City</li> <li>4. Pidie</li> <li>5. Pidie Jaya</li> <li>6. Aceh Singkil</li> <li>7. Southeast Aceh</li> <li>8. Simeulue</li> <li>9. Nagan Raya</li> <li>10. Gayo Lues</li> <li>11. East Aceh</li> <li>12. Bener Meriah</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. SAR support</li> <li>2. public kitchens</li> <li>3. water kitchens</li> <li>4. hot meals</li> <li>5. clean water</li> </ol>	10.151
North Sumatra	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Medan City</li> <li>2. Langkat</li> <li>3. Sibolga</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. hot meals</li> <li>2. family food packages</li> <li>3. hygiene kits</li> <li>4. bedding kits</li> <li>5. school supplies</li> </ol>	7.304
West Sumatra	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Agam</li> <li>2. Padang City</li> <li>4. Tanah Datar</li> <li>5. Solok</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. SAR support</li> <li>2. public kitchens</li> <li>3. water kitchens</li> <li>4. hot meals</li> <li>5. family food packages</li> <li>6. hygiene kits</li> <li>7. supplementary food for children</li> <li>8. cooking utensils</li> </ol>	5.252
<b>Total</b>			<b>22.707</b>

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### III. Human Initiative Action Plan

1. coordination with relevant authorities including local governments, BPBD, and community volunteers
2. Distribution of assistance:
  - a. Family hygiene kits
  - b. Temporary shelter kits
  - c. Dignity kits
  - d. Clean water through water points and water trucking
  - e. Debris cleaning tools
  - f. Household cleaning kits
  - g. Cooking sets
  - h. Bedding kits
  - i. Medical services and health checks
3. Expansion of operations in Aceh to Central Aceh.
4. Expansion of operations in North Sumatra to Sibolga and South Tapanuli.
5. Expansion of operations in West Sumatra to Pesisir Selatan and Maninjau.

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## V. Documentation



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