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I. International

Philippines - Volcanic eruption update (DG ECHO, GDACS, DROMIC, NDRRMC, PHIVOLCS, Copernicus EMS)

activation

- According to the National Disaster Response Operations Monitoring and Information Centre (DROMIC), as of 24 January, 281,907 people have been displaced (137,538 evacuated in 488 evacuation centres) and more than 346,000 affected across four Provinces of Calabarazon Region.
- The European Commission announced €750,000 in emergency humanitarian funding to support those that have lost homes, belongings and livelihoods.
- The level 4 alert and mandatory evacuation order within a 14 km radius of the main crater and along the Pansipit River Valley are still in effect.
- The EU's Copernicus emergency satellite mapping service has produced 3 maps of the crater and surrounding area.

Madagascar - Floods update (Meteo Madagascar, media)

- Following widespread floods and landslides across several the Alaotra Mangoro, Analamanga, Betsiboka, Boeny, Melaky and Sofia regions, 13 people are now confirmed dead.
- According to media reports, at least 19 people are missing, approximately 3,000 people are displaced and more than 47,000 affected. Roads are damaged in the northern part of the country, leaving some villages isolated.
- Heavy rain and thunderstorms are forecast over north-western, central-eastern and south-eastern regions.

Peru - Floods and landslides (SENAMHI, media)

- Heavy rain has been affecting several Departments of the country since the last few days, causing floods, triggering landslides and leading to widespread damage.
- According to media, as of 24 January, in Arequipa Department (southern Peru) more than 20 people have been affected, 80 houses have been damaged and many roads closed. In Huanuco Department, 29 people have been affected and 2 houses destroyed.
- For the next 24 hours, heavy rainfall is forecast in southern and northern Departments while moderate rain is expected over the rest of the country.

II. Europe

Floods and flood warnings during the last 24 hours reported by national services (European Flood Awareness System - EFAS)

- France:** Warning level 2/3 for 1 section in South East.

Spain and France - Severe weather update (COGIC, AEMET, Meteo France, Copernicus EMS, GDACS, media)

activation

- Storm Gloria continues to affect northern and eastern mainland Spain, the Balearic Islands and southern France.
- In Spain, Catalonia, Valencia, Aragón, Murcia, Balearic Islands and eastern Andalusia have been hit with heavy rain and snow, wind and strong waves. According to media reports, 13 people have died as a result. Electricity, water and telephone lines have seen disruptions and damage sustained to buildings and urban infrastructure. Railway tracks, bridges and up to 100 schools have been damaged.
- More rain is forecast over central and southern Spain and southern and western France over the next 24 hours.
- The EU's Copernicus emergency satellite mapping service was activated for the Occitanie Region in France on 22 January, with 4 maps produced and for Catalonia, Spain on 23 January, with one map produced so far.

III. Factsheets

Uganda - Factsheet (DG ECHO)

- Uganda hosts the largest refugee population in Africa. The sheer number of refugee arrivals since 2017 has put Uganda's progressive refugee policy under pressure.
- Since 2017, the EU has supported humanitarian action in Uganda with a total of EUR 136.7 million in funding, EUR 33 million of which were allocated in 2019.
- The funding provides life-saving humanitarian assistance to refugees and also supports Uganda's preparedness and response to natural disasters and epidemics

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