2026 Indonesia Sumatra Floods and Landslides: Resource Guide

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Britania Sari, Organizer

Volunteer Camp · Open

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from the news:

Britania Sari, a key figure in the relief efforts, has just returned to her residence in Bogor, West Java, after coordinating the delivery of six trucks filled with essential items like clothes, water filters, medicines, sleeping mats, mosquito nets, and ready–to–eat meals to the affected regions.

She initiated her independent aid mobilization on December 2, 2025, after sharing a call for help on social media, which quickly garnered support from volunteers and organizations across various regions.

"We divided the responsibilities: volunteers in the impacted areas assessed the needs of evacuees, while those of us outside concentrated on fundraising," Britania shared with Xinhua news agency.

Ready–to–eat meals have emerged as a crucial form of assistance, as packaged rice, tubers, vegetables, and both animal– and plant–based proteins are easy to distribute, have extended shelf lives, and can be consumed without cooking.

Britania noted that conditions in the disaster–affected regions of Sumatra have rendered raw food largely impractical, as many residents have lost their cooking utensils, access to clean water, and communal kitchens. Insights from previous calamities, such as the eruption of Mount Semeru, indicated that retort food was among the most effective survival options.

However, delivering aid has proven challenging due to the extensive affected areas and compromised transportation infrastructure. The six trucks have reached numerous primary relief points in Padang, Langsa, Lhokseumawe, and Gayo Lues regencies, where local volunteers have redistributed supplies to more isolated locations.

Close coordination was essential to avoid aid becoming concentrated in one area while neglecting other communities. In remote areas like Gayo Lues, some supplies had to be transported by helicopter with limited carrying capacity.

Britania expressed that public support has been remarkable, yet still lacking. Many isolated communities remain hard to reach, and a significant number of evacuees have lost their means of livelihood.

Although she has returned to Bogor, donations keep pouring in. On Tuesday, she assisted in unloading another truck carrying water purification equipment, clothing, and food, while additional supplies are scheduled to be shipped by sea in collaboration with the Indonesian Red Cross.

In January 2026, Britania and fellow volunteers plan to focus on constructing sanitation facilities, as such infrastructure remains scant while hundreds of thousands of individuals continue to reside in evacuation tents.

Support has also come from small businesses. In the student city of Yogyakarta, Muflih Kholidin, the owner of Warung Makan Nusantara, a food stall, has been providing complimentary meals to students from affected areas who have lost access to essential logistics.

"We are dedicated to supporting them until their hometowns recover and their parents can restore their livelihoods," Muflih stated.

Each day, more than 20 menu options are available, and the food stall has transformed into a space for sharing stories, where laughter, tears, and relief are exchanged around the dining table. Some students recount homes buried in mud, rice fields ruined, and families still displaced.

For Muflih, hearing their stories is just as vital as serving warm meals. At times, he personally delivers dozens of ready–to–eat meal packages to students' boarding houses.

He believes that humble kitchens like his can serve as bridges of empathy between those who have suffered and those eager to lend a helping hand.

Despite the lingering mud and a gradual recovery, these collective social initiatives vividly illustrate the profound solidarity rooted in Indonesian society.

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