



Lao People's Democratic Republic

Flash floods

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The Appeal



The Lao Red Cross and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) need your support to help thousands of people affected by catastrophic floods following the collapse of a hydropower dam in the south-east district of Attapeu.

Snapshot



On 23 July, following days of heavy rainfall, the Xepian-Xe Nam Noy hydropower dam collapsed. More than 5 billion cubic metres of water was released, inundating six villages and affecting nearly 12,000 people. Five people were killed, 34 are missing, and nearly 1,500 people had to be evacuated.

This appeal will enable the Lao Red Cross and IFRC to support 7,500 of the most vulnerable survivors for 18 months. The operation will include health and disease prevention activities, livelihoods and basic needs, disaster risk reduction, and water, sanitation and hygiene support.



Key figures



7,500
people
in desperate
need of help



2.9 million
Swiss
francs
needed



5
people
reported
dead



34
people
still
missing



11,777
people
have been
affected