

Alert note*Flood emergency in Thailand 27th September 2026*

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Forum: Thailand

Type of emergency: Flood

Date of emergency (if rapid onset): started from 24th September

1. The nature of the emergency
Widespread flooding and water accumulation occurred across multiple regions of Thailand, driven by continuous heavy rainfall and cumulative precipitation, as well as northern runoff flowing down into the Central region and other areas. Combined with the influence of monsoon troughs and low-pressure cells, this led to flash floods, overflowing rivers in low-lying areas and riverside communities, as well as severe water accumulation on main roads, streets, and alleys across Bangkok and its vicinity.
2. The impact and scale of the emergency
According to the Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation (DDPM) report as of September 27, 2026, ongoing floods affected 25 provinces and all 50 districts of Bangkok, impacting over 226,000 households in total and resulting in 8 deaths across Sa Kaeo, Chanthaburi, and Saraburi provinces. Heavily affected provinces include Samut Prakan (recording the highest number of affected households at 124,678), Phra Nakhon Si Ayutthaya (13,971 households with water levels still rising), and Bangkok (over 52,000 affected households). GISTDA satellite imagery (September 25, 2026) identified high-risk zones in the Central and lower Northern regions (such as Nakhon Sawan, Phichit, Phetchabun, Lop Buri, Saraburi, Suphan Buri, Pathum Thani, Nonthaburi), as well as the lower Northeast (Surin, Si Sa Ket, Buri Ram, Roi Et). Bangkok and its metropolitan area faced significant street-level flooding on the morning of September 28, 2026, with flood depths ranging from 15 to 47 cm on several major roads (such as Pattanakan Road, Lat Phrao Road, Soi Senanikhom, Nawamin Road, and Ngam Wong Wan Road). At the same time, The Church of Christ in Thailand (CCT), through its Social Development and Service Unit (SDSU), closely monitored the situation and gathered local data starting September 24, 2026. Coordination was established with the area of CCT District 6, which covers provinces in the Central region. Staff members and volunteers, in collaboration with the Bangkok Community Help Foundation, distributed rice and dry food supplies to disaster-affected communities in the Lat Krabang community, while the Khlong Toey Mission Center provided assistance to the Prawet community, starting from September 25 onwards. https://www.nationthailand.com/news/general/40071461 https://www.nationthailand.com/news/general/40071563 https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/3327405/city-hall-reports-flooding-on-several-streets
3. Local and national capacity
Government agencies, such as the Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation (DDPM), the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration's (BMA) Drainage and Sewerage Department, and local authorities, have deployed machinery and water pumps to accelerate drainage from affected areas. Emergency response operation centers (war rooms) have been established to monitor real-time situations and coordinate assistance, including delivering essential supplies and supporting vulnerable groups. https://www.thaienquirer.com/74635/thai-enquirer-news-summary-september-28-2026/

4. Key needs and gaps

The government figures establish the scale of impact, but the actual needs will differ considerably between Bangkok's urban flooding, rural agricultural areas and communities that remain isolated. The latest government information says water levels are declining in many areas but still rising in some provinces.

WASH – drinking water, household water, sanitation and hygiene

Food/basic needs – food or multipurpose cash

Shelter/NFI – bedding, household items, cleaning and repair

Health/protection – vulnerable people, medicines, children, disability inclusion

Early recovery/livelihoods – agriculture, small businesses and household recovery

A cash-plus approach could potentially be useful where markets are functioning: MPC + hygiene/cleaning kits + targeted shelter repair or livelihood support.

There is no comprehensive national humanitarian needs assessment for the current September flooding but as soon as the areas accessible more details will be shared.

Food and Safe Drinking Water: As communities in outer Bangkok and metropolitan areas (such as Lat Krabang and Prawet) face transportation difficulties and disruption to daily life, residents urgently require rice, dry food packages, and bottled drinking water.

Medical Supplies and Hygiene Items: Due to prolonged stagnant floodwaters, there is a high demand for basic medicines (such as athlete's foot ointments), first-aid kits, and cleaning supplies to prevent waterborne health issues.

Transportation and Evacuation Support: Assistance in facilitating mobility through severely flooded roads as well as support in moving belongings to higher ground and evacuating vulnerable groups.

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Capacity details of forum members with the intention to respond are given below.

ACT Member	Geographical focus	Sectors of expertise
CCT/ SDSU	Central and Eastern of Thailand	Food, NFIs

5. Potential responses

CCT/SDSU, CCT District 6, local churches and local organizations serve as the primary humanitarian actors operating directly in the affected areas. SDSU/CCT with church districts, local churches, and local organizations began monitoring the emergency on September 24, 2026, and actively conducted initial on-the-ground distributions of food and drinking water on September 25–26, 2026. SDSU is requesting to plan to request an amount of USD 50,000 for the initial response.

The initial response plan targets high-need areas, including Lat Krabang district, Prawet district, Khlong Toey district, Ang Thong Province, Phra Na Korn Sri Ayutthaya province.

The proposed response will focus the following activities.

- Food packs distribution
- Clean drinking water
- Cooking and kitchen items
- Hygiene Supplies/Equipment