Situation Report (SR -1)
28 March 2008

Emergency and Humanitarian Action (EHA), WHO Indonesia

Flood in Pekanbaru, Riau Province, Republic of Indonesia

Date of Incident
Sunday, 23 March 2008, at about 10:00 hours local time.

General Information
Heavy torrential rain down poured Pekanbaru areas since 15th of March 2008 has caused flooding in some sub-districts. The highest water level which happened on 23rd of March at 03.00 am is still on going at the moment. Floods are frequent in Indonesia, where tropical downpours can quickly soak hillsides and years of deforestation often means there is little vegetation to hold the soil.

Affected Areas and Incident Site Mapping
According to MOH report, floods affected some areas in Pekanbaru City such as Rumbai sub-district, Rumbai Pesisir sub-district, Lima Puluh sub-district, Tenayan Raya sub-district and Tampan sub-district, Riau Province. The arrow shows areas affected by the floods:
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Casualty
The landslides have caused no people death.

Caption :
The local residents evacuated to a safer area

IDPs
124 families who live along Yos Sudarso street evacuated so far.

Status of International Aid
So far the government has not officially requested any international aid. The local authorities, with support from central government and ministries, are trying their best to manage the situation so far.

Response
MOH – WHO Indonesia
- Victims evacuation and provide medical services.
- Established health posts and activated mobile clinics in the affected areas.
- Coordination with the Provincial Coordination Units for Disaster Management (SATKORLAK PB) and District Coordination Units for Disaster Management (SATLAK PB).
- WHO is in close communication with MOH in monitoring the situation.

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