

# Indonesia's catalogue of catastrophes

**1 Dec 26, 2004:** Magnitude 9.3 earthquake triggers massive tsunami killing more than 160,000 people in Indonesia, mostly in **Aceh** province on **Sumatra**



**2 Mar 28, 2005:** More than 900 people killed, tens of thousands left homeless, when 8.7 magnitude quake hits **Nias**, **Banyak** and **Simeulue** islands

**3 Jan 4, 2006:** Some 200 people are killed in landslides on **Java**

**4 May:** Mud eruption at drilling shaft at **Sidoarjo** displaces up to 15,000 people and inundates villages and factories, spewing 100,000 cubic metres of mud a day

**5 May:** Explosions eject hot ash down slopes of **Mount Merapi**, forcing 15,000 villagers to flee

**6 May 27:** Earthquake off coast near **Yogyakarta** kills at least 6,200 people and injures more than 36,000. An estimated 1.5 million left homeless

**7 Jun 19:** Flash floods and mud flows kill up to 300 people in southern **Sulawesi**

**8 Jul 17:** Earthquake measuring 7.7 triggers tsunami off southern **Java**, killing at least 600 people

**9 Dec 23:** Heavy rain triggers floods that kill more than 100 people and displace over 400,000 on **Sumatra**

**10 Dec 29:** Ferry sinks in storm in **Java Sea**, killing more than 400 people

**11 Feb 1, 2007:** Rivers in the capital, **Jakarta**, burst their banks, killing 57 and displacing 450,000

**12 Mar 3:** Landslides triggered by days of heavy rain kill at least 40 people on Indonesian island of **Flores**

**13 Mar 6:** Earthquake strikes **Sumatra**, killing at least 70 people and damaging hundreds of buildings



**14 Mar 7:** Twenty-two people killed but scores escape after Indonesian Boeing 737 bursts into flames on landing in cultural capital of **Yogyakarta**