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On 17 July, at 3PM local time, a big flood hit the coast of Kampung, killing over 60 people and injuring more than 100. The most severely affected communities have been those of poorer families living on the coast.

Over 5,000 people have been displaced and have taken shelter in a local school which has become a makeshift camp. 2,000 people are estimated to have lost their homes. While many homes are still standing, few people are willing to return home due to fear of further flood.

The camp is overcrowded and lacks sufficient basic services. International NGO Floodrelief has visited the camp and are concerned about unsanitary conditions and insufficient water supply, which could pose serious public health risks. Local government and NGOs have been overwhelmed, and are asking for international support.

