

# Southeast Asia's 2026 Environmental Challenges: Haze, Deforestation, and Gr

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**1. What severe weather phenomenon is projected to cause hotter and drier conditions, potentially leading to more intense forest fires and haze in Southeast Asia later in 2026?**

- A) La Niña
- B) Arctic Oscillation
- C) Godzilla El Niño**
- D) Indian Ocean Dipole

**2. Which ASEAN country saw a significant surge in deforestation in 2025, reaching its highest rate in nearly a decade, according to environmental activists?**

- A) Malaysia
- B) Thailand
- C) Indonesia**
- D) Vietnam

**3. Which two ASEAN countries experienced landfill collapses in 2026 that led to confirmed deaths and highlighted the region's plastic waste crisis?**

- A) Thailand and Malaysia
- B) Singapore and Brunei
- C) Philippines and Indonesia**
- D) Laos and Cambodia

**4. Which ASEAN member state chaired the ASEAN Climate Week in April 2026, focusing on advancing climate finance and policy action?**

- A) Singapore
- B) Vietnam
- C) Philippines**
- D) Indonesia

**5. In the first five months of 2026, which ASEAN country certified 13 renewable energy projects worth PHP 344.62 billion under its Green Lane initiative?**

- A) Thailand
- B) Philippines**
- C) Vietnam
- D) Malaysia

**6. As of March 2026, which two ASEAN countries had established carbon pricing policies?**

A) Philippines and Thailand

**B) Singapore and Indonesia**

C) Malaysia and Vietnam

D) Brunei and Laos