

# Southeast Asia Political Pulse: Key Events & Developments in June-July 2026

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**1. Which Southeast Asian country lodged a formal protest against Thailand in late June 2026, accusing Thai troops of encroaching on its territory?**

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

**2. In early July 2026, Singapore's Prime Minister Lawrence Wong made his first-ever visit to which Southeast Asian nation?**

- A) Timor-Leste**
- B) Brunei
- C) Indonesia
- D) Laos

**3. Brunei's Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah announced a cabinet reshuffle in early June 2026, appointing two of his sons to ministerial positions. Which son was appointed as the new foreign minister?**

- A) Prince Abdul Azim
- B) Prince Abdul Malik
- C) Prince Abdul Mateen**
- D) Crown Prince Al-Muhtadee Billah

**4. In late June 2026, a prominent opposition politician in Cambodia, Rong Chhun, had his incitement conviction upheld by the Supreme Court, though the remainder of his sentence was suspended. This ruling prevents him from engaging in what activity for five years?**

- A) Public speaking
- B) International travel
- C) Owning property
- D) Practicing politics**

**5. Which Southeast Asian nation's Constitutional Court rejected petitions against the inclusion of a barcode on ballot papers used in its general election in early July 2026?**

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

**6. In late June 2026, thousands of members of which influential religious group in the Philippines staged a rally that paralyzed traffic in Manila, coinciding with political tensions surrounding an impeachment trial?**

A) Roman Catholic Church

**B) Iglesia ni Cristo**

C) Islam

D) Buddhism

**7. The Lao government announced achievements in its crackdown on illegal mining in late June 2026. How many provinces saw illicit operations broken up?**

A) Five

B) Ten

**C) Twelve**

D) Fifteen

**8. In early July 2026, Malaysia's Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim reaffirmed the country's stance on what individual, despite reports of a possible US pardon?**

A) Najib Razak

**B) Jho Low**

C) Rosmah Mansor

D) Lim Guan Eng

**9. What country's Supreme Court ruled in late May 2026 that political parties breaching a 30% gender quota would be barred from legislative polls?**

A) Philippines

**B) Indonesia**

C) Thailand

D) Vietnam

**10. In late June 2026, the Philippines' Office of the Ombudsman announced it was planning to file a plunder case against which senator?**

A) Bato dela Rosa

B) Grace Poe

**C) Rodante Marcoleta**

D) Alan Cayetano

**11. Which Southeast Asian country's Cabinet officially approved the cancellation of its 60-day visa-free scheme in mid-June 2026?**

A) Malaysia

B) Singapore

**C) Thailand**

D) Vietnam

**12. In mid-June 2026, leaders from ASEAN met with leaders from which country for a commemorative summit marking 35 years of relations?**

- A) United States
- B) China
- C) Russia**
- D) Japan

**13. In late May 2026, the Philippine House Committee on Justice agreed to advance impeachment proceedings against which Vice President?**

- A) Jejomar Binay
- B) Leni Robredo
- C) Sara Duterte**
- D) Noli de Castro

**14. A Vietnamese delegation handed over humanitarian aid to support recovery efforts in which South American country in late June 2026, following powerful earthquakes?**

- A) Colombia
- B) Peru
- C) Venezuela**
- D) Ecuador

**15. In early July 2026, Singapore's Prime Minister Lawrence Wong attended the Conferment of the Order of Timor-Leste. What title does he hold in Singapore?**

- A) President
- B) Deputy Prime Minister
- C) Prime Minister**
- D) Minister for Foreign Affairs

**16. Which Southeast Asian nation is seeking Cambodian experience to combat scam operations, as reported in late June 2026?**

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

**17. In early July 2026, the Constitutional Court of Thailand rejected petitions against the inclusion of what on ballot papers?**

- A) Candidate photos
- B) A barcode**
- C) Party logos
- D) Watermarks

**18. As of early July 2026, which former Indonesian Minister, also the co-founder of Gojek, was sentenced to 10 years for corruption?**

- A) Prabowo Subianto
- B) Joko Widodo
- C) Nadiem Makarim**
- D) Anies Baswedan

**19. In late June 2026, Cambodia's Prime Minister Hun Manet stated that the government is continuing state institutional reforms by restructuring and reducing what?**

- A) Military branches
- B) General departments and departments**
- C) Provincial administrations
- D) Diplomatic missions