

Seven Dead, 48,000 Displaced in North Brazil Due to Floods



Rio de Janeiro, May 30 (RHC-Xinhua)-- Seven people have died and 48,000 others displaced after heavy floods hit northern Brazil, authorities announced Monday.

In the state of Pernambuco which was most affected, two people died, over 44,000 were displaced, the homes of 2,600 were destroyed, and 15 towns were declared a state of calamity on Sunday. In Alagoas state, five people, including a child, were killed.

It has been raining in Pernambuco and Alagoas states for several days now. In addition to the flood, the storm also triggered mudslides in the two states as well as in Paraiba state.

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