Laos dam collapse

Hundreds are missing and Twenty-six people have been confirmed dead, KPL, the state news agency reported on Thursday morning. Officially, nearly 7,000 people have been rendered homeless after flash flooding inundated a half dozen villages in southernmost Attapeu province near the borders with Cambodia and Vietnam. Survivors were left clinging to trees, or stranded on a handful of rooftops peaking above the floodline.

Speaking on Wednesday afternoon, the prime minister, Thongloun Sisoulith, confirmed that 131 people were still missing and that there had been 26 reported fatalities so far.

The structure that collapsed is reportedly one of three “earth-filled” auxiliary dams supporting the hydropower project, a system of dams, reservoirs and channels along Mekong River tributaries.

http://time.com/5347992/laos-dam-collapse-missing-rescue-lates/ : Date of access 26/7/2018
https://www.theguardian.com/world/2018/jul/25/laos-dam-collapse-3000-need-rescue-death-toll-rises : Date of access 26/7/2018

The analysis excluded permanent water bodies including reservoir, tanks and ponds and this reflects only the inundation extent. Please note the surface water extent mapped has not yet been validated in the field.

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