

Update 1: Australia - Dual Crisis as Ex-Tropical Cyclone 'Mangga' Causes Disruption to Normal Lives Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

- Authorities reported fierce storm with winds up to 100km/h in parts of Western Australia on May 24 and 25 amid COVID-19 crisis
- It is due to remnants of ex-tropical cyclone 'Mangga', combining with cold front and trough
- Damage to airport and infrastructure took place
- Tens of thousands reported power outage
- Warning for floods and beach erosion issued in Perth for May 25
- Heavy rain, with up to 50mm, and thunderstorms are expected in Kimberly and Pilbara
- Torrential rain with up to 50mm is anticipated in coastal areas of New South Wales in next couple of days
- Residents are warned to avoid using electrical appliances and landline phones, and stay away from windows
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments

Source(s)

<https://www.news.com.au/technology/environment/wa-storm-thousands-without-power-buildings-damaged-in-perth-geraldton/news-story/af10ab9c3c199653f597c11fea59921f>
<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-australia-52787152>

Targets Affected:

Australia

Guidance

Actions to consider:

- SW Subscribers should ensure appropriate Business Continuity Plans and Programs are activated
- Determine if current Business Continuity Plans of third parties/captive units account for sudden shortage or unavailability of resources in the event of several team members being unable to commute to the workplace due to adverse weather conditions
- It is advised to determine if alternate power supplies and network connections are available to deal with large-scale power outages and network failures, if any
- It is important for SW Subscribers to determine if procedures for evacuating employees to safe locations are in place, if required
- Determine if all staff and travelers in affected areas are monitoring local weather, government warnings, and updates

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Impact level Definitions

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Immediate	Certain - Supply Wisdom recommends considering prompt action. Examples of Immediate level alert events may include bankruptcy filings, data breaches, unexpected curfews, strikes, power black-outs, major geo-political events etc.
High	Highly likely to occur in the near term (within 3 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends being in a state of readiness to take quick action. Examples of High level alert events may include withdrawal of rating by ratings agencies, hostile takeover, multiple cyber-attacks, new business policies causing significant hardship etc.
Medium	Likely to occur in the mid-term (within 3 to 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends reviewing current mitigation steps and being ready to take proactive actions if and when situation deteriorates further. Examples of Medium level alert events may include unplanned C-level exits, suppliers caught in bribery cases, economy slipping into recession.
Low	Possible in the long-term (after 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends taking proactive action if situation does not resolve. Examples of Low level alert events may include lawsuits filed against suppliers, client losses, air pollution alerts issued by country's local authorities, unexpected holidays announced for the location etc.
Informational	The event is pertinent information but does not have a risk element associated with it. Examples of Info level alert events may include launch of new solutions, partnerships signed, industry outlook, positive changes in government policies, announcements regarding launch of software parks/ free trade zones/special economic zones etc.