

《武汉连续强降雨 院墙坍塌8人遇难》

导读:中国中部湖北省武汉市遭连续强降雨袭击，星期六，一处院墙坍塌致8人遇难。



Eight people died on Saturday after a wall collapsed due to heavy rain in Wuhan City, capital of central China's Hubei Province, according to local authorities.

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The accident occurred at around 8:20 a.m. when a 15-meter section of the wall at a company in Jiangxia District toppled, according to a statement from the district's publicity office.

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Eight people walking near the wall, which stood more than two meters high, were buried by the debris and found dead after being pulled out by rescuers.

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A rainstorm has battered Wuhan since Friday night. From 8 p.m. on Friday to 8 a.m. on Saturday, precipitation in Jiangxia District reached 263 millimeters.

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The rainfall caused waterlogging and seriously disrupted traffic, as some lakes in Wuhan cannot contain the additional rainwater.

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In the city proper, traffic was cut off on 45 roads, while only large vehicles can pass 12 roads.

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Water also inundated part of an expressway leading to Wuhan Tianhe International Airport, prompting traffic controls to allow only public buses to transport people in and out of the airport.

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In Jiangxia, dozens of residential communities saw waterlogging and more than 300 residents have been relocated.

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At around 10:40 a.m., an entrance to a tunnel that stretches beneath Wuhan's Donghu Lake was blocked by landslide debris, disrupting traffic in both directions.

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On Saturday morning, the city's meteorological observatory issued a red alert, the highest level, for heavy rain.

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