

Mount Lewotobi Laki Laki volcanic eruption

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Why in news?

Recently, Indonesia's Mount Lewotobi Laki Laki volcano erupts, sending ash cloud 18 kilometers in air.

- It is one of *Indonesia's most active volcanoes*.
- It has *erupted multiple times*.
- It is an *active stratovolcano* in *Indonesia's Flores Island*, part of pacific ring of fire.
- The volcano is part of a *twin-peaked system* called Lewotobi, meaning "husband and wife."
- It consists of the Lewotobi Lakilaki (man) and Lewotobi Perempuan (woman) stratovolcanoes, whose summit craters are located less than 2 km apart on Flores Island.

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• **Recent Eruption** – The recent eruption sending a column of volcanic materials as high as 18 kilometres into the sky and depositing ash on

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villages.

- Indonesia's Geology Agency recorded an avalanche of searing gas clouds mixed with rocks and lava travelling *up to 5 kilometres* down the volcano's slopes during the eruption.
- Largest eruption The July 2025 eruption was one of Indonesia's largest eruptions *since 2010 when Mount Merapi was erupted*.
- The volcano monitoring agency had increased the alert status to the highest level after this eruption, and more than doubled an exclusion zone to a 7-kilometre radius since then.

Mount Merapi located in Yogyakarta, Indonesia's most volatile volcano erupted on the densely populated island of Java.

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