After the Smoke Clears: The State's Non-Negotiable Responsibilities to Fire Survivors



The Indonesian government must recognise that people affected by fires, particularly children, have legally enforceable rights, rather than merely depending on the state's goodwill. Under the applicable legal framework, the state bears "primary responsibility" for disaster management. That responsibility means it cannot invoke "limited capacity" or "budget constraints" to escape its obligations to rebuild homes, safeguard health and restore livelihoods.

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