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Spot report: Indonesia quake, Tsunami kills more than 830 plus

Background



Death bodies (Source <https://www.news.com.au>)



Victims (Source <https://news.sky.com>)

A powerful earthquake 7.5 triggered a tsunami on 28 September 2018 at Sulawesi, Indonesia that located 800 miles way from Jakarta. The depth of earthquake is 10 km. A tsunami alert was issued but it was lifted. Ten thousand people preparing for a beach festival. They were still going on their activities. A massive wave was tearing through the city of Palu and other areas. Many of those killed were at a beach festival in Palu, the capital of Central Sulawesi province.

As of 30 September 2018, more than 830 people were killed, dozens are missing. At least 540 people were badly injured. Hospitals struggled to cope with hundreds of injured and asked for medical aid supply. About 10,000 affected people are estimated to be in shelters across the city.

The number of deaths will continue will continue to rise as the search continue. Indonesian Vice President Jusuf Kalla, in an interview with local media, said the death toll could reach well into the thousands. Authorities are struggling to co-ordinate the rescue effort because a power outage has cut communications around Palu and the nearby town of Donggala. The nearby cities of Donggala and Mamuju were ruined, information was insufficient due to damaged roads and disrupted telecommunications.

Actions Taken



The military has sent cargo planes with aid from Jakarta and other cities, but evacuees still badly need food and other basic necessities. Australia has offered Indonesia whatever help the country requires as it responds to a devastating natural disaster.

MG Pramote Imwattana, ACMM SC called for urgent BOD VTC 30 September 2018 1400 hrs to monitor and discuss for circumstances. Indonesian BOD noticed that there is no request for international assistance so far because the government be able to handle the situation. ACMM has closely contact to Indonesian Liaison officer and requested for ACMM form 1 to update the situation. ACMM SC declared the REDCON 2. ACMM staff have been monitoring intensely and promptly to response.

ASSESSMENT OF NEEDS - Food, basic necessities, medicine

Severity ranking of the concerns effect in the ASEAN region.

Section	Ranking	Issues identified	Recommendations
Hundreds killed in earthquake and Tsunami Sulawesi, Indonesia	Y	The government agency has conducted relief operation. The fatality is high. The number of casualties is expected to increase. The assessment for this situation is yellow.	The AMS monitor the situation closely and update information.

Remarks:

R: Severe Situation: Urgent intervention required.

Y: Situation of concern: Surveillance or assistance may or may not require, intensive monitoring

G: Relative normal situation or local Government can cope with the crisis, monitoring and no action required.

N/A: Lack of /unreliable data: Further assessment required.

ACMM Recommendations,

According to the current situation, the ACMM is monitoring the situation intensely for providing medical update information to member countries and promptly to response to the situation. AMS be alert to the situation. ACMM be ready to coordinate and assist whenever the request for assistance has begun.

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