

Indonesia earthquake

Rescuers in Indonesia have continued their efforts to find survivors trapped after Monday's earthquake in West Java. The latest official figures say 271 people were killed - many of them children - and are 40 still missing. Hundreds of others were injured. Damaged roads and the vast size of the affected area are making it difficult to locate and help victims. Aprizal Mulyadi was at school when the quake hit, and was trapped after "the room collapsed".



The earthquake and subsequent aftershocks brought down many buildings
By Valdya Bara in Cianjur & Frances Mao in Singapore : BBC News

The National Disaster Mitigation Agency said on Tuesday that 22,000 houses had been damaged, and that more than 58,000 people had taken shelter in several locations in the region. The 5.6 magnitude quake struck a mountainous region the previous day, causing landslides that buried entire villages near the West Java town of Cianjur. Victims were crushed or trapped after walls and roofs caved in. "It all happened so fast," Aprizal told AFP news agency. A representative of the National Search and RA collapsed school building in Cianjurescue Agency also confirmed that many of the dead were young people.



A collapsed school building in Cianjur

The earthquake, which struck at a shallow depth of 10km (six miles), was followed by dozens of aftershocks which caused more damage as poorly built homes collapsed. In the village of Cibereum, a family was trying to retrieve the body of their eldest son - a 28-year-old man who had been crushed when the other levels of the home fell on him. Rescuers struggled to sift the rubble.

Cucu, a 48-year-old resident, told the Reuters news agency that she survived after being crushed beneath a child. "Many bodies are lying in the hospital grounds, it's very crowded," said her relative, Hesti.

In one area, victims held cardboard signs asking for food and shelter.

Houses damaged in Indonesia quake

Nyalindung village, Cianjur, West Java

Before: May 2022



After: 21 Nov 2022



Source: Getty Images, Google

BBC

President Joko Widodo visited the remote disaster zone on Tuesday where he was pictured with responders. "My instruction is to prioritise evacuating victims that are still trapped under rubble," he said.

Hundreds of police and other rescuers are taking part in the rescue effort. Mr Jokowi pledged compensation to affected communities.



Rescuers use a heavy machine to dig through mud as they search for victims of an earthquake-triggered landslide in Cianjur, West Java, Indonesia, Nov 23, 2022. (AP Photo/Tatan Syuflana)

Save the Children said that at least 80 schools had been damaged. "Children are terrified and we need to get food, water and shelter to them and ensure they're not at risk of separation from parents and caregivers," a spokesperson said.

Earthquakes are common in Indonesia, which sits on the "ring of fire" area of tectonic activity in the Pacific.

The country has a history of devastating tremors and tsunamis, with more than 2,000 people killed in a 2018 earthquake on the island of Sulawesi.

West Java earthquake



Source: Indonesian Meteorology, Climatology, and Geophysical Agency





Severity ranking of the concerns effect in the ASEAN region.

Section	Ranking	Issues identified	Recommendations
Indonesia earthquake	G	The national assistances have observed the affected area.	The ACMM keep on monitoring and update medical 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,

ACMM is concerned and monitors the assistance of disaster victims in Indonesia. And my condolences to everyone affected. This earthquake has A large number of casualties died. When a poorly built building collapses The new construction includes earthquake-resistant housing that provides assistance and relief to those affected. as much as possible And if there is any need for additional assistance We are happy and ready to provide full support.

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