

PRESS RELEASE

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TSUNAMI IN JAPAN

After seeing the news reports of today's devastating Tsunami in Japan, people were reminded of the worst memories of 2004 Tsunami that hit the Indian Ocean and there have been apprehensions and constant enquires about today's Tsunamis' impact in the Indian Coast.

The Indian Tsunami Early Warning Centre located in INCOIS, Hyderabad generated a bulletin within 8 minutes of the occurrence of a devastating tsunami that hit the coast of northeast Japan today in the aftermath of an 8.6 magnitude earthquake about 80 miles offshore and its location was off Honshu, Japan's most populous island. The quake's epicenter was 373 kilometers (231 miles) away from Tokyo, as per United States Geological Survey.

Based on the bulletin issued by INCOIS, Shri M.Shashidhar Reddy, Hon'ble Vice Chairman, National Disaster Management Authority, speaking to the media outside Andhra Pradesh Assembly in Hyderabad today, said that there is no threat for the Indian Ocean in the aftermath of this Tsunami. He further said that he has appraised the Prime Minister's Office and also personally spoke to the Union Home Minister about the present situation.

He also stated that NDMA Control Room is constantly monitoring the situation.
