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Strengthening the Resilience of Coastal Communities in the North East Atlantic,
Mediterranean Region to the Impact of Tsunamis and Other Sea Level-Related Coastal
Hazards Project

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- *In-country liaison/focal point for the project:*
- **National Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries (Prof. Amr Hamouda)**
- **Ministry of High Education and Scientific Research**
- **Egypt**

- *National stakeholders and partners that you envisage for this project:*
- **Alexandria Governorate – Alexandria Tourism Authority – Alexandria Hotels and Restaurants associations**

- *Potential national contributions:*
- **Information and Decision Support Center,**
- **Crisis and Disaster Management Sector, and Risk Reduction**
- **The Egyptian General Authority for the Protection of the Beaches**
- **Urban Authority**



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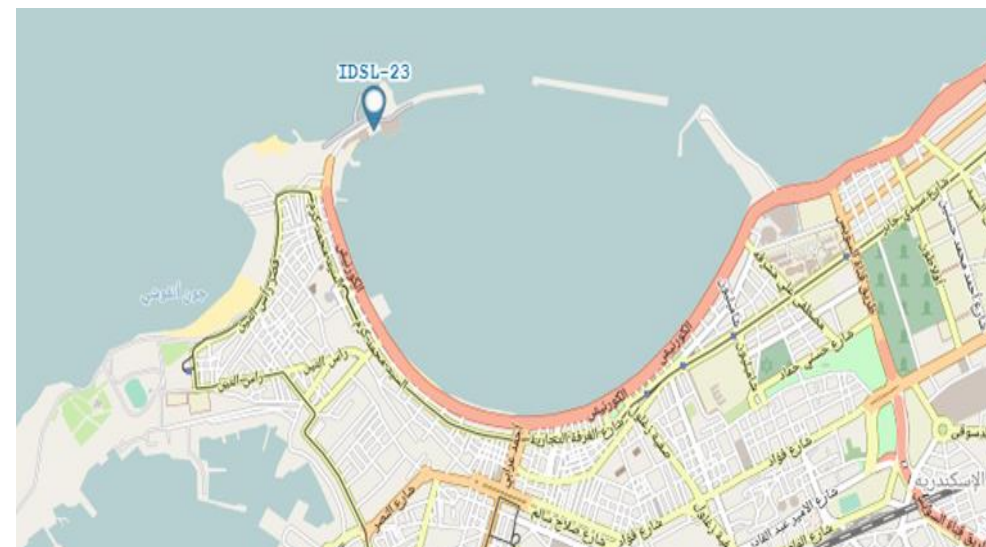


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The IDSL-JRC tide gauge has been installed since May 2018 at the NIOF platform in Alexandria. This device is one of the tsunami early warning system network in NEAM area.



Tide Gauge position-NIOF platform
(IDSL-23)
31.212396 N / 29.884913 E



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(i) Risk Knowledge and Communication Strategies

- Hourly sea level records from six tide gauges distributed over the Egyptian Mediterranean coast. These gauges were deployed at Port Said (PS), Burullus new harbour (BR), Abu-Qir Bay (AQ), Alexandria Western Harbour (AWH), Sidi Abdel-Rahman (SAR) and Mersa Matrouh (MM), from east to west, respectively.
- The periods of data are different for each location, with the longest records (30 years) at AWH and the shortest records (4 years) at MM.



		PROVIDE AN IDEA OF EXISTING KNOWLEDGE ETC, ON SEA LEVEL COASTAL HAZARD RISK PERCEPTIONS AND COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES WITHIN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY [none/lacking/some]	NEEDS
1	Tsunami	NIOF Support the Tsunami early warning center establishment 2020	Update and transfer the recent application awareness system to increase the awareness information for public society
1	Storm Surge	seasonal storm surges during the Autumn and winter season	
2	Sea Level Rise	The sea level along the Egyptian Mediterranean coast is rising with an overall rate of 3.4 mm/yr.	Need More Equipment's (Tide



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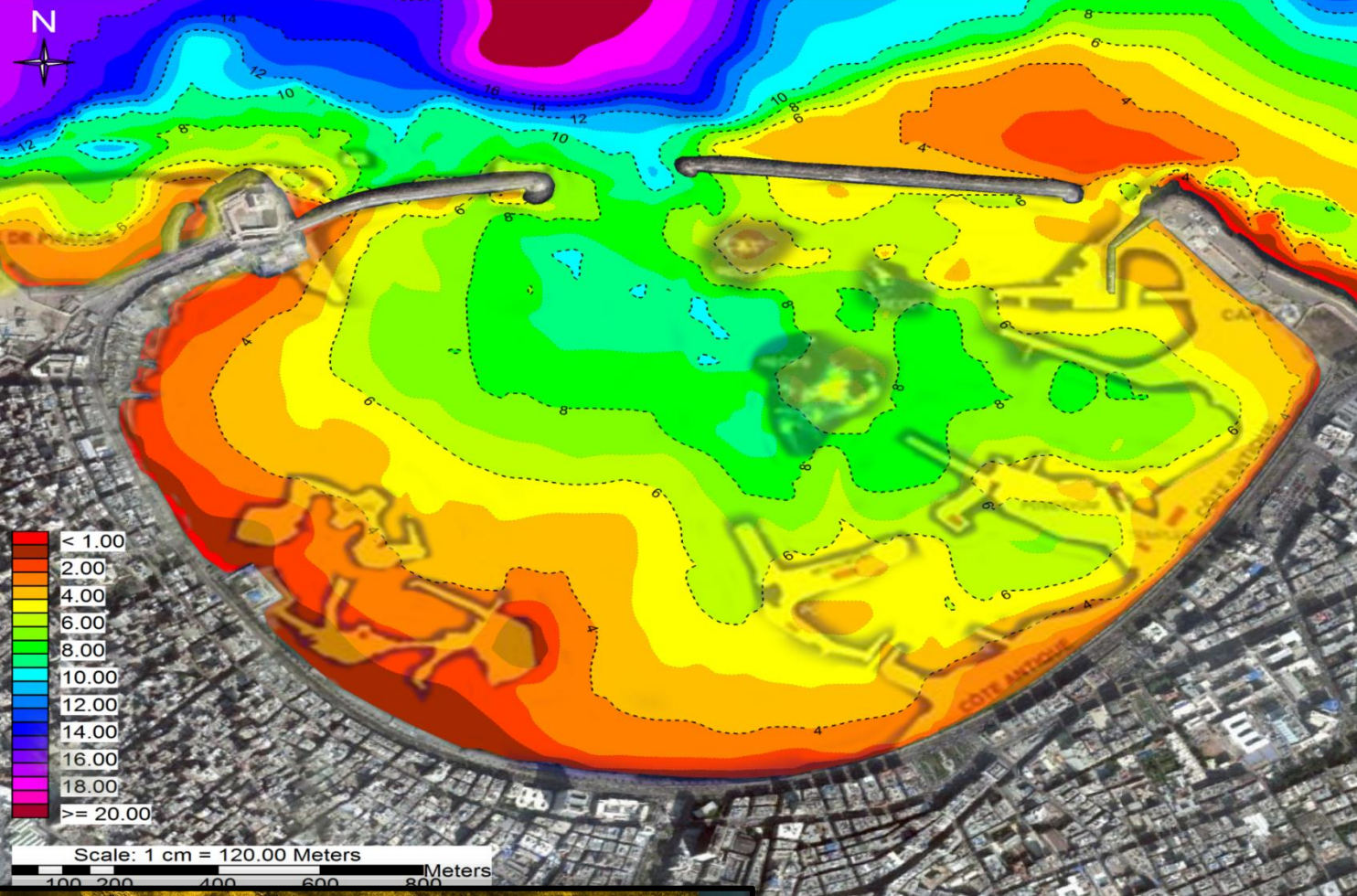


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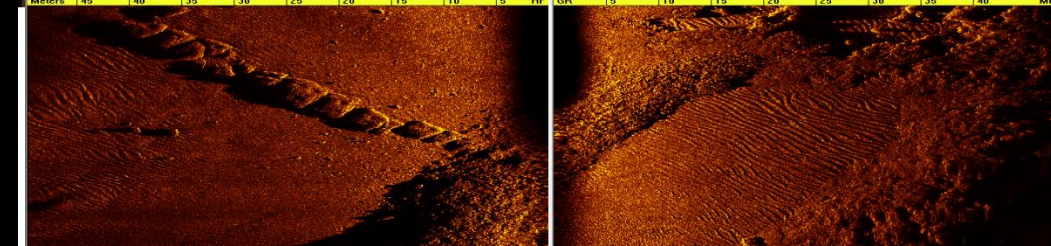
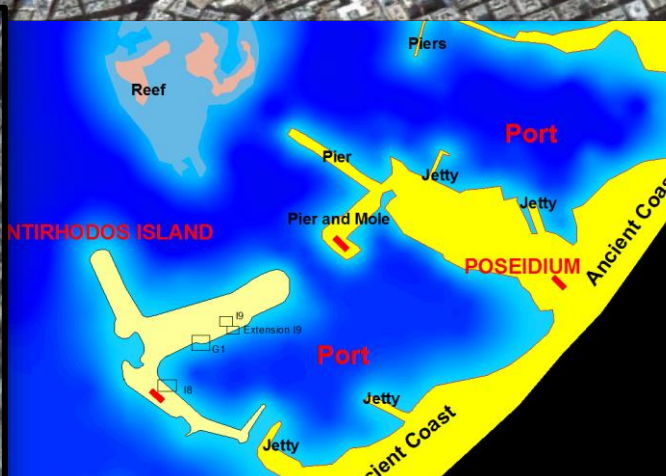
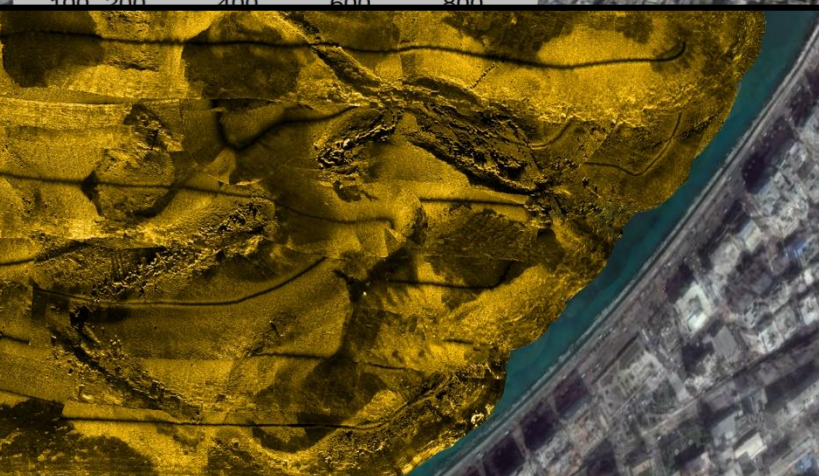


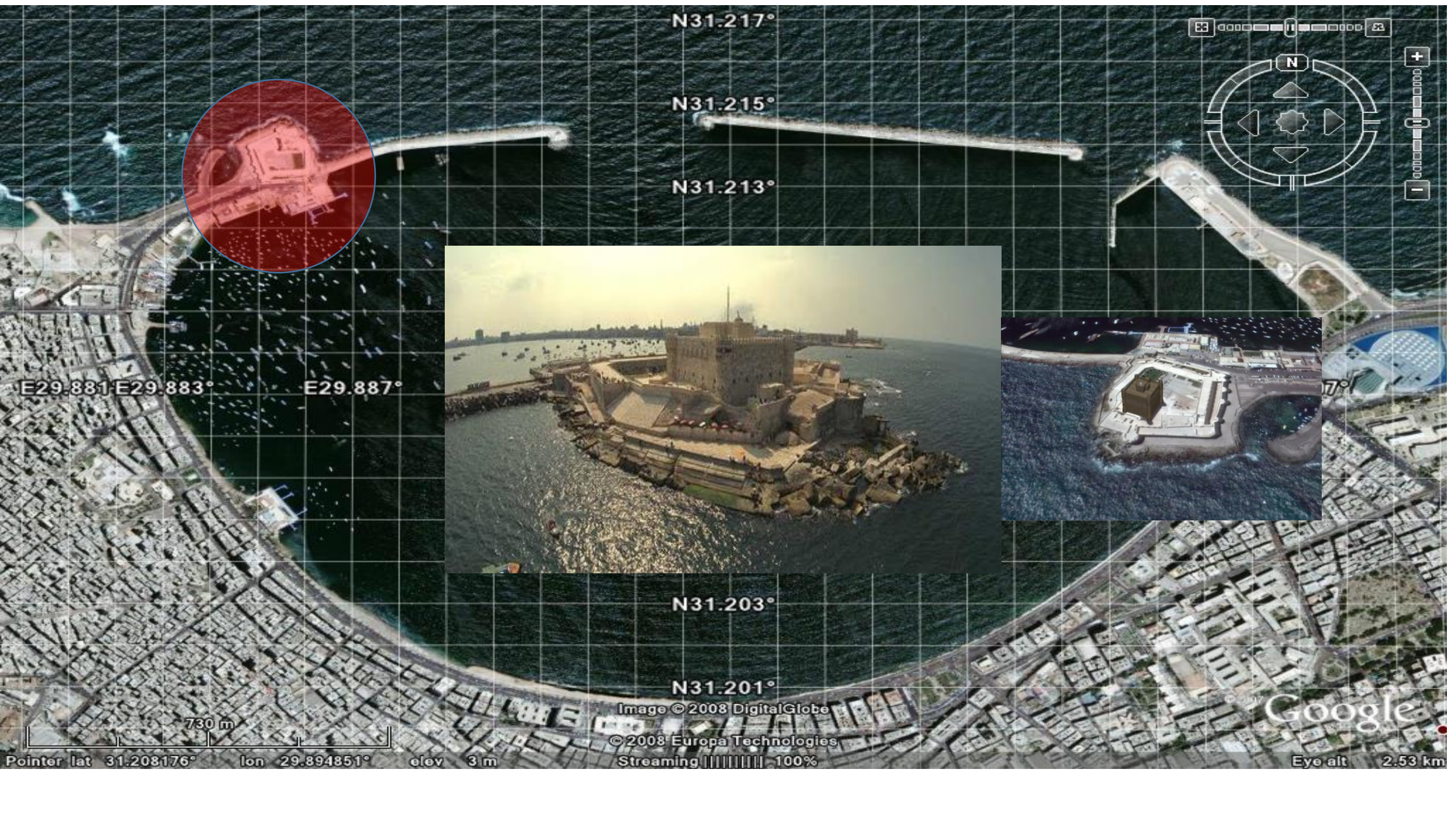
- Egypt is potentially one of the most vulnerable countries to the effects sea level rise (SLR) due to climate change. Due to its relatively low elevation, coastal zone in the Nile River Delta (NRD) is comparatively vulnerable to the impact of SLR.
- Though the Nile River Delta region covers around 5% of the entire territory of Egypt, the expected impacts of SLR on the coastal areas within this region should be a matter of concern for the country for a two main reasons:
 - i) It is estimated that roughly 43% of Egypt's population live along the coastlines of the country, mostly in the Nile River Delta between Alexandria and Port Said,
 - ii) Nearly 70% of the economic activities in the country, including tourism, agriculture, manufacturing and service sectors take place within this region.



شكل (١٠-٥). منظر حديث لواجهة الاسكندرية القديمة من قبل جوديو وأهم مايلفت النظر انه يختلف عن وصف سترابون وكذلك الخرائط القديمة من حيث موقع انتيرودس الذي امكن تحديده الى الغرب من شبه جزيرة نيمونيوم على عكس ما وصف قديما بأنه الى الشرق. (Source:Goddio,2002)

شكل (١١-٥). واجهة حديثة للميناء الشرقي بالاسكندرية (Source:Goggeearth,2009)





N31.217°

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730 m

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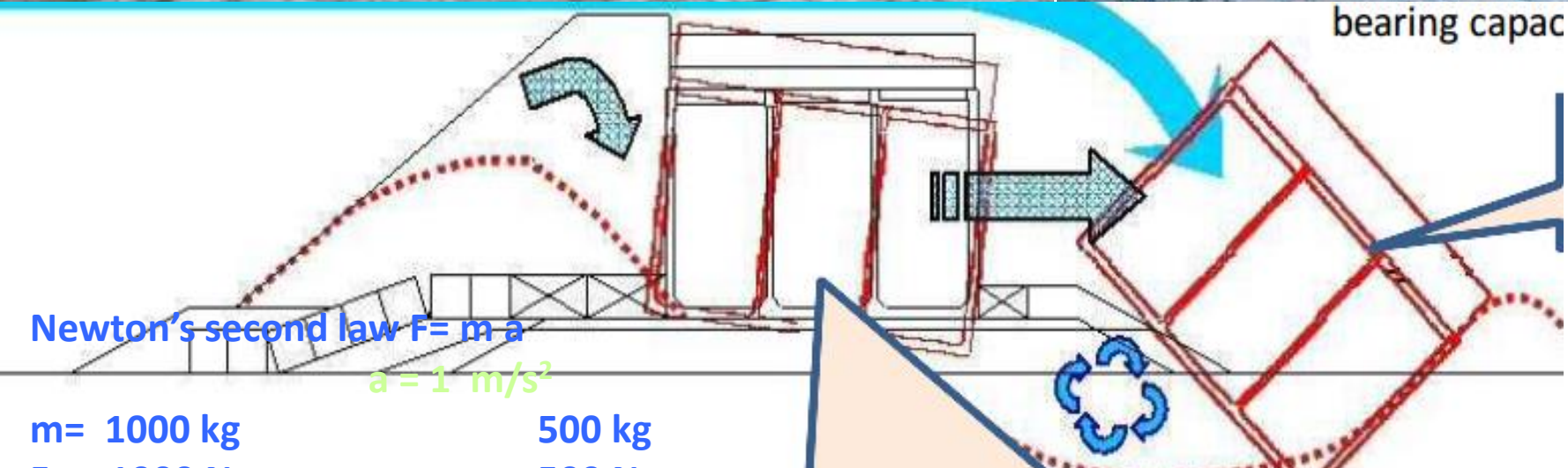
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Streaming 100%

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Pointer lat 31.208176° lon 29.894851° elev 3 m

Eye alt 2.53 km



(1) Sliding and overturning

The design of a breakwater's upright section must be stable against sliding and overturning (Fig. 4.26), and to accomplish this, safety factors against sliding and overturning must be greater than 1.2. In most cases, sliding is more severe than overturning, especially when the breakwater crown is relatively low. The safety factor against sliding due to wave action, SF_s , is defined as follows:

$$SF_s = \mu(W_0 - U) / P \quad (4.36)$$

where μ denotes the coefficient of (static) friction between the upright section and rubble mound, W_0 the weight of the upright section per unit extension in still water, U the total uplift force per unit extension, and P the total horizontal wave force per unit extension calculated by Eqs. (4.17) to (4.27). μ between a concrete slab and rubble stones is usually

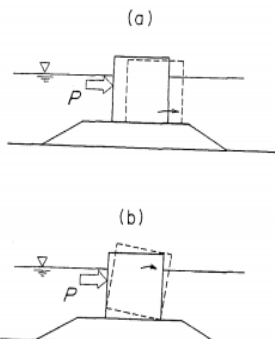


Fig. 4.26 Sliding and overturning of upright section

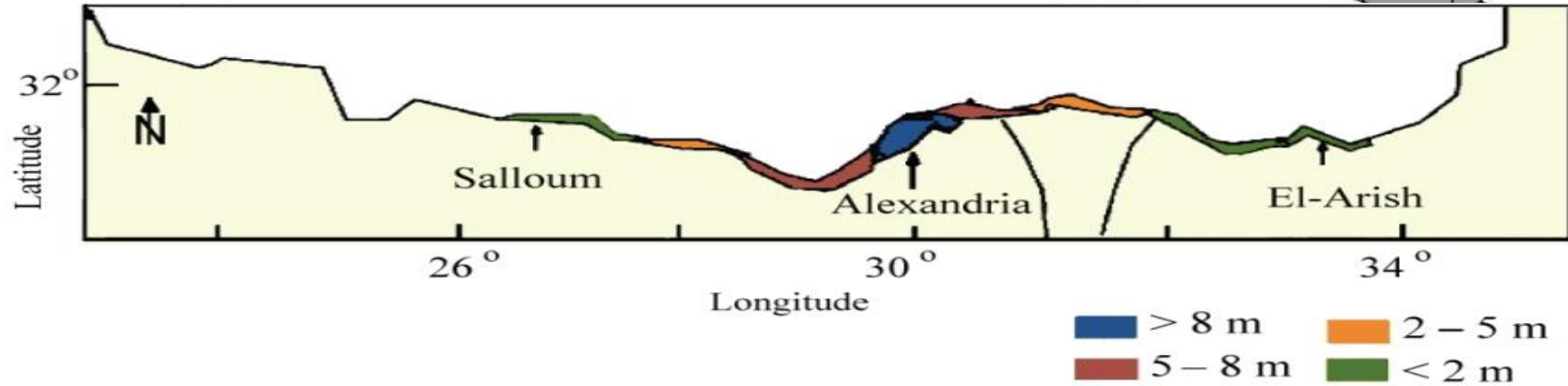
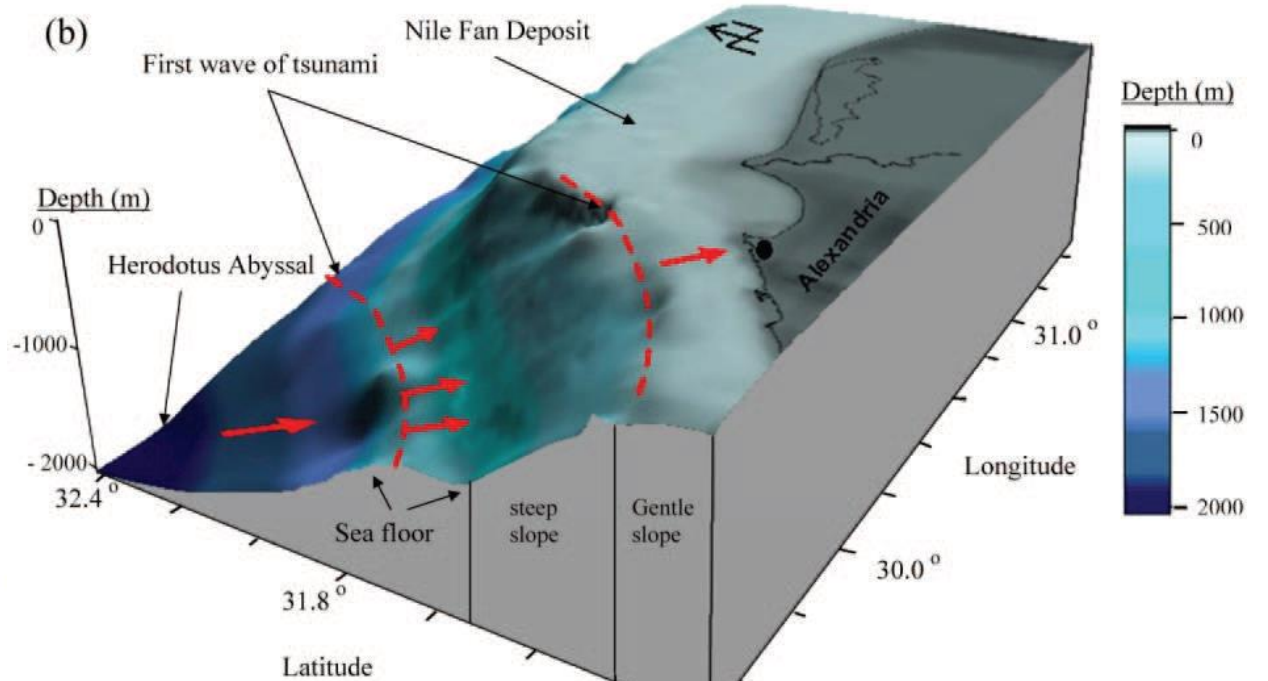
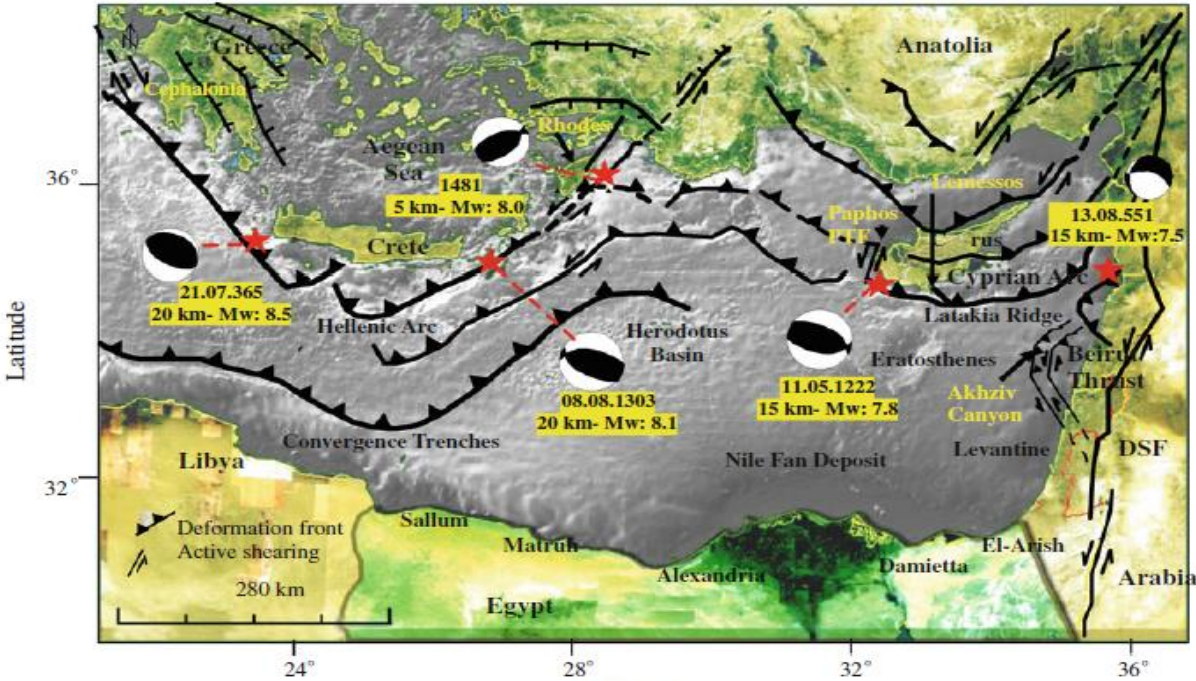


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The National Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries as the focal point of IOC in Egypt has organized several activities on the occasion of the world tsunami awareness day 2021.

1. Distributing informative flyers of the tsunami description, awareness and safety rules to citizens in various neighborhoods of Alexandria;
2. Organizing public seminars in different social clubs and community associations;
3. TV interviews, press articles, Interventions on social media
4. Organizing high level scientific international workshop.

This is based on the role of the institute, not only for research, but also for its role in raising awareness and serving the community.

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Information Brochure by NIOF (Arabic and English)

ماذا تفعل في حالة التسونامي؟

توجه لأقرب منطقة مرتفعة بعيدا عن البحر

وسائل الإنذار المبكر

سماع صفارات الإنذار في المكان

تلقي الأزمات على الهاتف

الاستماع إلى الإنذار عبر الراديو

علامات التسونامي الطبيعية

سماع صوت عالي قدم من البحر

ارتفاع أو انخفاض منسوب سطح البحر

الإحساس بهزة أرضية شديدة

ما هي أمواج التسونامي؟

أمواج تسونامي عبارة عن عدد من الأمواج البحرية طويلة وعلاقة تحدث بسبب اضطراب تحت الماء مثل زلزال أو انهيار أرضي أو ثوران بركاني أو نيزك




اليوم العالمي للتوعية بشأن أمواج تسونامي

ما المقصود بأمواج تسونامي؟

أمواج تسونامي عبارة عن سلسلة من عشرة أمواج محيطية طويلة عملاقة أو أكثر تحدث بسبب اضطراب تحت الماء مثل زلزال، أو انهيار أرضي، أو ثوران بركاني، أو نيزك.

حقائق أساسية

- في المئة عام الماضية، تسبب ٥٨ حدث تسونامي في مقتل ما يزيد عن ٢٦٠,٠٠٠ شخص
- أغلب ضحايا تسونامي في المحيط الهندي عام ٢٠٠٤ كانوا من النساء والأطفال
- يمكن أن يتحرك تسونامي بسرعة ٨٠٥ كم/ساعة
- يها طفرة نفثة ويصل إلى ارتفاع ٣٠ مترا

ما يمكننا فعله

- تثقيف الجمهور بشأن خطر تسونامي
- حماية البنية التحتية الأساسية مثل المدارس، والمستشفيات، والطرق، والمرافق، ومحطات توليد الكهرباء، والهياكل المسرفة، وهياكل البناء، عن طريق نقلها إلى مستويات أعلى إن أمكن وبعيدا عن الشاطئ
- حماية الجدران الطبيعية - الشعاب، والجزر، والمانجروف، والتشجير البحرية
- وضع نظم إنذار مبكر على نحو صحيح
- حماية الحياة البحرية - الشعاب، والجزر، والمانجروف، والتشجير البحرية
- الحد من التعديلات على المعارف التقليدية المتعلقة بالتسويق الأصلية والممارسات التي تركز بشأن أمواج تسونامي واستخدامها للوقاية من الأوبئة

اليوم العالمي للتوعية بشأن أمواج تسونامي




WORLD TSUNAMI AWARENESS DAY

WHAT IS A TSUNAMI?

A tsunami is a series of ten or more giant, long ocean waves created by an underwater disturbance such as an earthquake, landslide, volcanic eruption or meteorite.

KEY FACTS

- In the last 100 years, 58 tsunamis killed more than 260,000 people
- Most victims of the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami were women and children
- A tsunami can move as fast as a jet plane and reach 30 meters high
- 805 km/h



WHAT CAN WE DO

- EDUCATE PEOPLE on tsunami risk
- Protect essential infrastructure such as schools and hospitals, roads, harbours, power plants, banking and building structures, BY RELOCATING THEM AT HIGHER LEVELS if possible and away from the shore
- PROTECT NATURAL BARRIERS - dunes, mangroves and coral reefs
- Have a tsunami HAZARD MAP with shelter or safe areas, which can be reached immediately
- Maintain and use INDIGENOUS AND TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE and practices about tsunamis to save lives
- Have an EARLY WARNING SYSTEM in place

WHO IS AT RISK

- People living by the sea and in earthquake prone zones
- People living in poor quality buildings
- Tourists in sea resorts
- Fishermen at sea
- Fishing communities

National Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries, Egypt





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(ii) Early Warning and Mitigation System Status

- *NIOF is the focal point for the TWS in Egypt. We had one Tide gauge for NEAM-TWS. – receive warning messages from NEAM-TWS - send the warning messages to the different stakeholders*
- ***The national strategy to protect the northern Egyptian coasts from potential tsunami risks aims to:***
 1. *Increasing the flexibility of the northern Egyptian coasts sufficiently in dealing with potential tsunami waves and their effects on different sectors.*
 2. *Laying out the general framework for the executive plans and sectoral programmes.*
 3. *Raising societal awareness by introducing the phenomenon in its probabilistic framework without underestimating or exaggerating.*

		PROVIDE AN IDEA OF EXISTING CAPACITY/CAPABILITY WITHIN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY [Non-existence/ lacking/ available]	NEEDS
1	Detection	Not existing locally in Egypt	Required
1	Monitoring (e.g. IDSL)	Available one Tide gauge under the NEAM Early warning system in addition to other 6 tide gauges distributed along the Egyptian Mediterranean Coast	Required more tide gauges that connected directly for the TWS.
2	Warning / Forecast	Not existing locally in Egypt – receive warning messages from NEAM-TWS	Required
3	Communication & Dessimation	NIOF as the focal point of TWS in Egypt send the warning messages to the different stakeholders	Need more technical support for faster communication
4	Preparedness and Response	Egypt had established The national strategy to protect the northern Egyptian coasts from potential tsunami waves	Need regular updates

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(iii) Status / Elements of Tsunami Ready in the proposed/nominated community site?

- *The national strategy to protect the northern Egyptian coasts from potential tsunami risks*
- *In order to achieve the above-mentioned goals, it is necessary to work on two main axes - in addition to the system of monitoring and early warning of tsunami waves and in parallel at the same time - which are:*
- **A - The first axis: Flexible interventions:** *This axis includes a group of operations and interventions, including:• Building a culture of "safety first" and raising community awareness, taking into account the possibility of the tsunami phenomenon.• Community participation at all levels (governmental, popular, non-governmental and civil society).*
- **B - The second axis: Physical interventions:** *This axis includes a set of structural or engineering procedures and interventions to protect the northern Egyptian coasts.*

UNESCO IOC TSUNAMI READY INDICATORS		PROVIDE AN IDEA OF EXISTING CAPACITY AT THE NOMINATED COMMUNITY [NONE/ ONGOING/ ACHIEVED]
I	ASSESSMENT (ASSESS)	
1	ASSESS-1. Tsunami hazard zones are mapped and designated	Achieved
2	ASSESS-2. The number of people at risk in the tsunami hazard zone is estimated	Achieved
3	ASSESS-3. Economic, infrastructural, political, and social resources are identified	Achieved
II	PREPAREDNESS (PREP)	
4	PREP-1. Easily understood tsunami evacuation maps are approved	Ongoing
5	PREP-2. Tsunami information is publicly displayed	Achieved
6	PREP-2. Outreach and public awareness and education resources are available and distributed	Achieved
7	PREP-3. Outreach or educational activities <u>are held at least three times a year</u>	Achieved
8	PREP-4: A community tsunami exercise is conducted at least every two years	Achieved
III	RESPONSE (RESP)	
9	RESP-1. A community tsunami emergency response plan (ERP) is approved	None
10	RESP-2. The capacity to manage emergency response operations during a tsunami is in place	None
11	RESP-3. Redundant and reliable means to timely receive 24-hour official tsunami alerts are in place	None
12	RESP-4. Redundant and reliable means to timely disseminate 24-hour official tsunami alerts to the public are in place	None

MATCHING NEEDS

- *We need a lot of support in all relevant activities*

UNESCO IOC TSUNAMI READY INDICATORS		PROVIDE AN IDEA OF EXISTING CAPACITY AT THE NOMINATED COMMUNITY [NONE/ ONGOING/ ACHIEVED]	NEEDS
I	ASSESSMENT (ASSESS)		
1	ASSESS-1. Tsunami hazard zones are mapped and designated	Achieved	
2	ASSESS-2. The number of people at risk in the tsunami hazard zone is estimated	Achieved	Require continuous updates
3	ASSESS-3. Economic, infrastructural, political, and social resources are identified	Achieved	Require continuous updates
II	PREPAREDNESS (PREP)		
4	PREP-1. Easily understood tsunami evacuation maps are approved	Ongoing	Required advance evacuation maps
5	PREP-2. Tsunami information is publicly displayed	Achieved	
6	PREP-2. Outreach and public awareness and education resources are available and distributed	Achieved	Recent education resource program for school students
7	PREP-3. Outreach or educational activities <u>are held at least three times a year</u>	Achieved	
8	PREP-4: A community tsunami exercise is conducted at least every two years	Achieved	
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Thank You