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## INDIAN OCEAN WAVE EXERCISE 20 (IOWave20)

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## IOWave20



3 Scenario 2 scenario 1 scenario 2009 2011 2014 2018 2016 2020 H 24 countries · 22 countries · 24 countries

- 18 countries participate 3 counties involve community level
- participate 4 counties involve community level

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- · 24 countries participate
- · 2 counties involve community level
- participate · 2 counties involve
- community level
- · 60.000 communities
- participate
- 11 counties involve community level
- 116.000 communities
- 2 IOTR

- · 20 countries participate
- 6 counties involve community leve
- · 3 Scenarioa

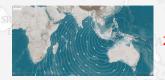
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## **IOWave20 Scenarios**



1. Java Trench

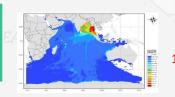
6 October 2020; 03:00 UTC; M9.1; 10 Km; 10.40 S, 112.80 E, South of Java, Indonesia



20 countries under threat

2. Andaman Trench

13 October 2020; 04:00 UTC, M9.2, 10 Km, 12.65 N, 93.50 E. Off West Coast of Andaman Islands. India



18 countries under threat

3. Makran Trench

20 October 2020; 06:00 UTC, M9.0, 10 Km, 24.8 N, 62.2 E, Off Coast of Pakistan



21 countries under threat

### **Lesson Learnt from iowave20**







- Technical guide/manual for exercise in pandemic situation needs to be developed.
- Evacuation Response in pandemic situation needs to be standardize and applicable for all countries;
- Virtual exercise proved to be effective in maintaining the goal of IOWave20 in term of fulfilling objective, but decrease in term of number participants and technical difficulties.
- IOWave should be integrated with the implementation of Tsunami Ready Program in local community;
- Pre and post IOWave evaluation which consist of capacity examination of each countries to design the future IOWave (may refer to 12 indicators tsunami ready)

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## The Recommendations from IOWave20



- IOWave Exercises should use scenarios that are suitable for all Member States to participate, 3 scenarios worked well for coverage.
- Holding the scenarios 1-week apart worked well.
- The Exercise should be conducted in September to avoid the cyclone season [Australia; India] However, after IOWave18 it was noted that September is inconvenient for some countries due to Monsoon and Floods [Pakistan, India, Sri Lanka] and hot weather [Oman].
- Coordinate with PTWS to ensure Exercises occur in opposite years [Australia, Indonesia, Timor Leste].
- International observers should be included in future exercises (such as IORA) [India] and virtual observations should be utilised more widely.
- Consider informing more national leaders of the Exercise in addition to the Tsunami National Contacts.
- Document the lessons learnt and changes triggered from the Exercise (i.e. establish a monitoring mechanism).

### The Recommendations from IOWave20



#### **Downstream**

- Member States should update their SOPs for the pandemic situation with support from WG1-IOTIC.
- Where possible, communities should be encouraged to test/verify the UNESCO-IOC Tsunami Ready Indicators during the Exercise.
- Encourage countries to conduct regular exercises at least every year between IOWaves.
  They could align with communication tests.
- WG1-IOTIC should provide guidelines for conducting virtual table-top exercises.

#### **Upstream**

- Establish a work mechanism between NTWCs and TSPs to solve communication issues (i.e. non-receipt of messages).
- WG-2 to identify reliable tide gauge stations with fast transmission rates.
- Consider having the TSPs send an SMS/email notification whenever there are tsunami product updates (ex. Tide gauge observations).
- Conduct a risk assessment of upstream tsunami warning including dissemination of tsunami warnings, reliable resources, etc.

## The Recommendation to TTDMP



- Conducting exercise in opposite years between IOTWMS and PTWS.
- Encouraged to test/verify the UNESCO-IOC Tsunami Ready Indicators during the Exercise.
- Providing guidelines for conducting virtual table-top exercises.
- Agree common exercise objectives and Exercise success criteria.

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