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Exercise IOWave23 – Overview & Preliminary Results

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TT Meeting – 4 April, 15 June 2023 Meeting with TSP– 12, 18, 25 April, 30 June 2023





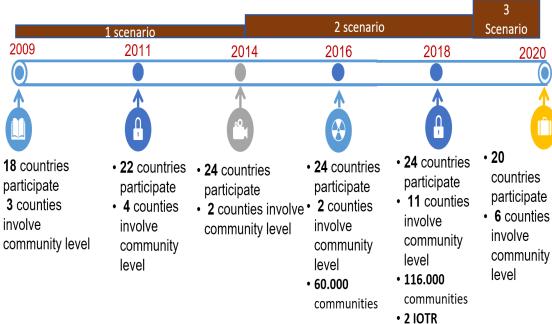


Previous IOWave Exercises





IOWave	Date	Scenario	
IOWave09	14 Sep 2009	Mag 9.2, Northern Sumatra 3.3N, 95.96E	
IOWave11	12 Oct 2011	Mag 9.2, Northern Sumatra 3.30N, 95.96E	200
IOWave14 Day 1	9 Sep 2014	Mag 9.1, South of Java 10.40S, 112.80E	200
IOWave14 Day 2	10 Sep 2014	Mag 9.0, Off Coast of Pakistan 24.80N, 62.20E	A
IOWave16 Day 1	7 Sep 2016	Mag 9.2, Southern Sumatra 1.93S, 99.22E	
IOWave16 Day 2	8 Sep 2016	Mag 9.0, Off Coast of Pakistan 24.80N, 62.20E	• 18 c
IOWave18 Day 1	04 Sep 2018	Mag 9.0, Off Coast of Iran 24.8N, 58.2E	parti • 3 co
IOWave18 Day 2	05 Sep 2018	Mag 9.3, Northern Sumatra 3.30N, 96.0E	invo com
IOWave20 Day 1	06 Oct 2020	Mag 9.1, South of Java 10.40S, 112.80E	
IOWave20 Day 2	13 Oct 2020	Mag 9.2, Andaman Islands 12.63N, 93.50E	
IOWave20 Day 3	20 Oct 2020	Mag 9.0, Off Coast of Pakistan 24.80N, 62.20E	





Purpose:

IOWave23 Exercise Purpose

- To evaluate and improve the effectiveness of the IOTWMS, through its operational TSPs, NTWCs, NDMOs and LDMOs, in responding to a potentially destructive tsunami.
- To test their operational lines of communications, to review their tsunami warning and emergency response SOPs, and to promote emergency and community preparedness.



The following organisations were involved in the Exercise:

- Tsunami Service Providers (TSPs)
- National Tsunami Warning Centres (NTWCs)
- National Disaster Management Organisations (NDMOs)
- Local Disaster Management Organisations (LDMOs)
- Media Organisations
- Local Communities

IOWave23 Objectives are to validate:



Objectives 1 and 2 survey question are to completed with input from DMO and/or NTWC :

- 1. Procedures in place to ensure tsunami warnings get to all in the community, including those with disabilities, all genders, elderly, and youth.
- 2. Level of community awareness, preparedness, and response.

Objective 3 and 4 survey question are to be completed with input from DMO and/or NTWC depending on how tsunami response role are structure in country:

- 3. SOPs within countries for generating and disseminating tsunami warnings to their relevant emergency response agencies, other authorities, media, and the public.
- 4. SOPs within countries for the issuing of public safety messages, ordering evacuations and where possible issuing all-clear messages.

Objectives 5 to 8 survey question are to be completed with input from NTWC :

- 5. Dissemination by TSPs of Tsunami Bulletin Notification Messages to NTWCs via Tsunami Warning Focal Points (TWFPs) of Indian Ocean countries and the reception by NTWCs of the TSP messages.
- 6. Access by NTWCs to the tsunami bulletins and other products on the TSP websites, and the use of that information to produce national warnings. Validate the reporting by NTWCs to the TSPs of their National Tsunami Warning Status.
- 7. Reporting by NTWCs to the TSPs of their National Tsunami Warning Status.
- 8. Receipt and understanding by NTWCs of new TSP service for tsunamis generated by non-seismic and complex sources.



- Member States are invited to participate in at least one scenario or all scenarios (if country fall under threat);
- Member States are encouraged to conduct community evacuations;
- All Member States, particularly those piloting the Programme, are encouraged to use the UNESCO-IOC Tsunami Ready guidelines and indicators to guide their community preparation for IOWave23 exercise.

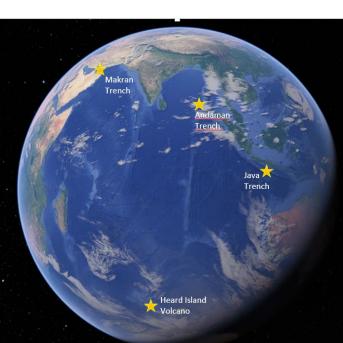
IOWave23 Scenario

	25 countries under threat	20 countries under threat		19 countries under threat
Scenario	1. Andaman Trench	2. Makran Trench	3. Heard Island Volcano	4. Java Trench
Date	4 October 2023 (Wednesday)	11 October 2023 (Wednesday)	18 October 2023 (Wednesday)	25 October 2023 (Wednesday)
Time 04:00 UTC		06:00 UTC	06:00 UTC	02:00 UTC
Magnitude	~M9	~M9	n/a	~M9
Depth	10 km	10 km	n/a	10 km
Latitude	7.20N	24.80N	53.10S	10.40S
Longitude	92.90E	58.20E	73.52E	112.80E
Location	Off west coast of Nicobar Islands, India	North-West Indian Ocean	Kerguelen Islands Region, Southern Ocean	South of Java, Indonesia





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IOWave23 Check List & Timelines

		Intergovernmental Oceanographic	IOWave23
•	Announcement by IOC Circular Letter 2945	May 2023	
•	Set up IOWave23 Exercise National Coordination Committee involving NTWC, LDMOs, NDMOs, and all other important stakeholders including private industry participants.	May 2023	
٠	Decide on level of participation and identify communities for evacuation (where applicable).	May 2023	
•	Assign agency roles including exercise controller, key participants, and observers.	May 2023	
•	Nominate a National Contact for IOWave23.	May 2023	
•	Issue of IOWave23 Exercise Manual by the Secretariat.	May 2023	
•	Secure funding and support for community activities.	Ongoing	
•	Develop a National IOWave23 Exercise Manual to plan/guide activities, including those at community level.	May 2023	
•	Address indicators of UNESCO-IOC Tsunami Ready Recognition Programme or similar national initiative (where appropriate).	Ongoing	
•	Share IOWave23 Exercise in-country participation plans with the ICG/IOTWMS Secretariat.	June 2023	
•	UNESCO-IOC Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) Training Workshops (regionally online and nationally face-to-face).	July - August 2023	
•	Organise and hold pre-exercise national workshop(s) and meeting(s) with key stakeholders including media.	August – Septembe	er 2023
•	Ensure Standard Operating Procedures are in place and up to date.	August – Septembe	er 2023
•	Prepare a media press release.	One week before th	e Exercise
•	Participate in IOWave23 Exercise.	4 / 11 / 18 / 25 Oct.	2023
•	Hold post-exercise hot and cold debriefs.	After the Exercise	
•	Complete the IOWave23 online post-exercise evaluation.	November 2023	
•	Revise and improve SOPs in accordance with lessons learnt during the Exercise.	After the Exercise	
•	IOC-UNESCO Post-IOWave23 Exercise Lessons Learnt Workshop (online).	December 2023	

IOC Circular Letter 2945: Announcement of the Indian Ocean Tsunami Exercise (IOWave23) on 4, 11, 18, and 25 October 2023







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IOC Circular Letter No 2945 (Available in English only)

IOC/VR/BA/RB/ah 4 May 2023

To : ICG/IOTWMS¹ Tsunami National Contacts

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Announcement of the Indian Ocean Tsunami Exercise (IOWave23) Subject on 4, 11, 18, and 25 October 2023

The IOC Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Indian Ocean Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (ICG/IOTWMS) at its 13th session (Bali, Indonesia, 28 November-1 December 2022, decided to organise an Indian Ocean Wave Exercise in 2023 (IOWave23) and established a Task Team to plan and conduct the exercise. At its most recent intersessional meeting, held online on 4 April, and after consultation with key stakeholders, the Task Team IOWave23 decided to conduct IOWave23 with four different scenarios on 8, 11, 18, and 25 October 2023. The four scenarios will allow individual Member States to decide the type and number of exercise scenarios to participate in. This letter provides background information and details of the IOWave23 in which all ICG/IOTWMS Member States are encouraged to participate.

To date six IOWave exercises have been conducted (2009, 2011, 2014, 2016, 2018 and 2020). The exercises have been designed to test the receipt and dissemination of tsunami notifications along national tsunami warning chains, as well as test appropriate responses aligned with pre-established Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). Throughout the IOWave Exercises, the engagement of coastal communities in tsunami education campaions, preparedness measures, and evacuation

ICG/IOTWMS Member States include Australia, Bangladesh, Comoros, Djibouti, France, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kenya, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maidives, Mauritius, Mozambique, Myammar, Orman Pakistan, Syechelles, Singapore, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Thaland, Timor Leste, United Arab Emirates and Yemen

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The Circular Letter announcing Exercise IOWave23 was issued on 4 May 2023.

It requested all Tsunami National Contacts to nominate one National Contact to IOWave23 to oversee completion of post-exercise evaluation.

Nominations received from:

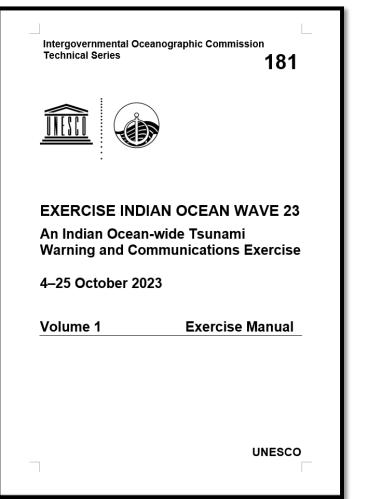
Australia, Bangladesh, France, India, Indonesia, Iran, Kenya, Madagascar, Malaysia, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritius, Mozambique, Myanmar, Oman, Pakistan, Seychelles, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Timor-Leste, and United Arab Emirates (23 Countries)

Nominations not received from:

Comoros and Yemen (2 Countries).

IOWave23 Manual & Supplements





- The IOWave23 Exercise manual was completed in July and the Supplements (4) were completed in August 2023.
- The **manual** provides an overview *Purpose*, *Objectives*, *Scope*, *Exercise Success Criteria*, *Types of Exercise*, *Scenarios*, *Dates*, *Checklist of Activities for Member States*, *Exercise Evaluation*, *Exercise Observers*
- The supplements contain all TSP bulletins and products
- All information and documents was be made available on the exercise website:

https://oceanexpert.org/event/3916

Pre-IOWave23 Briefs for Member States



Exercise IOWave23 briefs were provided to all Member States as part of the Standard Operating Procedure workshops in July and August 2023.

- Western Indian Ocean Member States Training Workshop on Standard Operating Procedures for National Tsunami Warning Centres and Disaster Management Organisations (online), 3-6- July 2023
- Eastern Indian Ocean Member States Training Workshop on Standard Operating Procedures for National Tsunami Warning Centres and Disaster Management Organisations (online), 10-13- July 2023
- Northwest Indian Ocean Member States Training Workshop on Standard Operating Procedures for National Tsunami Warning Centres and Disaster Management Organisations (online), 7-8 August 2023

The workshops included information on:

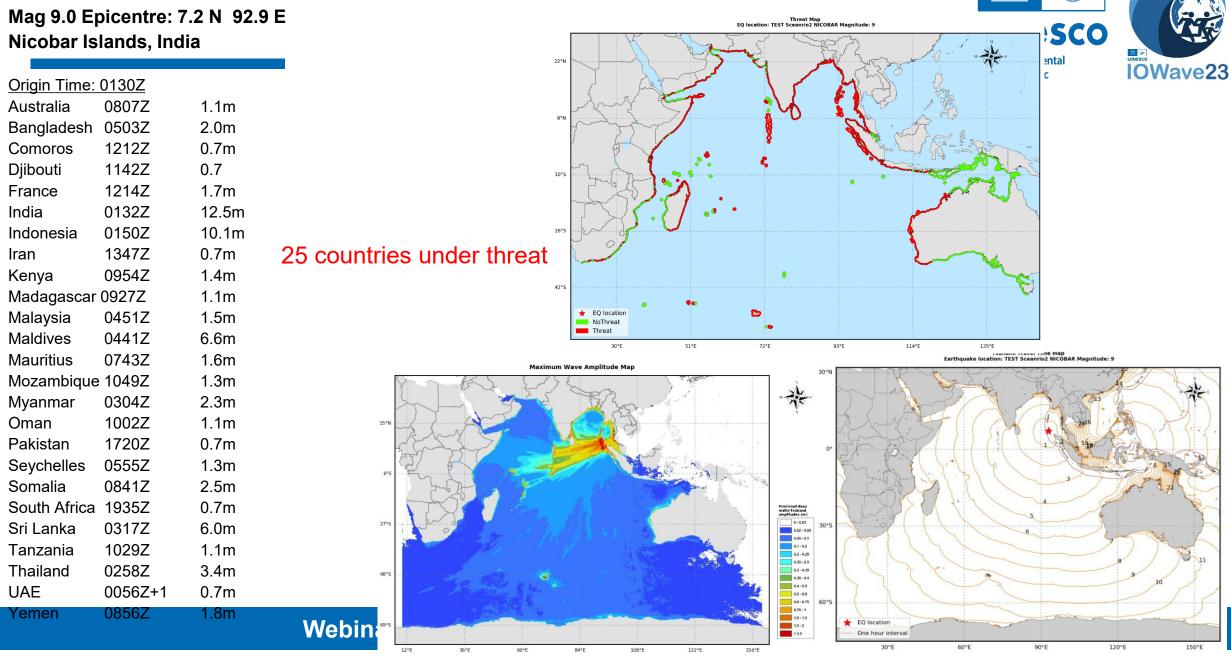
- Exercise IOWave23 and scenarios
- New TSP Products for tsunamis generated by tsunami and complex sources
- Accessing products on TSP websites
- Participation of DMOs and communities in Exercise IOWave23
- How to plan, conduct and evaluate exercises

Exercise IOWave23

- Exercise IOWave23 was successfully conducted on 4, 11, 18, and 25 October 2023.
- The 3 IOTWMS Tsunami Service Providers of Australia, India, and Indonesia issued tsunami bulletins in real-time.
- 19 IOTWMS Member States completed the online survey: Australia, Bangladesh, France (Indian Ocean Territories), India, Indonesia, Iran, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, Myanmar, Oman, Pakistan, Seychelles, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Thailand, and United Arab Emirates.



Nicobar Islands, India – M9.0 – Andaman Trench



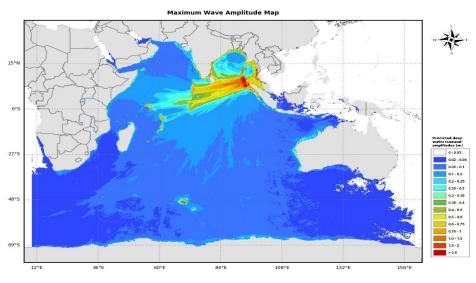
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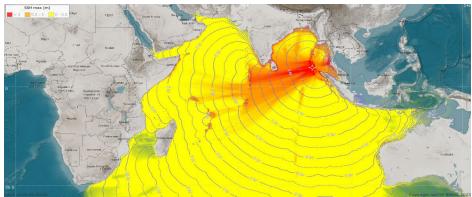




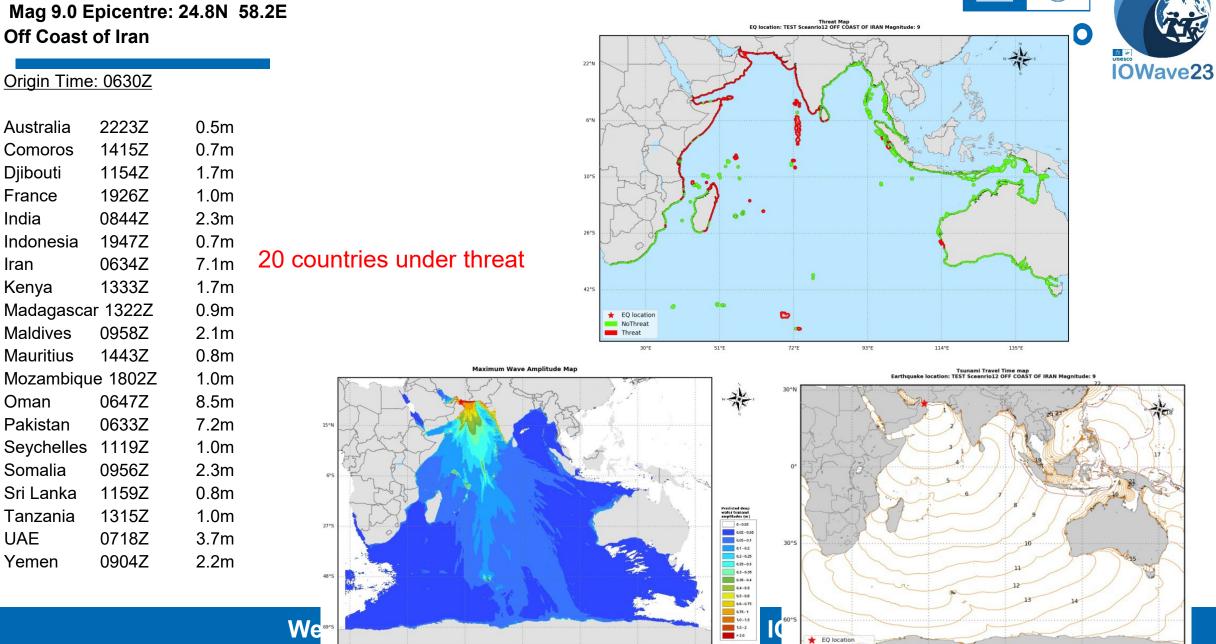
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04-Oct-23	0400		Earthquake occurs
04-Oct-23	0408	1	Earthquake Bulletin (M8.6)
04-Oct-23	0415	2	Potential Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	0430	3	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	0500	4	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	0600	5	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	0700	6	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	0800	7	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	0900	8	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	1000	9	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	1100	10	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	1200	11	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	1300	12	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	1400	13	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	1500	14	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
04-Oct-23	1600	15	Final Bulletin

Maximum Wave Amplitude Map





Off Coast of Iran– M9.0 – Makran Trench



36°E

60°E

84°E

108°E

132°E

156°E

30°E 60°E 90°E 120°E 150°

One hour interva

Scenario – 2 Off Coast of Iran, M9.0 Mwp, 11 October 2023 0600 UTC.

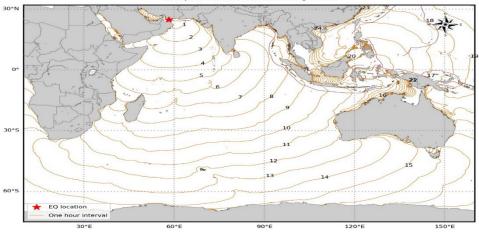




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11-Oct-23	0630	3	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	0700	4	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	0800	5	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	0900	6	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	1000	7	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	1100	8	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	1200	9	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	1300	10	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	1400	11	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	1500	12	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	1600	13	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	1700	14	Confirmed Threat (M9.0)
11-Oct-23	1800	15	Final Bulletin

Tsunami Travel Time Map





Scenario – 3 Heard Island Volcano

Epicentre: 53.10S 73.52E KERGUELEN ISLANDS REGION

Origin Time: 0000 Z

Australia	0615Z
Comoros	0818Z
France	0134Z
India	1031Z
Indonesia	0844Z
Kenya	0929Z
Madagasca	r 0554Z
Maldives	0903Z
Mauritius	0555Z
Mozambique	e 0702Z
Myanmar	1155Z
Oman	1136Z
Seychelles	0733Z
Somalia	0928Z
South Africa	0353Z
Sri Lanka	0954Z
Tanzania	0908Z
Thailand	1145Z
Timor Leste	1012Z
Yemen	1046Z



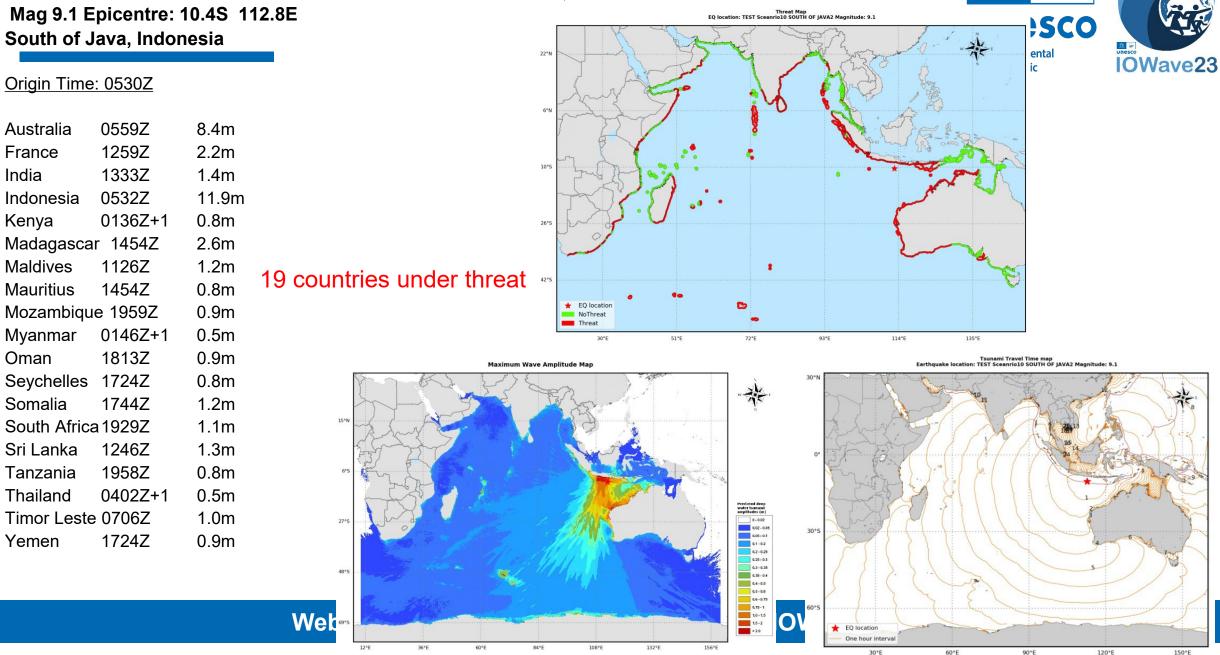
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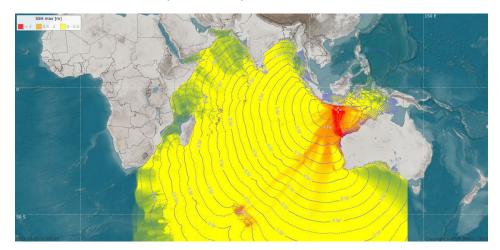
Scenario – 4 South of Java, Indonesia, M9.1 Mwp, 25 October 2023 0200 UTC

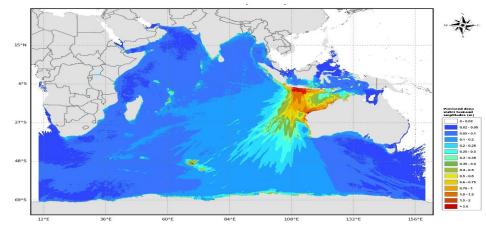




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25-Oct-2023	0200		Earthquake occurs
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25-Oct-2023	0215	2	Potential Threat (M8.8)
25-Oct-2023	0230	3	Confirmed Threat (M9.1)
25-Oct-2023	0300	4	Confirmed Threat (M9.1)
25-Oct-2023	0400	5	Confirmed Threat (M9.1)
25-Oct-2023	0500	6	Confirmed Threat (M9.1)
25-Oct-2023	0600	7	Confirmed Threat (M9.1)
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25-Oct-2023	1100	12	Confirmed Threat (M9.1)
25-Oct-2023	1200	13	Confirmed Threat (M9.1)
25-Oct-2023	1300	14	Confirmed Threat (M9.1)
25-Oct-2023	1400	15	Final Bulletin

Maximum Wave Amplitude Map





Participation



IOTWMS Member States participation in the scenarios included:

• Andaman Trench Scenario

Bangladesh, India, Madagascar, Myanmar, Seychelles, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand (8 Member States)

• Makran Trench Scenario

India, Iran, Oman, Pakistan, United Arab Emirates (5 Member States)

• Heard Island Scenario

Australia, South Africa, Tanzania (3 Member States)

• Java Trench Scenario

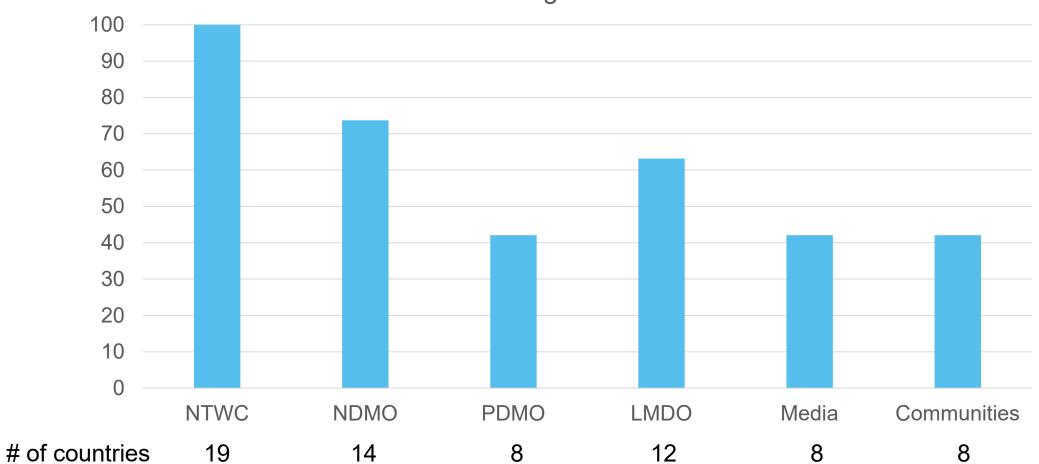
Australia, France, Indonesia, Maldives, Mauritius (5 Member States)

<u>Multiple Scenarios</u>

Australia, India (2 Member States)

Stakeholder Involvement

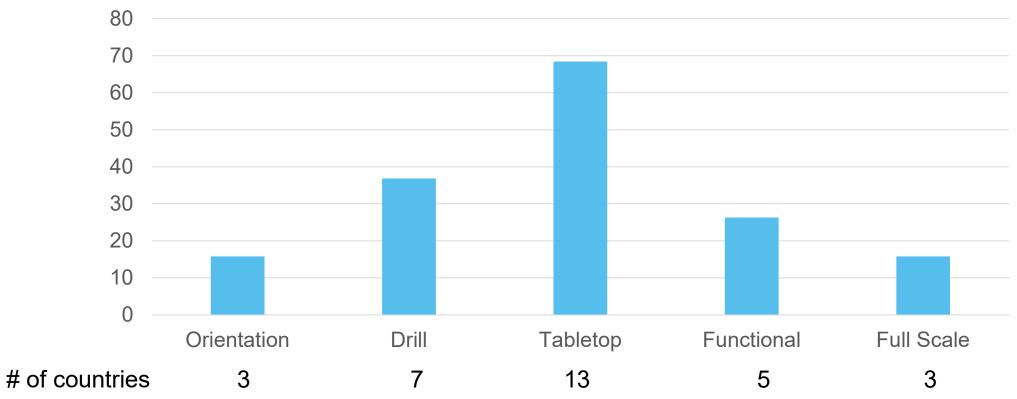




% Countries involving different Stakeholders



Types of Exercises Conducted



% of Countries participating in each Exercise Type

Receipt of TSP notification messages



TSP Notification Messages		Received	Received	Not	Total MS
		in Time	Late	Received	Reporting
	GTS	94%	0%	6%	16
TSP-Australia	Fax	21%	21%	57%	14
ISP-AUSTI dild	Email	88%	6%	6%	16
	SMS	53%	0%	47%	15
	GTS	86%	7%	7%	14
TSP-India	Fax	58%	0%	42%	12
13P-Inula	Email	93%	0%	7%	14
	SMS	54%	0%	46%	13
	GTS	93%	0%	7%	14
TSP-Indonesia	Fax	31%	15%	54%	13
ISF-IIIUUIIESId	Email	86%	7%	7%	14
	SMS	42%	17%	42%	12

GTS and Email showed high rates of receipt while fax while SMS showed low rates of receipt across all Tsunami Service Provides.

These results and consist with the June 2023 communications test.

Member State contact details for receipt of TSP notification messages should be verified (Secretariat).



Inclusive Tsunami Warning & Mitigation

"Early Warnings for All"

At least nine (9) IOTWMS Member States have procedures in place to ensure tsunami warnings get to all in the community including those with disabilities, all genders, elderly, and youth.

Of the eight (8) countries that held **pre-exercise awareness activities**, 75% (6) reported that the activities catered for people with disabilities, all genders, elderly, and youth.

Of the nine (9) countries with **evacuation maps**, 78% (7) reported the maps account for evacuation of disabled persons, all genders, elderly, and youth.











At least seven (7) IOTWMS Member States held community evacuations including India, Indonesia, Iran, Maldives, Mauritius, Sri Lanka, and the United Arab Emirates

- India: Over 40,000 people from around 42 coastal villages, including community members, school students, and the elderly, were evacuated to shelters/safe places during the Andaman trench scenario.
- Indonesia: 11 coastal provinces participated in the Java trench scenario with the evacuation of over 1,650 community members.
- **Iran:** About **500** people in Chabahar and Jask undertook community evacuations during the Makran trench scenario.









- Maldives: In Baa Kendhoo evacuations of community members including vulnerable groups took place during the Java scenario.
- **Mauritius:** Evacuations were carried out at Quatres Soeur and Riviere Des Galets where about **100** people including adults, children, elderly, and disabled people moved to higher ground. In Rodrigues, about 200 people were evacuated from Gravier, St Francois, and Pointes Coton.
- Sri Lanka: Nearly 2,000 people participated in community and school evacuations. The communities of Pudawaikkadu Village, Maruthankudah Village, and Sagarapura Village (Trincomalee District) included persons with disabilities, pregnant and lactating mothers, elderly, and children in the drill.
- **United Arab Emirates:** An evacuation exercise was held in Al Righailat area in the Emirate of Fujairah. In total, approximately **500** people participated including residents, visitors, local authorities, and non-governmental organisations. Participation included all community categories: men, women, children, elders, youth, and people with disabilities.

Community Evaluation of Tsunami Ready Indicators

At least seven (7) IOTWMS Member States used Exercise IOWave23 as an opportunity to evaluate the UNESCO-IOC Tsunami Ready indicators in communities.

- India: 32 communities in Odisha
- Indonesia: 7 communities: 1) Serangan Bali, 2) Cikakak Jawa Barat,
 3) Pangarangan Banten, 4) Glagah Yogjakarta, 5) Kemadang Yogjakarta, 6) Sidaurip Jawa Tengah, 7) Tambakrejo Jawa Timur
- Iran: Jask
- Maldives: B. Kendhoo
- Sri Lanka: 1) Senthoor Grama Niladari and 2) Jayanara Grama Niladari
- **Thailand:** 1) Banaownang Tambon Aow Nang Meung District, Krabi Province and 2) Bannamkem, Tambon Bangnuang, Takua Pa District, Phang Nga Province
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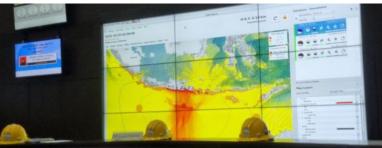


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Finalising Report on Exercise IOWave23

Next steps for Task Team on IOWave23 together with Secretariat

- 1. Review survey responses
- 2. If more information is required, write to IOWave23 Exercise Contacts
- 3. Compile all survey results
- 4. Get 1-page country summaries from all Member States
- 5. Summarise recommendations from the post-Exercise IOWave23 webinar
- 6. Draft Exercise Report based on:
 - Survey results
 - 1-page country summaries
 - Recommendations from post-IOWave23 webinar
- 7. Seek feedback from Member States on Draft Report
- 8. Adoption of report by ICG/IOTWMS (at 14th Session in Jakarta, December 2023) and UNESCO-IOC
- 9. Publication of report as IOC Technical Series 181, Volume 2



Content of Exercise IOWave23 Report





1. Introduction

Background, Exercise Content, and Participation

2. Exercise Objectives and Results Objectives 1-8 (based on survey responses)

3. Success Criteria of the Exercise

Planning, organization and conduct Reported benefits Suggested improvements for future exercises

4. Country Reports

Overall participation Community evacuations Evaluating Tsunami Ready Indicators

5. Observer Reports

6. Lessons Learnt Webinar on Exercise IOWave23

New TSP products non-seismic generated tsunami Involving communities in IOWave exercises Exercising Tsunami Ready Indicators Recommendations for next IOWave Exercise