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# Israel - Tsunami preparedness in numbers

- ✓ ***24 Coastal cities***
  - ✓ ***7 Coastal National Parks***
  - ✓ ***1 Government resolution***
  - ✓ ***1400 tsunami signs (tsunami hazard zone, escape routes, assembly zones).***
  - ✓ ***2 National tsunami early warning teams (“Wave watch”, “Lighthouse”)***
  - ✓ ***3 IDSL tide gauges (Upgraded to the latest Miros tide gauge) for early warning***
  - ✓ ***2 National/International “Boots on the ground” exercises (Including the coastal local authorities) – about 130,000 participants***
  - ✓ ***7 National Tabletop exercises (Including the local authorities)***
  - ✓ ***1 VR tsunami simulator – Practice by all 7th graders of the Israeli education system – about 100,000 students each year***



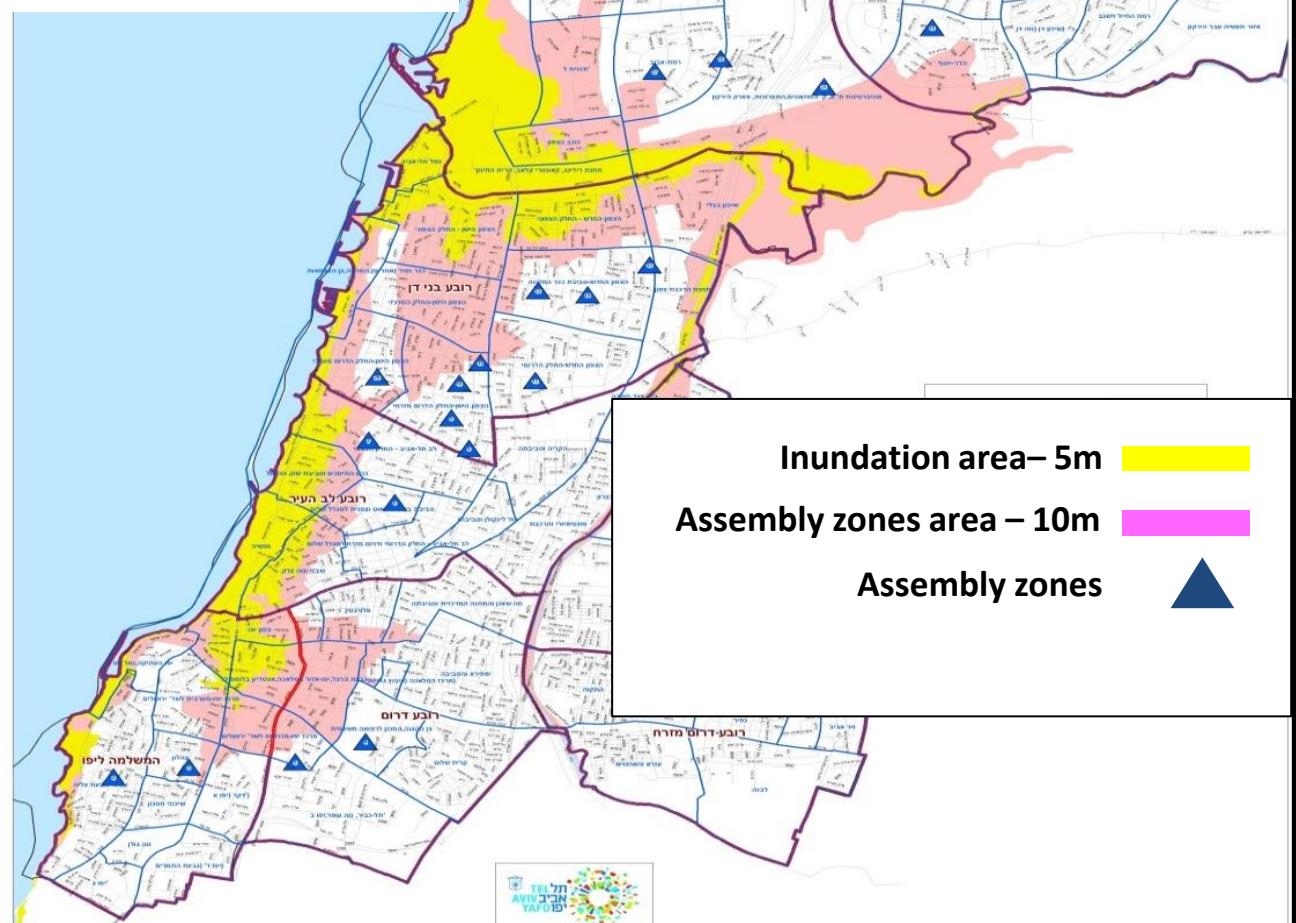
# Increasing coastal cities resilience

- *Planning Escape Routes by analyzing risk areas  
(Hazardous materials, restricted areas, etc.)*
  
- *Placing of dedicated signs*

# National framework for tsunami preparedness



## The city of Tel Aviv - Inundation map – 5m

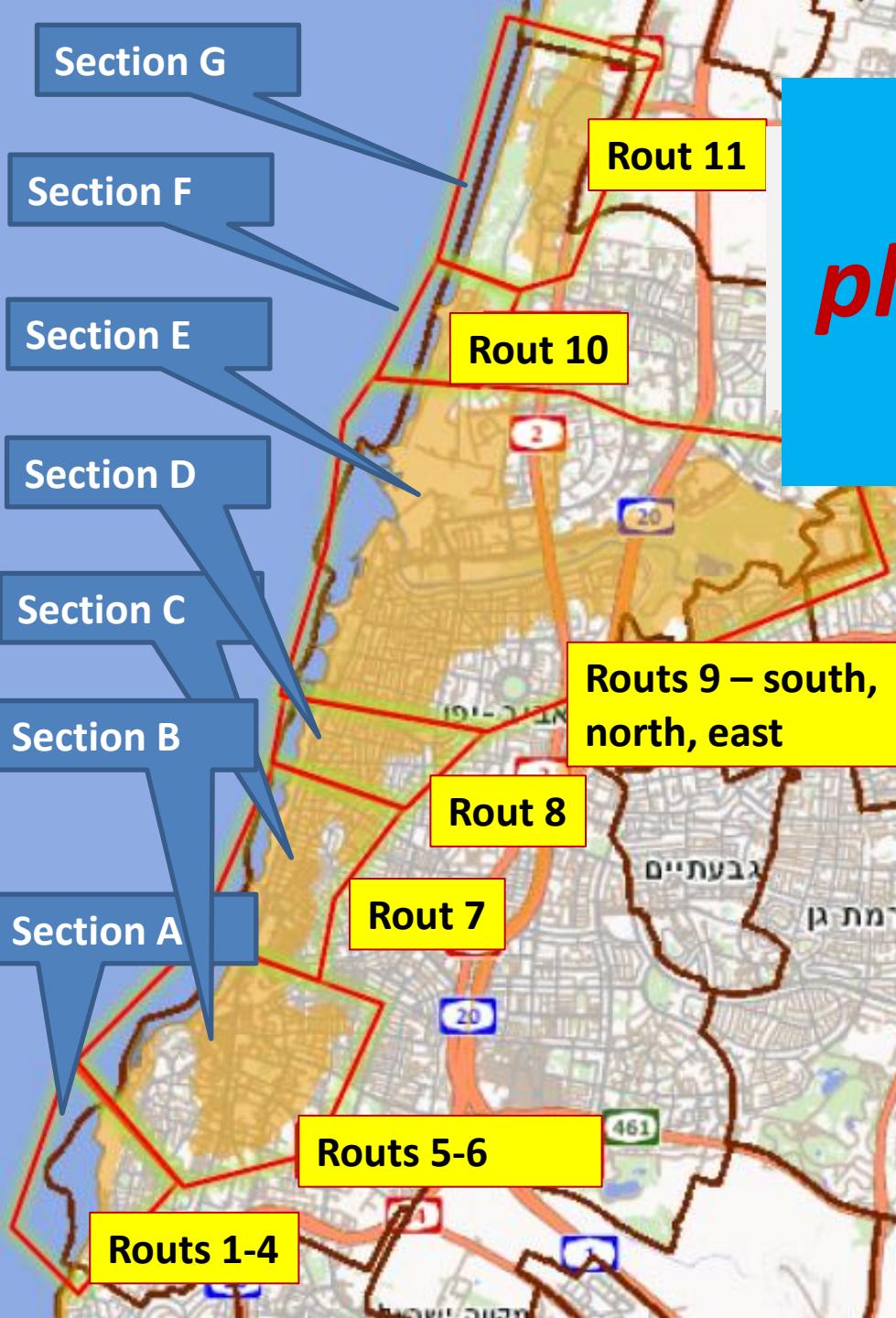


assembly zones over 10 m

height	Name	No.
10	ב"ס עירוני ב' ג'	1
10	ב"ס יד שפרא	2
11	כיכר רבין	3
11	მთხმ დრება აინ	4
11	ב"ס אליאנס	5
12	კანტრი რმატ აბიბ	6
13	ב"ס תל נורדהו	7
13	ב"ס עירוני ვ'	8
15	თიკონ ჩაშ	9
16	ციც მსრიკ	10
16	მრც კრილუ ბი ბრით	11
17	ციც მდინა	12
18	ბ"ს ბლფორ	13
18	ბი ბალიკ	14
19	ბ"ს გერიალი	15
19	ბ"ს გიმნასია რაცლია	16
20	ბ"ს დოდ ილი	17
21	მთხმ ბემა	18
22	ბ"ს ბროშიმ	19
25	ფარკ ზორშოთ	20
33	ბ"ს აზია	21

# *The city of Tel Aviv - Inundation area*





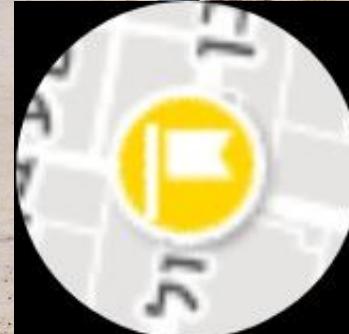
# *Escape routes planning for Tel Aviv area*



### Rout 6 south

Wing	Assembly zone	Area	Max. length
Jaffa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The top park</li> <li>Russian church</li> <li>Jerusalem av.</li> </ul>	Bloomfield	1400 m
<b>Signs quantity</b>			
	Warning signs	4	
	Escape routes signs	18	
	Assembly zone signs	5	
	<b>Sum</b>	<b>27</b>	

The map shows a satellite view of the Bloomfield area in Tel Aviv. It highlights several assembly zones labeled A through H, each marked with a green triangle icon. Blue lines represent escape routes. Numerous red-numbered boxes indicate the presence of various signs. A legend on the left side of the map provides key symbols: a green triangle for assembly zones, a blue line for escape routes, and a yellow triangle for warning signs. Four specific locations are circled in yellow: assembly zone A (top left), assembly zone F (center left), assembly zone D (bottom left), and assembly zone H (bottom center).



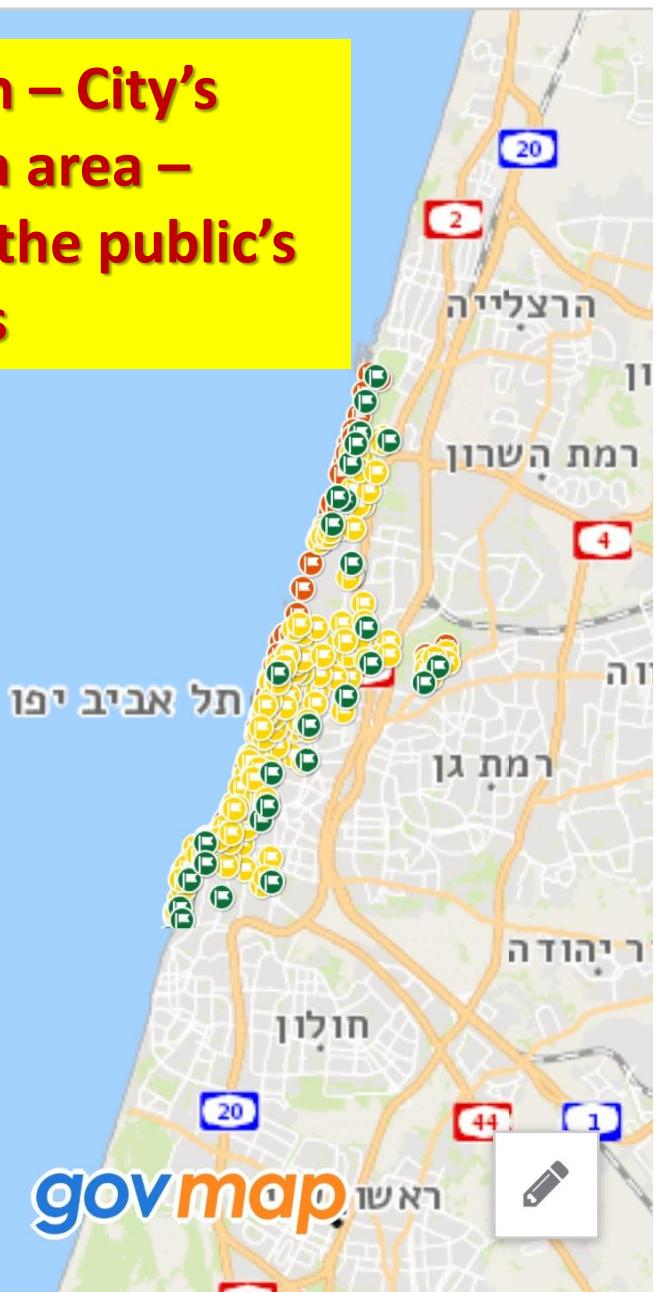


# Tsunami smart mapping – Ongoing project

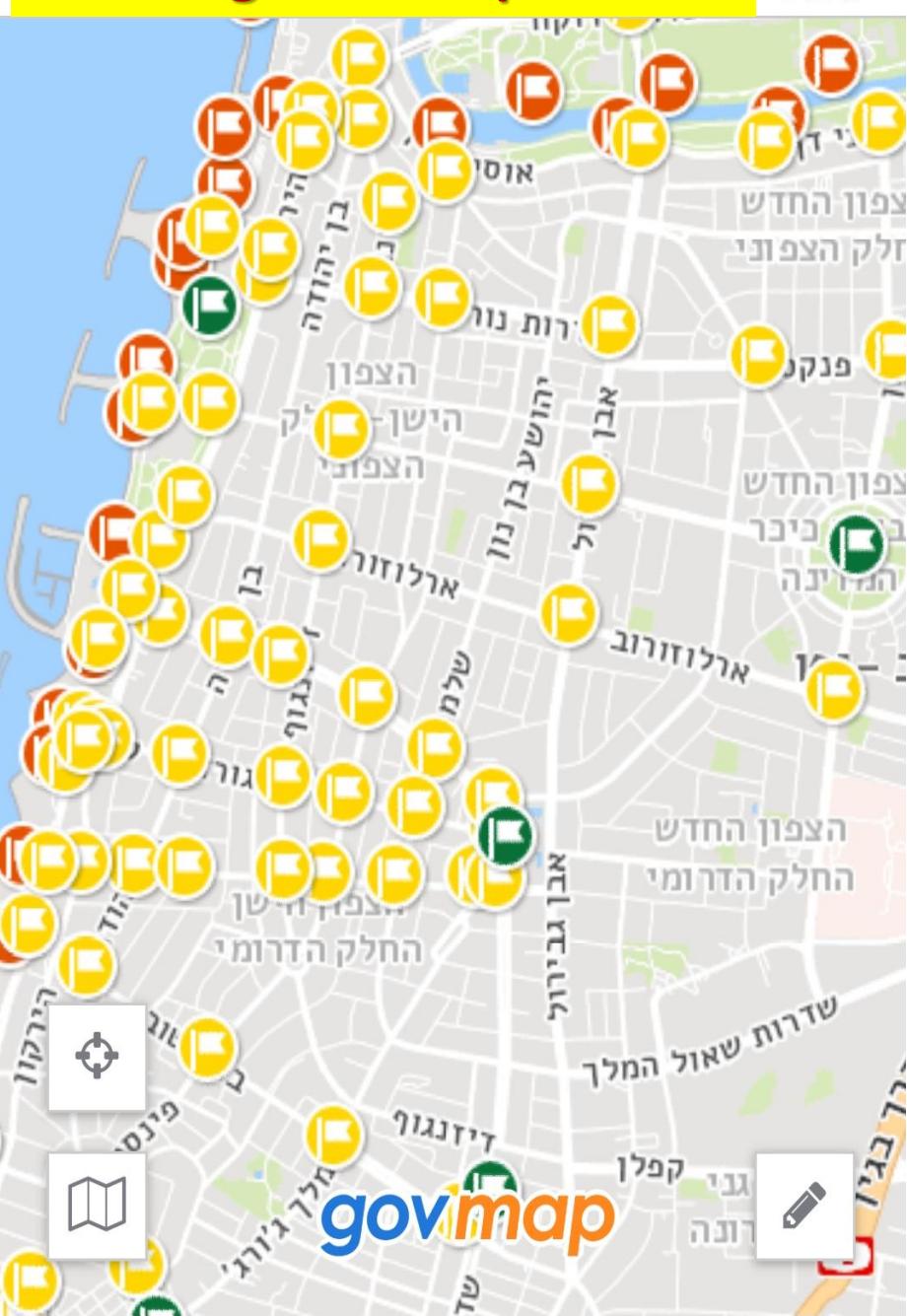
## On Israel's government GIS (open to the public)

- ✓ The location of the signs on the GIS map creates the escape routes, from the Tsunami hazard zone sign to the assembly zone sign.
  - ✓ Scanning the Barcode on the Assembly zone sign will display the necessary emergency information to the current location and will indicate the local authority of the presence of people in need at that specific assembly zone

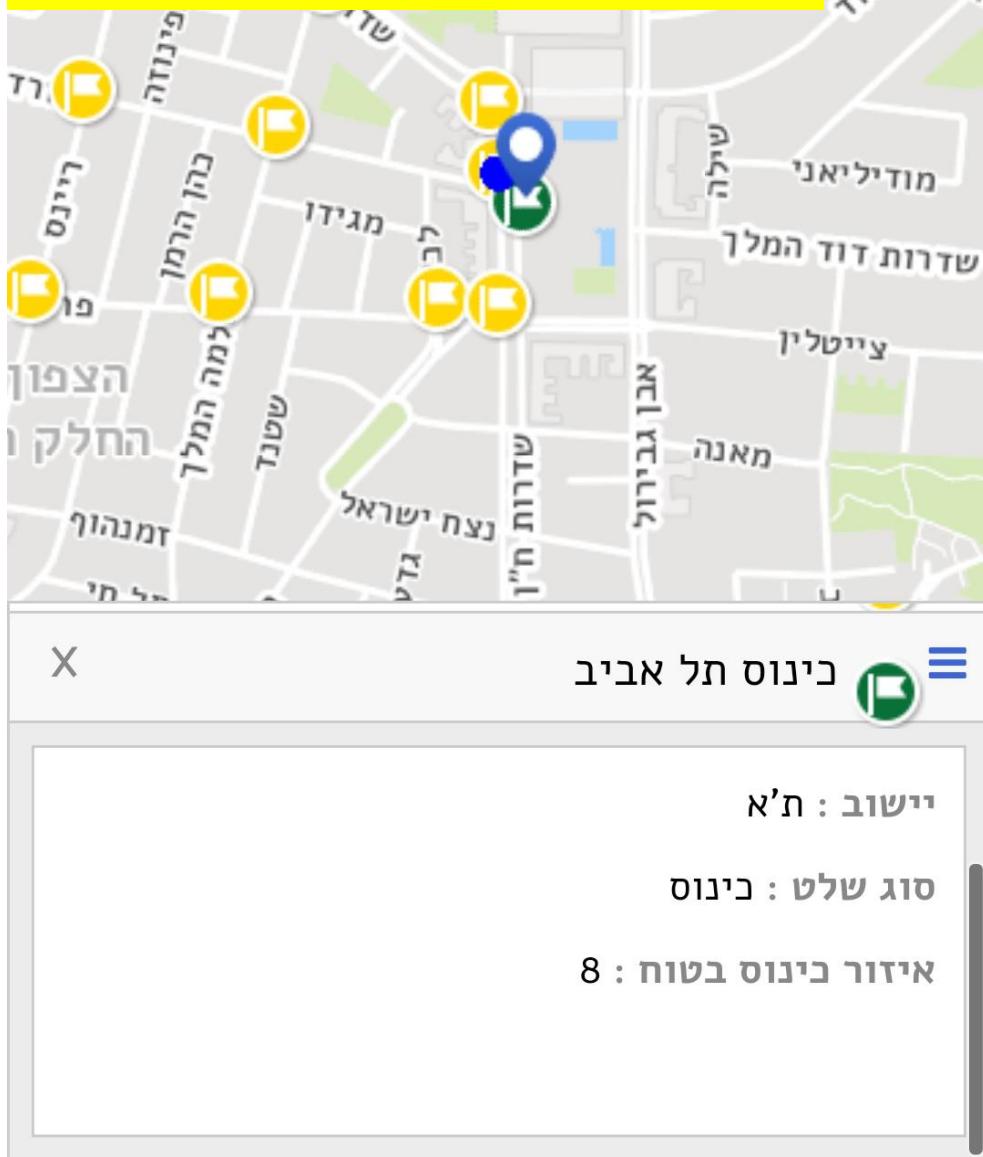
## Zooming in – City's Inundation area – related to the public's necessities



## Zooming in – Escape routs



# Clicking the Assembly zone sign – Getting a necessary emergency information



## **Future – Necessary emergency information - for the public and for the local authority**

**Tsunami hazard zone sign** – the distance to the closest assembly zone.

## Assembly zone sign -

- Assembly zone number (given by the local authority)
  - Emergency units that are responsible to arrive this assembly zone
  - Amount of people it can contains
  - The closest hospital
  - Emergency contact phone numbers
  - etc.



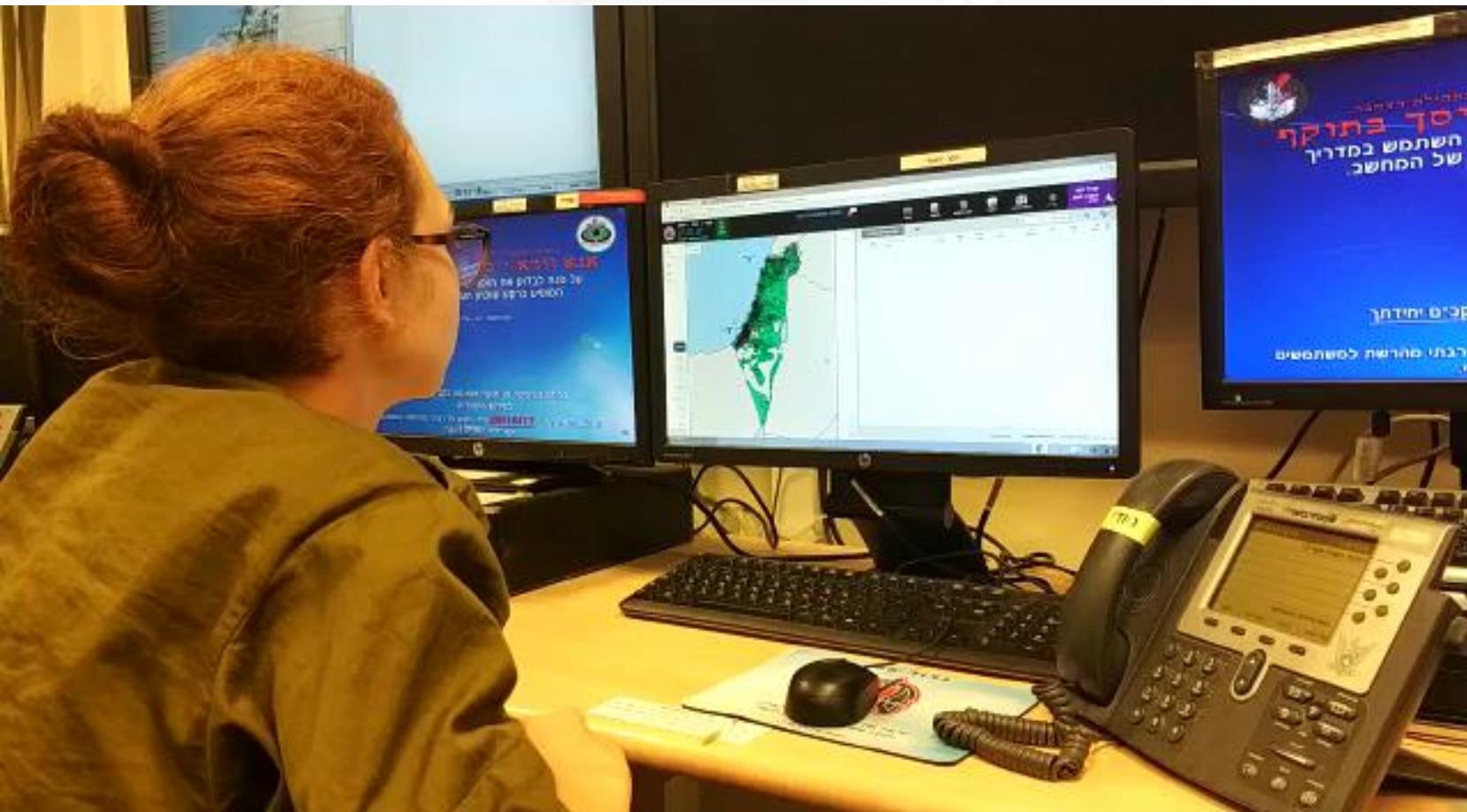
**Regional Early warning system**

***3 IDSL tide gauges (Upgraded to the latest Miros tide gauge)***

# *Home Front Command - Alert distribution*

Distributing the tsunami alert through the alert operations room to coastal polygons

Getting a call from the Home Front Command's headquarter



Sirens





# Operative instructions to the public



12:31

יום רביעי, 10 במא

פיקוד העורף

חשש מפני פגיעה גל  
צונאמי בחופי ישראל

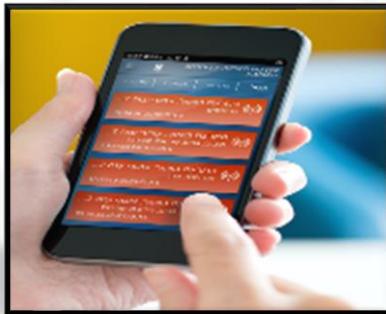
התרכזנו מתחזק לתרחיק קילומטר לפחות ואמ לא  
ויתן, עליה לקומה רבייה ומעלה של כינון קרוב.

By SMS and social media platforms and by police and home front command's call centers

## Available platforms



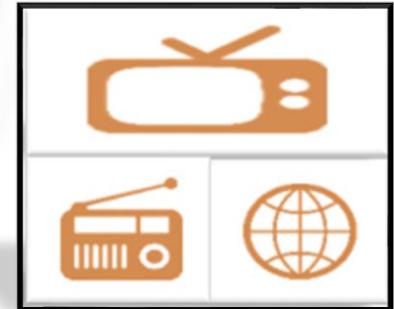
Social media +  
call centers



SMS: Alert +  
instructions

Media

Radio



Outbreak to media:  
Alert + instructions

***Home front command exercise – loudspeakers alerting the public (250m from the loudspeaker)***





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# Raising awareness for earthquake and tsunami

An experiential geography lesson on earthquake and tsunami:

*Simulator for tsunami and earthquake practice in virtual reality*



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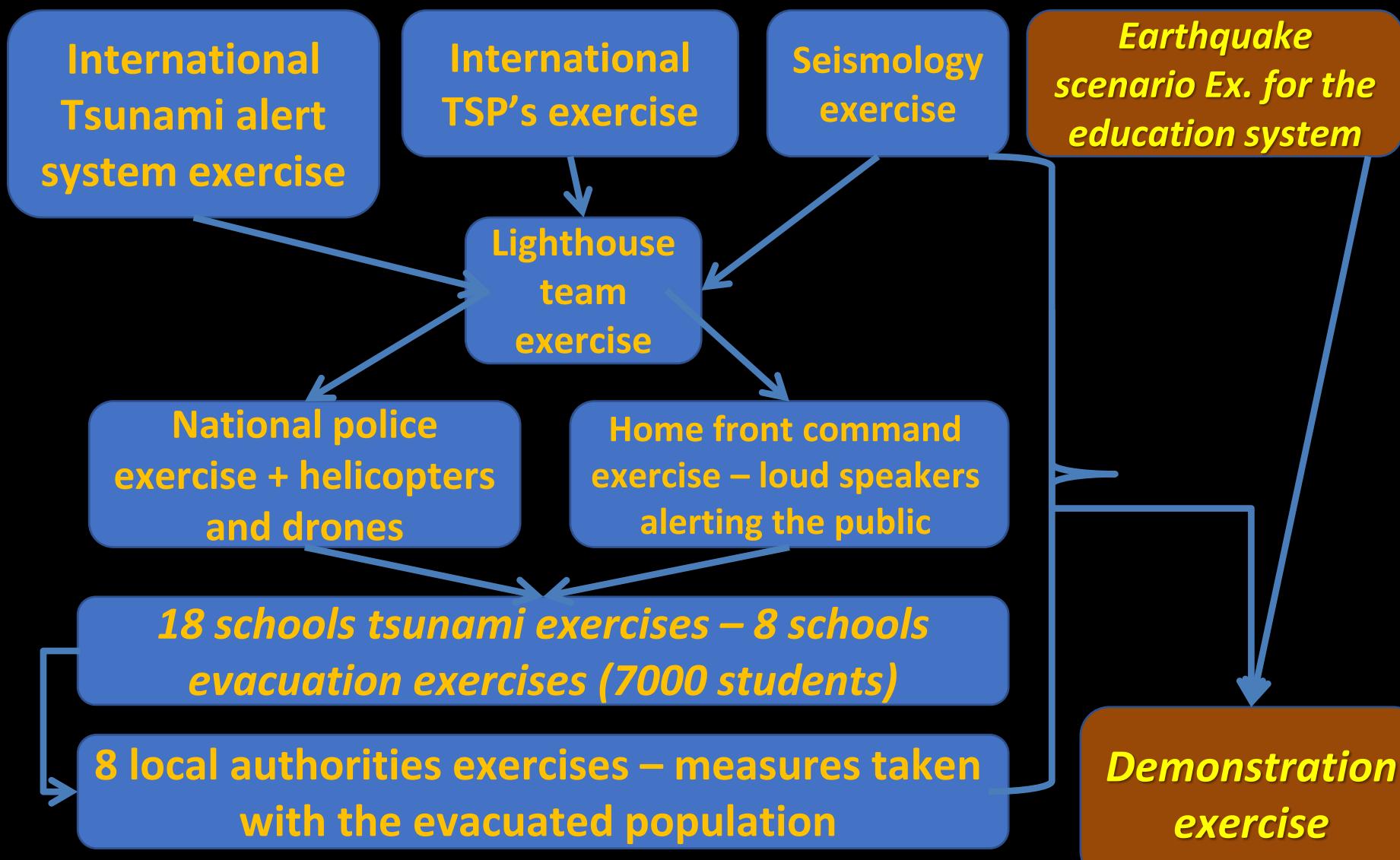


# Tsunami exercise for Israel's education system

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# *Performed exercises*



# *Demonstration exercise – Independence park, Tel Aviv*



# *Global exposure – demonstration exercise*



# Thank You

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