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TSUNAMI EARLY WARNING SYSTEMS

AND THE PACIFIC TSUNAMI WARNING CENTER (PTWC) ENHANCED PRODUCTS
TSUNAMI EVACUATION PLANNING AND UNESCO IOC TSUNAMI READY PROGRAMME

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13.2 Improving Response and Managing Information Flow

Media and Social Media - Good Practices

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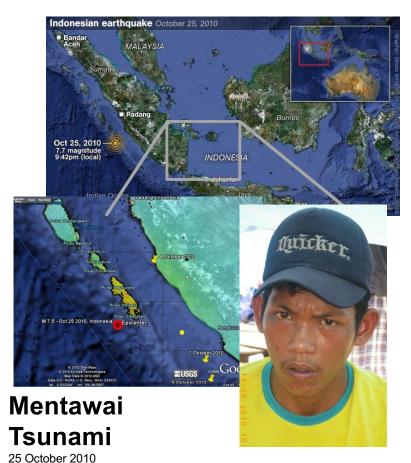








Broadcast Media as Part of the Early Warning Chain



"I was watching the television (MetroTV) when the earth shook. I went out, saw my neighbours, but no body went out from their house. I went back inside, made a cup of coffee and continue to watch the television. I saw the running text of the tsunami warning. I went out again. I was outside when the wave swept me and brought me to the forest. I lost my consciousness until the next morning"

Fredi, 23, Muntei Baru-baru – Mentawai (interviewed by Eko Yulianto, LIPI 2010)

Death + 500 People

Media (radio, television)

- Convey Official Warnings (National & Lo
- But also:
- **Convey Unofficial Warnings**
- Therefore:
- Can cause or counter public response







Broadcast Media as Tsunami Early Warning Chain

- Wide Accessibility
- Speed
- · 24/7
- Accurate and reliable
- Live Updates
- Skilled Human Resource
- Established Infrastructure
- Established Broadcasting SOP
- Experienced in sudden Breaking News
- Provide Guidance
- Educating means



Weakness & Challenges

Electricity cut-off due to the disaster

Areas where electricity is still scarce

Disaster happened late at night → People are asleep, and the

TV / Radio are Off



Setting Up Media as Tsunami Early Warning Chain

- Establish Regulatory Framework
- Formalized cooperation and collaboration between NTWC and broadcast media
- Establish multi-communication system
- Establish EW broadcasting SOP
- Education and training
- Regular communication test
- Early warning exercises and improvements
- Evaluation after real event and improvements

Regulatory Framework

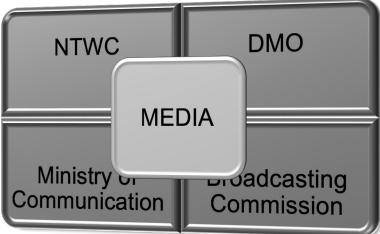
- Commonalities of warning broadcast by different broadcasting media
- Guides the broadcasting media in broadcasting early warning
- Control and monitoring system as early warning broadcaster



Formal Cooperation

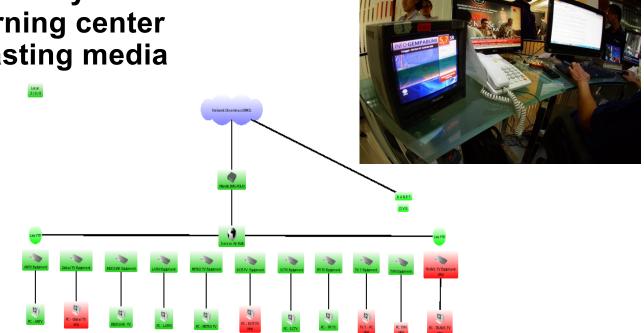
 Ensures Commitment between warning center and broadcasting media

 Strengthen collaboration between warning center and broadcasting media



Establish multi-communication system

 Ensures direct and reliable communication system between warning center and broadcasting media



- SMS
- Email
- Phone
- Fax
- Website
- WRS

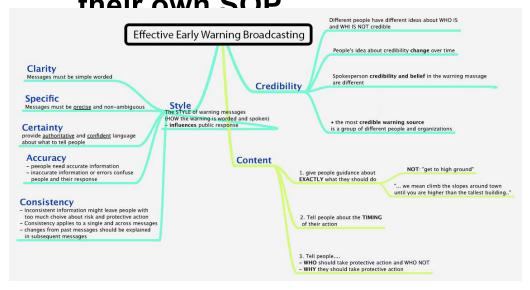
Establish EW broadcasting SOP

- Ensures the early warning broadcasting is part of the organization system
- Ensures standardized and step by step process and procedures in the broadcasting media
- Ensure the SOP meet the urgency and uniqueness of tsunami warning and emergency



Education and training

 Ensures clear understanding of tsunami hazard, tsunami risk, warning messages, EW SOP, and their own SOP





Regular communication test

- Communication test between NTWC and Media
- To ensure the communication works in time of needed





Evaluation after real event and improvements

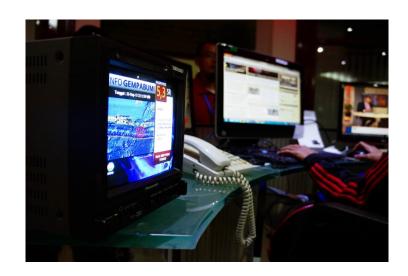
To learn from actual event and do improvements





Challenge in Broadcasting Media as TEWS Chain

- Role and responsibility beyond the warning
- National vs Local TV
- Language
 - Diversity in Broadcast Media Characteristics
 - Public and Private Broadcasting Media

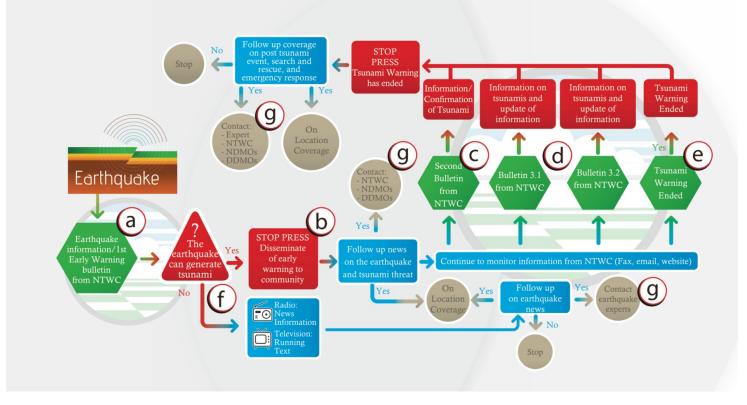


Challenge in developing SOP Broadcasting Media

- The Source of TEW messages
 - Tsunami Warning Centers or Disaster Management Offices
 - Official warning International information
- Decision Making Process in Media
- Understanding the warning message
 - Warning bulletin
 - · Warning level
- Understanding tim-lines
 - Local, Regional, and Ocean Wide
- SOP for local tsunami vs distance tsunami
- Ending of early warning

Establish EW broadcasting SOP

FLOWCHART ON WARNING DISSEMINATION FOR BROADCASTING MEDIA



EW Broadcasting SOP

0-5 minutes

Information on shaking of earthquake

0 – 5 minutes

Monitor situation based on sensing of earthquake, before official information received.

<u>+</u> 5 mnt

<u>+</u> 6-7

 $\frac{10 - 60}{60}$ mnt $\frac{90 - 120}{mnt}$

WARNING 1:

EQ Parameter & possibility of tsunami at different level: MAJOR WARNING, WARNING, ADVISORY of NO THREAT

WARNING 2:

Updated EQ parameter, warning level and estimated time of arrival based on tsunami model / scenarios

WARNING 3.1 – 3.n

Updated EQ parameters, tsunami observation and updated warning level and areas hits by the tsunamis

Warning 4 Warning ended

- Check and monitor warning receiving modes from NTWC
- 2. MCR to go to Stop Press SOP
- 3. Monitor, analyze and understand the warning messages (1 until 4)
- 4. Producer to start breaking news SOP
- 5. Contact Local contributor
- 6. Contact experts and resources
- 7. Material and image development
- 8. Provide safety information
- Continue to update warnings and running text

EW Broadcasting SOP

(Observation from local contributor)

	Timeline	Description	What	Who	Note
↓ Up to 5 minutes after the EQ	EQ Occurs	Received information from Local Contributor	 Monitor NTWC communication mode Get detailed information from local contributor → to decide breaking news Preparation for the Stop Press, Running text, and breaking news 	Duty Officer	WRS, SMS, Email, and Fax
	00:00:00	Received warning from NTWC	Analyze the message (Potential tsunami or not). If yes, go to "Stop Press"	MCR on Duty and Duty officer	WRS Switch SMS (dedicated Mobile phone)
	00:00:30- 00:01:00		Stop Press Mode	MCR on Duty	WRS Switch: Freeze Pane and High tone for 30 second

EW Broadcasting SOP (No observation from local contributor)

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Timeline	Description	What	Who	Note
00:00:00 (+ time from EQ)	Received warning 1 from NTWC	Analyze the message (Potential tsunami or not). If yes, go to "Stop Press"	MCR on Duty	WRS, SMS (dedicated mobile phone)
00:00:30 – 00:01:00		Stop Press Mode	MCR on Duty	WRS Switch: Freeze Pane and High tone for 30 second
00:00:00 – 00:02:00		Monitor NTWC communication mode	Duty officer	SMS, Email, Fax
00:00:00 – 00:02:00		Contact Producer on duty and news team	Duty officer	By phone
00:00:00 – 00:05:00	Check warning 2 from NTWC	Monitor NTWC communication mode	Duty officer	SMS, Email, Fax
00:02:00 – 00:10:00		Preparation for breaking new	Producer on Duty and News team	

Online Media and Social Media in Tsunami Warning Chain











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