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**The 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake
Situation Report 3**

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Overview

With the massive earthquake and the following tsunamis happened on 11 March 2011 (14:46 JST), the death toll is still raising and reached 5,692 today. The casualties and missing are expected to exceed 15,000, the worst number of loss Japan has experienced since the WWII, as there is still great number of people who are not reachable. There are about 305,000 evacuees in 2,260 shelters as of the time of reporting. With gradually recovery of basic lifelines, some started to return their homes but there is still great number of people who need to take refuge at shelters. Many of them are still waiting for relief items and to be relocated to better facilities. In Miyagi Prefecture, there are nearly 200,000 evacuees and 130,000 in Fukushima Prefecture. On top of that, people near Fukushima Nuclear Power Plants started evacuate in surrounding Prefectures and it is expected that the number will continue to increase. Access to the affected area is gradually opening via sea and air, lack of fuel for transportation is still delaying the relief operation. The temperature in the affected area is very low (below minus 0 Celsius). 426,000 households are without gas supply in the affected Tohoku to Kanto area. Some international air rerouting from Narita to Kansai Airport.

Situation by affected Prefectures

Iwate Prefecture



- **Blackout** at more than 138,880 households of about 20% of the whole prefecture, around a coastal area and the inland of southern part
- **Cut in water supply:** 110,000 households
- **No-Gas supply** in Kamaishi city (7,000 households)
- 1,824 confirmed **deaths** and 3,853 **missing**
- **Logistics:** Kamaishi port reopened on 16 Mar, but transportation trucks were not enough.

Miyagi Prefecture



- **No Gas supply** for Sendai city (358,781 households), Shiogama city (12,382), Ishimaki city (14,771), and Kesen'numa (2,800).
- **Cut-off water:** 290,000 households
- 2,157 **missing**.
- 3,004 confirmed **death**.
- 191,467 **evacuated** at 1,199 **shelters**

Fukushima Prefecture



- **Blackout** at 44,502 households in the center of the city and around a coastal area which were damaged in Tsunami
- **Cut in water supply** 320,000 households
- **No Gas supply** in Iwaki city (14,102 households)
- **574 deaths** and **3,491 missing**
- **131,665 evacuees** at **446 shelters**

Japanese Humanitarian Organizations*

1. Support to NGOs

- **Charity Platform** JustGiving project collected more than JPY 220mil to support **Civic Force**

2. List of active organizations in the affected area

Major initial response started from Sendai city, Miyagi Prefecture but response activity also started in Kamaishi, Iwate Prefecture.

- **JPF** : distributing food, water in Sendai city, coordinating JPF member organizations.

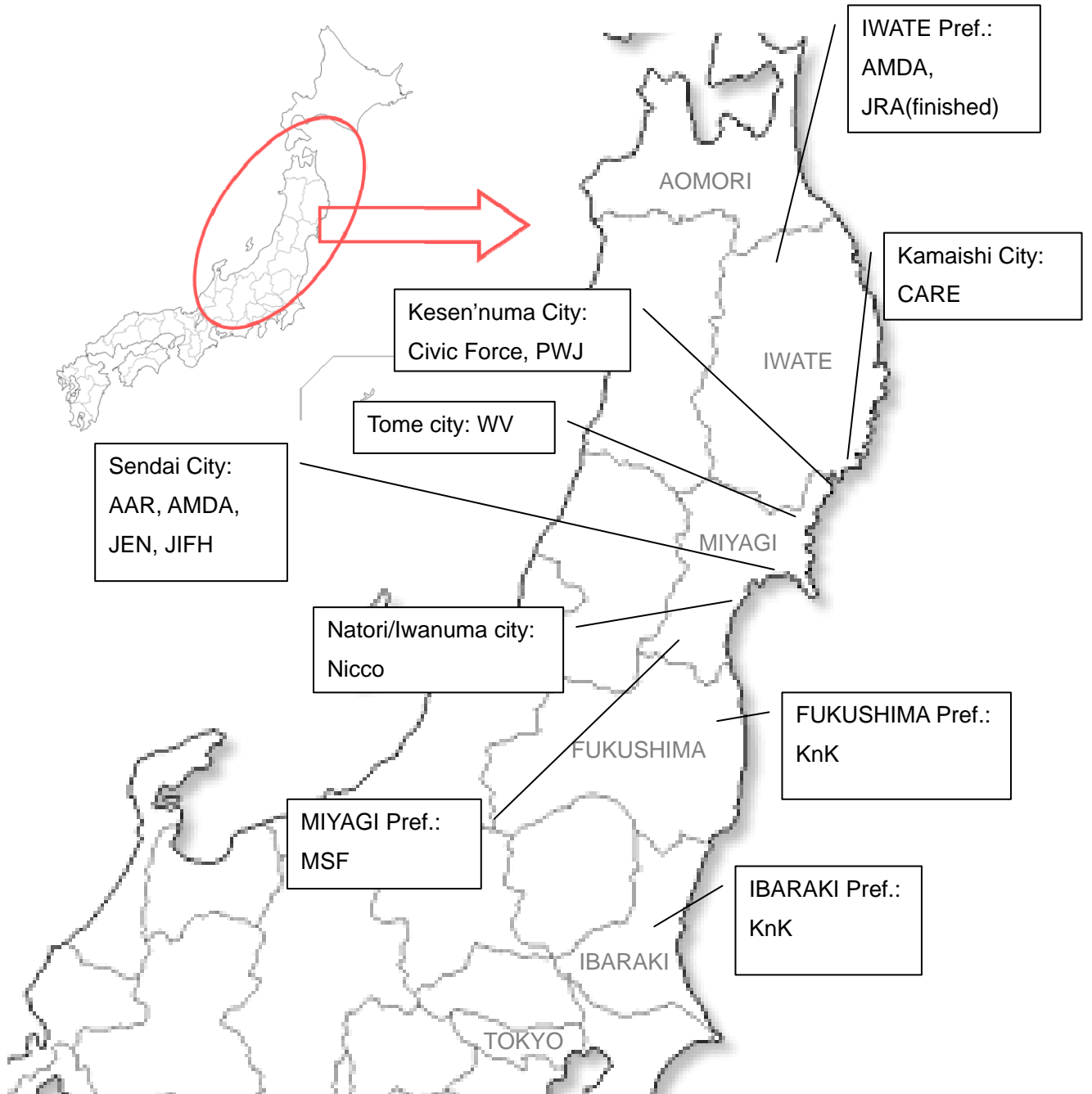
- **AAR (Association for Aid and Relief)** : water and food distribution in Sendai city and Yamamoto cho, with blanket, batteries, torch lights, sleeping bags, and toiletries,
- **ADRA Japan**: food and blanket distribution in Sendai city. Relief items to be dispatched from its Tokyo office but lack of fuel remains bottle-neck.
- **AMDA (Association of Medical Doctors of Asia)**: doctors, nurses, and coordinators, providing medical assistance and distribution of basis supplies in Sendai city. Some started to work in Iwate Prefecture.
- **CARE**: dispatched emergency relief items to Kamaishi city, Iwate Prefecture.
- **Civic Force** : dispatched urethane foam mattress to Kesen'numa city. Major companies providing cash/in-kind donations.
- **JRA (Japan Rescue Association)** : rescue activity was called off today in Iwate Pref., team to return HQ soon.
- **JEN** : sent staffs to Sendai, Miyagi Pref., pointing out deterioration of sanitation in the affected area
- **JIFH (Japan International Food for the Hungry)**: distribution of food and basic supplies in Sendai, with international aid workers joining its base camp.
- **KnK**: identified 3 phase support under JPF in Ibaragi and Fukushima Prefecture, 1) distribution of emergency relief items, 2) psychological care, child protection, distribution of educational items.
- **MSF**: providing medical assistance in Miyagi Pref.
- **NICCO** : consolidating support plan in Natori and Iwanuma city, Miyagi Prefecture; medical assistance, toiletries distribution, portable toilet set-up
- **PWJ (Peace Winds Japan)**: distribution of blankets, towels, torch lights, free iridium satellite telephone services and mobile phone charging services in Kesen'numa, Miyagi Pref.
- **Shizuoka Volunteer center** : gathering blankets and donation
- **The NGO collaboration center for HANSHIN QUAKE Rehabilitation**: advance team in operation in Natori city, Miyagi prefecture, fund-raising for "vegetable supporter" as supporting for vegetable-shopping in Miyagi prefecture
- **World Vision Japan (WVJ)**: distribution of water, toiletries in Tome City, Miyagi Pref.

3. List of other humanitarian organizations

- **Good Neighbors Japan:** accepting donations
- **SEEDS Asia:** accepting donation for information assistance and site coordination
- **Shanti Volunteer Association(SVA)** : planning to dispatched staff to disaster areas
- **Shaplaneer:** accepting donation
- **Oxfam Japan:** support for pregnant women and small children, information assistance with JOICFP.
- **Plan Japan:** collecting donation for emergency supply and WatSan/Education.

**Information compiled from press release and website of each organization. Please refer to their website for more detailed information.*

<Map> Japanese Humanitarian Organizations



Relief Supply Needs

After consolidating information from Japanese NGOs working in the affected area and media, below items are the most need.

Food

- Nonperishable food
- Water (PET bottle and 500ml 2 liter)
- Other beverage (PET bottle, 500ml, and 2 liters)

Power Supply

- Gas/Fuel (transportation, heat)
- Generator

Medical Supply

WatSan

- Portable toilet

Daily necessities

- Diapers (baby/senior), Femme-care
- Sanitary items/soap and tissue
- First aid kit
- Blanket (the new or cleaned blanket, futon is improper).
- Warm clothing
- Formula Milk

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