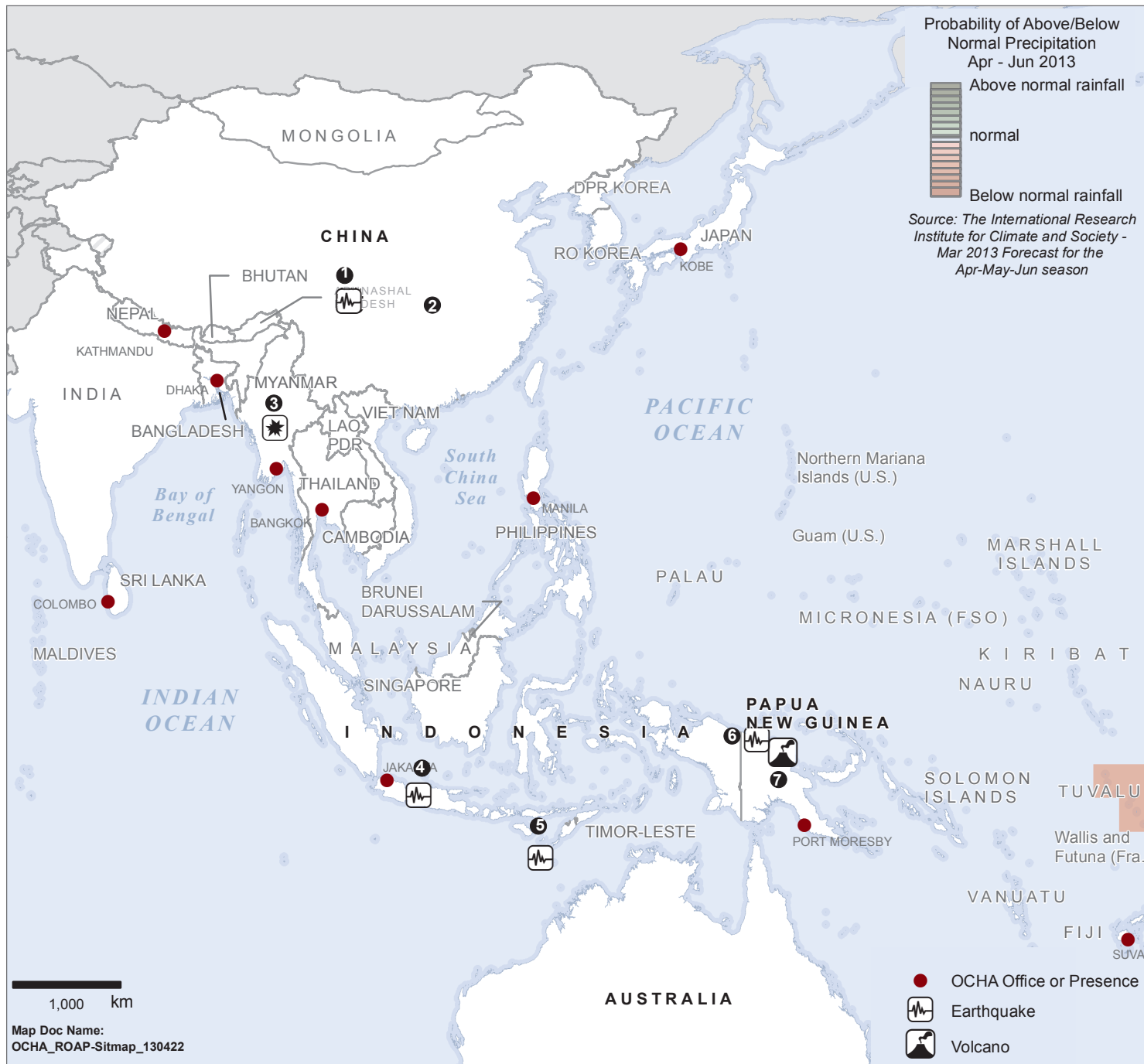


# ASIA-PACIFIC REGION 17 - 22 April, 2013

Natural Disasters and Other Events being monitored by the OCHA Regional Office for the Asia-Pacific



Probability of Above/Below Normal Precipitation Apr - Jun 2013

Above normal rainfall

normal

Below normal rainfall

Source: The International Research Institute for Climate and Society - Mar 2013 Forecast for the Apr-May-Jun season

**1. China** - a 7.0 M earthquake occurred at 08:02 AM (local time) 20/04/2013 in Lushan County, Sichuan. 207 people are reported dead and 11,500 injured, including 968 in a serious condition. More than 245,000 people were evacuated. Over 1.52 million people in a total of 69 counties are affected. Many local houses are made of wood and earthen walls, almost all of which collapsed in the earthquake. Local roads were badly damaged and blocked by landslides and dozens of bridges damaged to varying degrees. Major roads to affected areas are being restored gradually. The quake led to a cut off of power and communication, gas and water. No requests for external assistance have been made. *Source: UN Sitrep, Media*

**2. China** - As of 21 April, The National Health and Family Planning Commission said in its daily update on H7N9 cases that a total of 102 H7N9 cases have been reported in China, including 20 that have ended in death. (The H7N9 cases from previous week is 60). Of the total, 12 H7N9 patients have been discharged from hospitals after receiving treatment, and the other 70 patients are being treated in designated hospitals, according to the commission. *Source: Media*

**3. Myanmar** - Myanmar, Rakhine. Human Rights Watch issues report, "All You Can Do is Pray": Crimes Against Humanity and Ethnic Cleansing of Rohingya Muslims in Burma's Arakan State," describing the role of the government and local authorities in the forcible displacement of more than 125,000 Rohingya and other Muslims and the ongoing humanitarian crisis. *Source: HRW report http://hrw.org/asia/burma*

**4. Indonesia** - BNPB reported 86 tremors with magnitude MMI III and IV (below 5.0 Richter Scale) occurring during 1858-1928 hrs Jakarta time in areas surrounding Timbang crater of Mt. Dieng on 19 April 2013. These shocks have not caused casualties or damages. Approximately 1000 were evacuated. BNPB, BPBD, military and police are working together to help the evacuation. OCHA is monitoring the situation closely with local government and will report significant developments, if any. *Source: BNPB, OCHA*

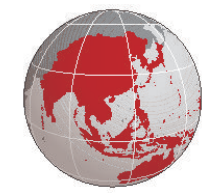
**5. Indonesia** - There was an earthquake with magnitude 5.8 Richter Scale (according to USGS) on 20 April 2013 at 0051 hrs., Jakarta time. The epicenter was located at 12.15 South and 121.59 East or approximately 185 km south west Saburajua, East Nusa Tenggara (in the sea) with 15 km deep. This quake striking in the sea did not cause tsunami. There is no immediate report of casualties or damages from local authorities. *Source: BNPB, OCHA*

**6. Papua New Guinea** - A 6.8 RS earthquake occurred on 16 April near the north coast of Papua New Guinea. Provincial disaster coordination authorities later reported that the seismic activity in the East Aitape area in Aitape District had caused a landslide and sea swells, which left local houses damaged. The Suaina area experienced continuous aftershocks for several hours thereafter. Local authorities deployed a team to the affected areas to assess the extent of damage. No requests for external assistance were subsequently received. *Source: OCHA*

**7. Papua New Guinea** - The Rabual Volcano Observatory has strongly recommended to the National and provincial Disaster and Emergency Office to declare a stage three alert for Madang's Manam Island volcano. *Source: OCHA*

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