Thirty-first Session of the Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (ICG/PTWS-XXXI), Beijing, China, 7–11 April 2025

Tsunami Warning Operation and Services in China during 2023 ~ 2025

(National Progress Report)

SUN, LINING
National Marine Environmental Forecasting Center(NTWC)
***Ministry of Natural Resources,* P. R. China**

Outlines

1. Earthquake Detection and Tsunami Monitoring

2. Numerical Tsunami Forecast and Decision Supporing System

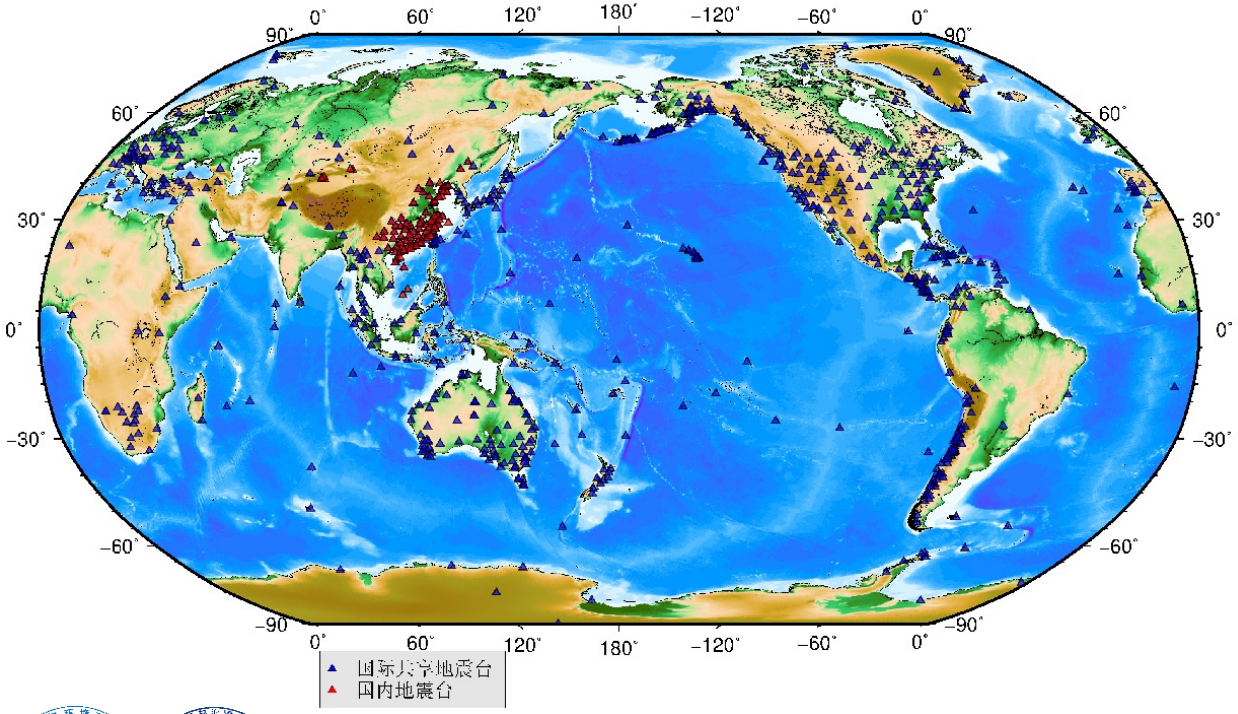
3. Tsunami Warning Operation and Dissemination

4. Coordination, Training, Workshop and Visiting activities

1. Earthquake Detection and Tsunami Monitoring

Global Seismic Dataset

Global shared Seismic Station Distribution



Real-time, broadband seismic waveform data from:

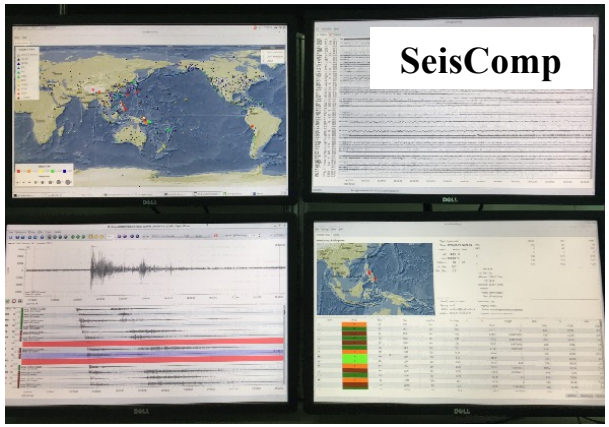
- MNR(27)
- CEA(54)
- IRIS
- GEOFON
- GEOSCOPE

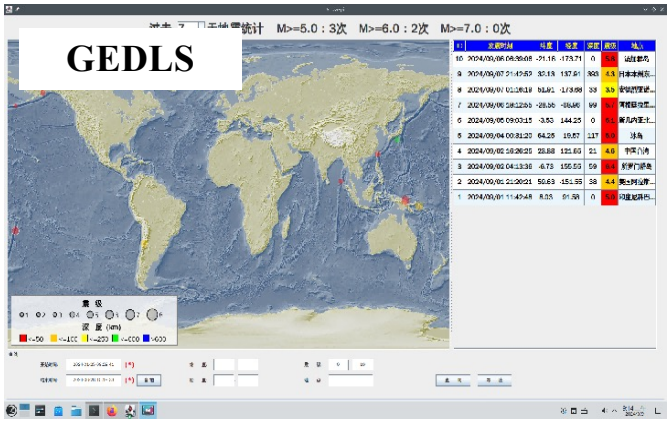
- （700+）

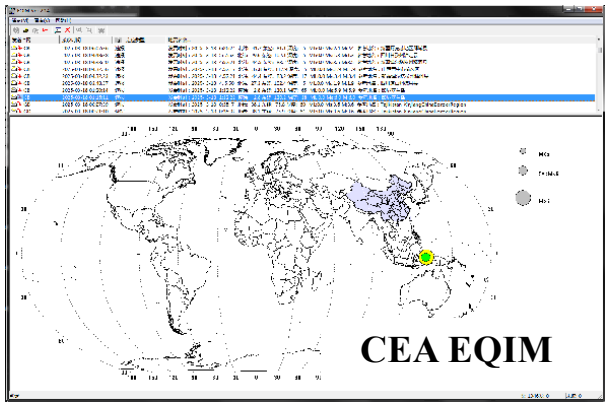
Seismic Analysis and Earthquake Detecting

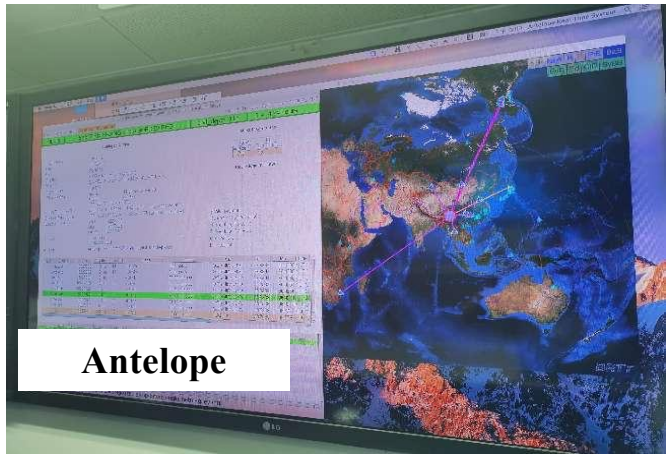
Earthquake Preliminary Report

- **SeisComp**
- **GEDLS**
- **CEA EQIM**
- **Antelope**
- **USGS**
- **PTWC**



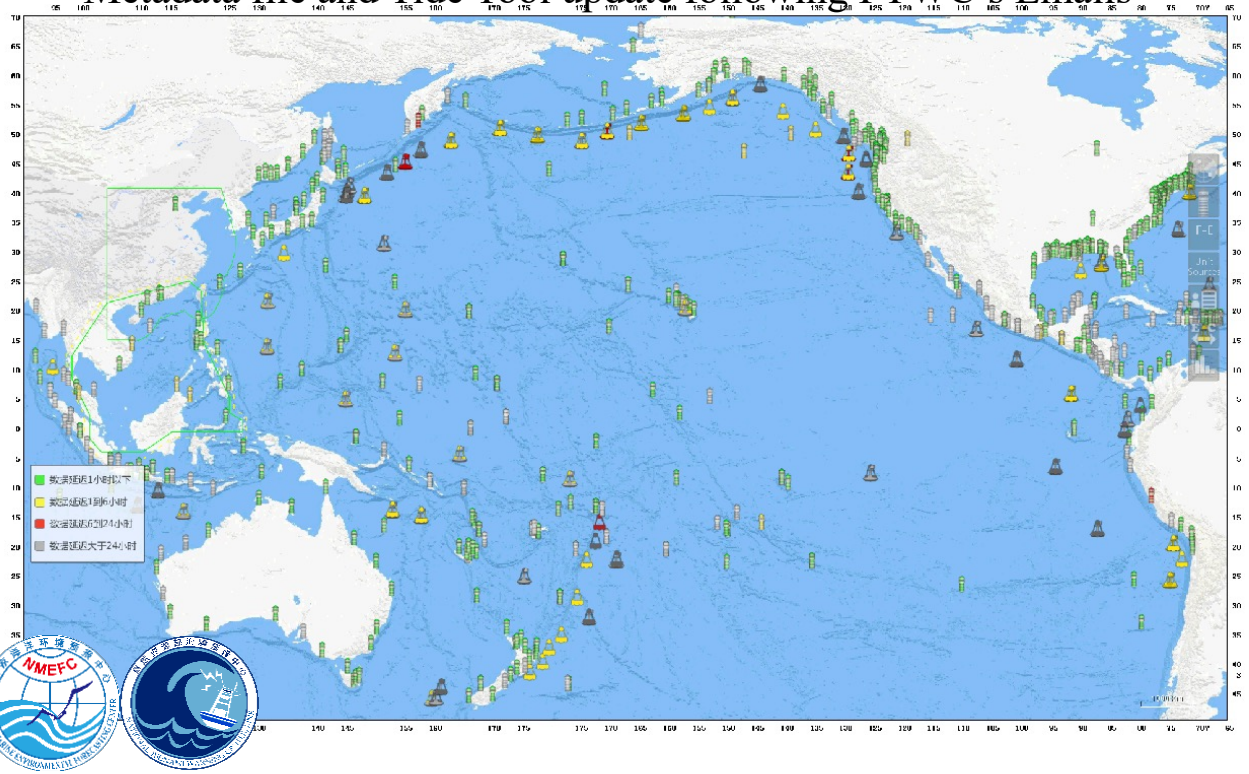


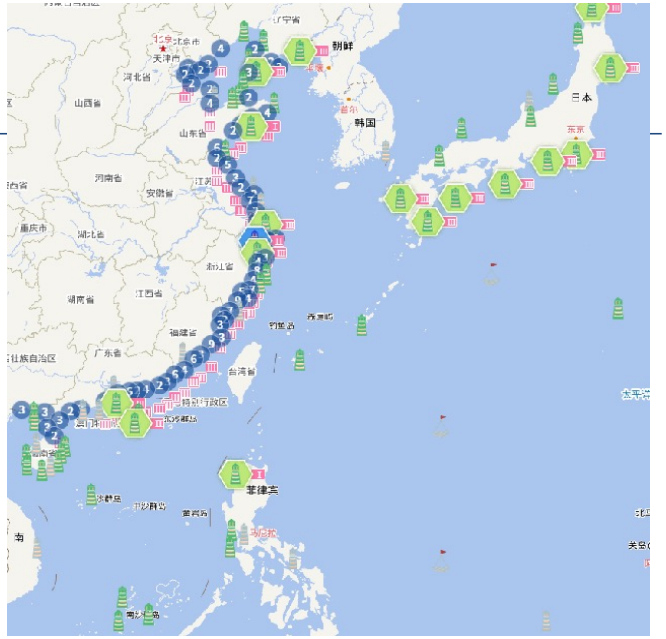




Global Sea Level Dataset

- Real-time sea level data from nearly **600** functional tidal gauges and Dart bouys via GTS and from sea-level monitoring facility website
- Metadata file and Tide Tool update following PTWC's Emails





- ~150 tidal gauges along the Chinese coasts are accessible via operation LAN
- 5 gauges are involved in data sharing via GTS for tsunami warning and mitigation system in the SCS region:

✓ Shenzhen (Chinese Mainland)

✓ Zhapo (Chinese Mainland)

✓ Qinglan (Chinese Mainland)

✓ Quarry Bay (Hongkong)

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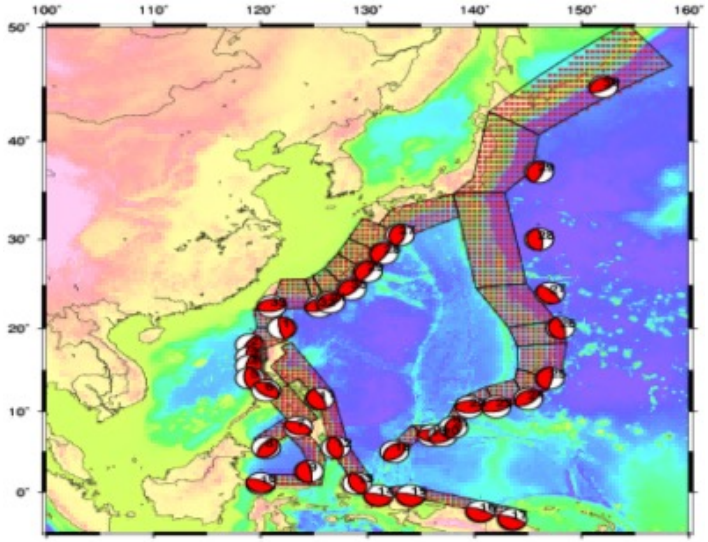
2. Numerical Tsunami Forecast .&. Decision Supporing System

Two Sets of Tsunami Database

NW Pacific Scenario Database



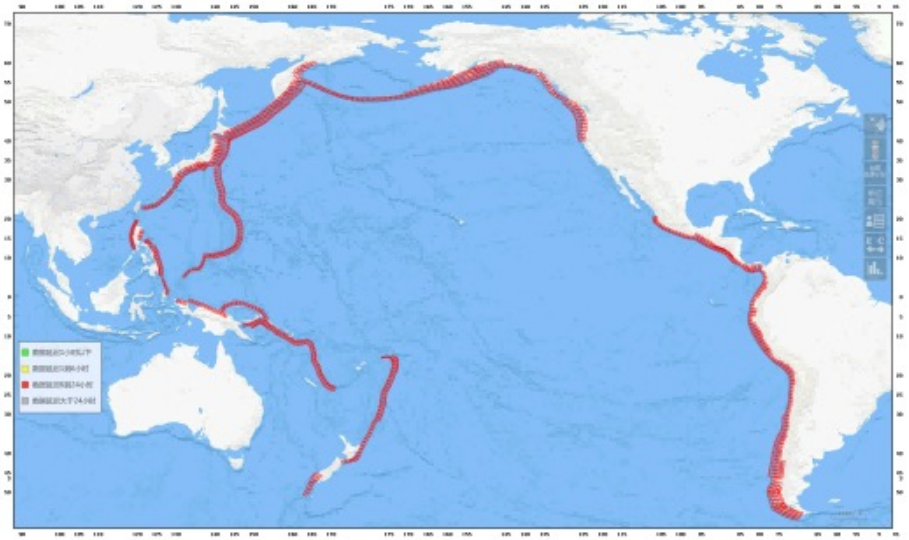
Source Coverage:

37 partitions, 1671 sources

Resolution: 0.5° ×0.5°

Totally: 60,156 tsunami scenarios

The Pacific Unit Source Database



Source Coverage:

Length: 100 km

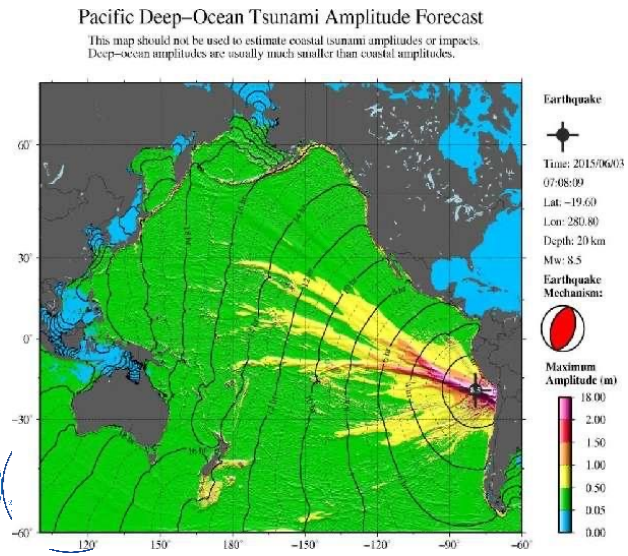
Width: 50 km

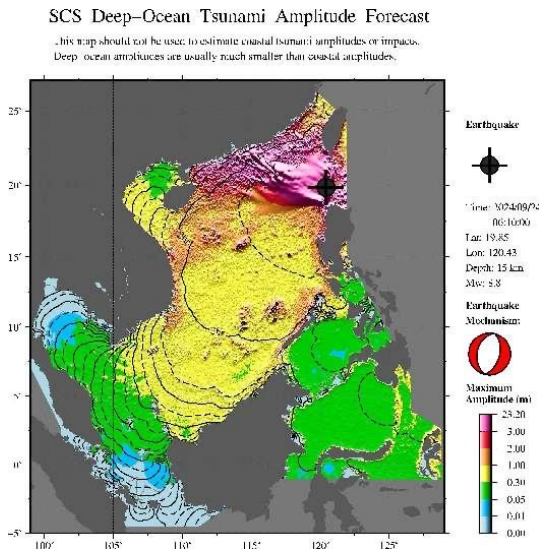
Totally: 1391 unit sources

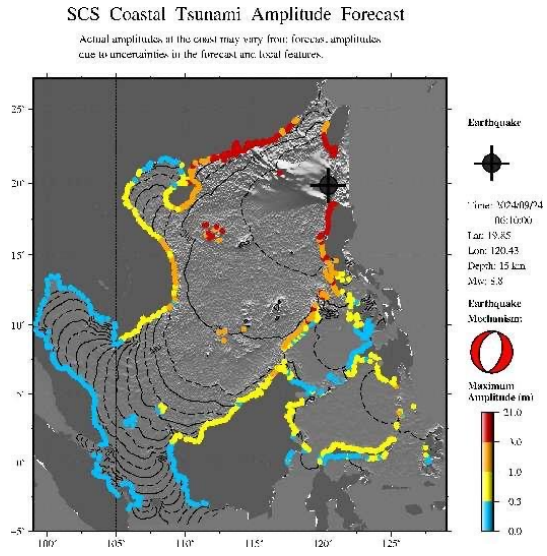
On-the-Fly Tsunami Forecast Model

Numerical model performance on NVIDIA Tesla V100(GPU)

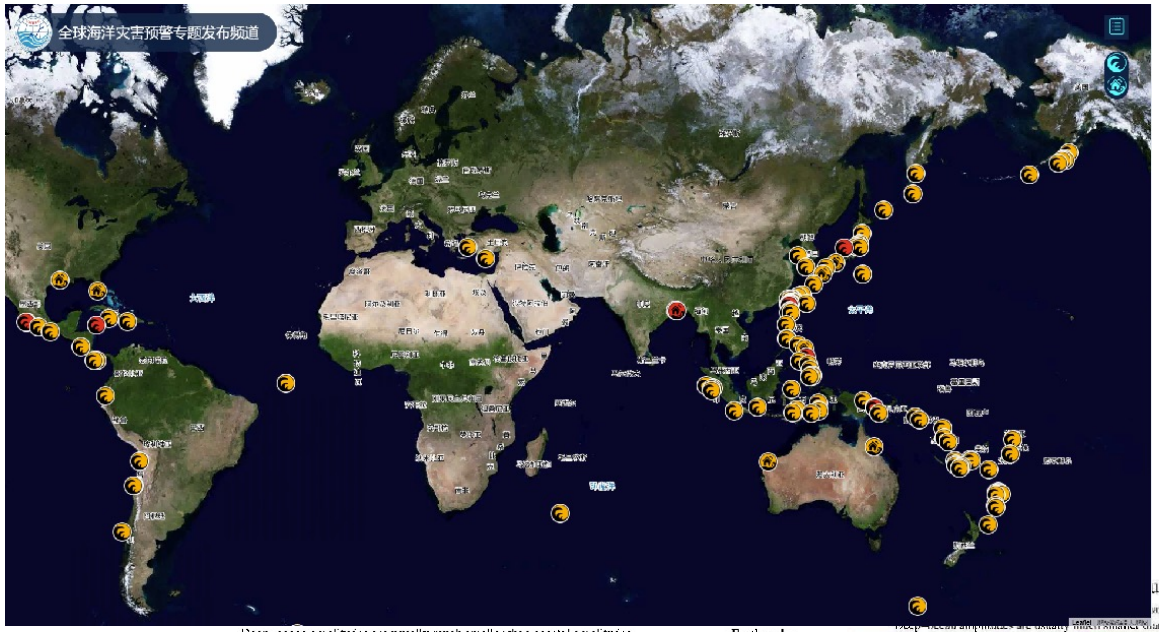
Forecast region	Space resolution	Forecast period (hours)	Consuming time (seconds)			Efficiency promotion	
			Series	OpenMP	**GPU**	OpenMP	**GPU**
Pacific Ocean	5 arc-min	32	6070	410	**45**	15	**135**
NW Pacific Ocean	4 arc-min	15	450	32	**4**	14	**113**
South China Sea	2 arc-min	15	467	31	**4**	15	**117**

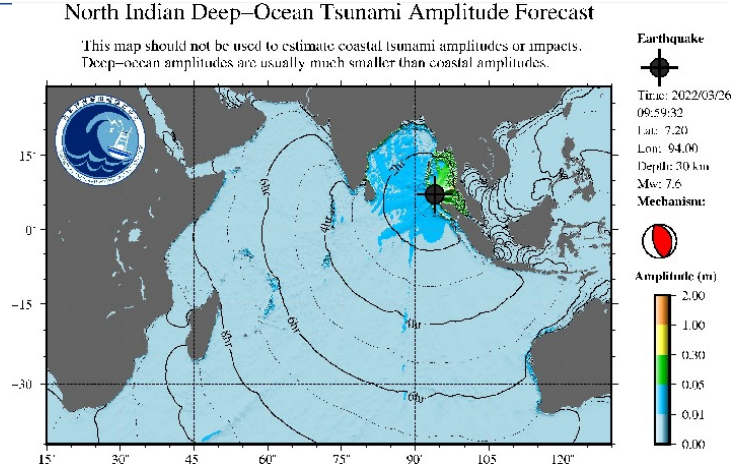


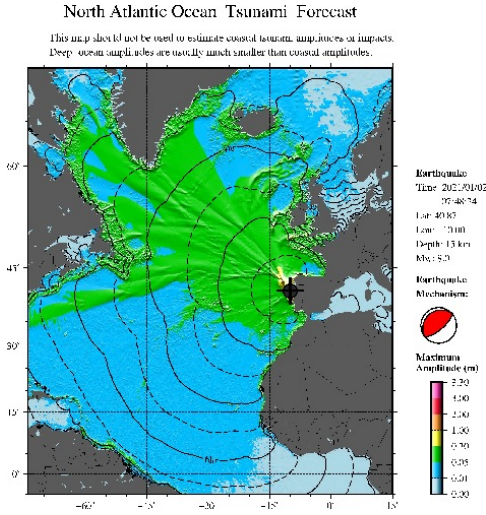


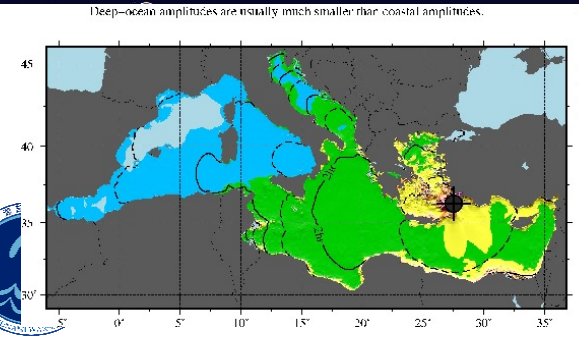


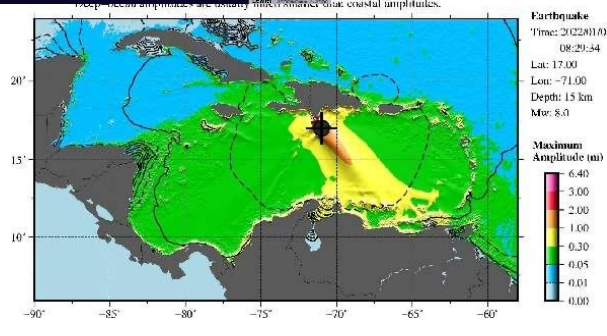
Glabal Numerical Tsunami Forecast







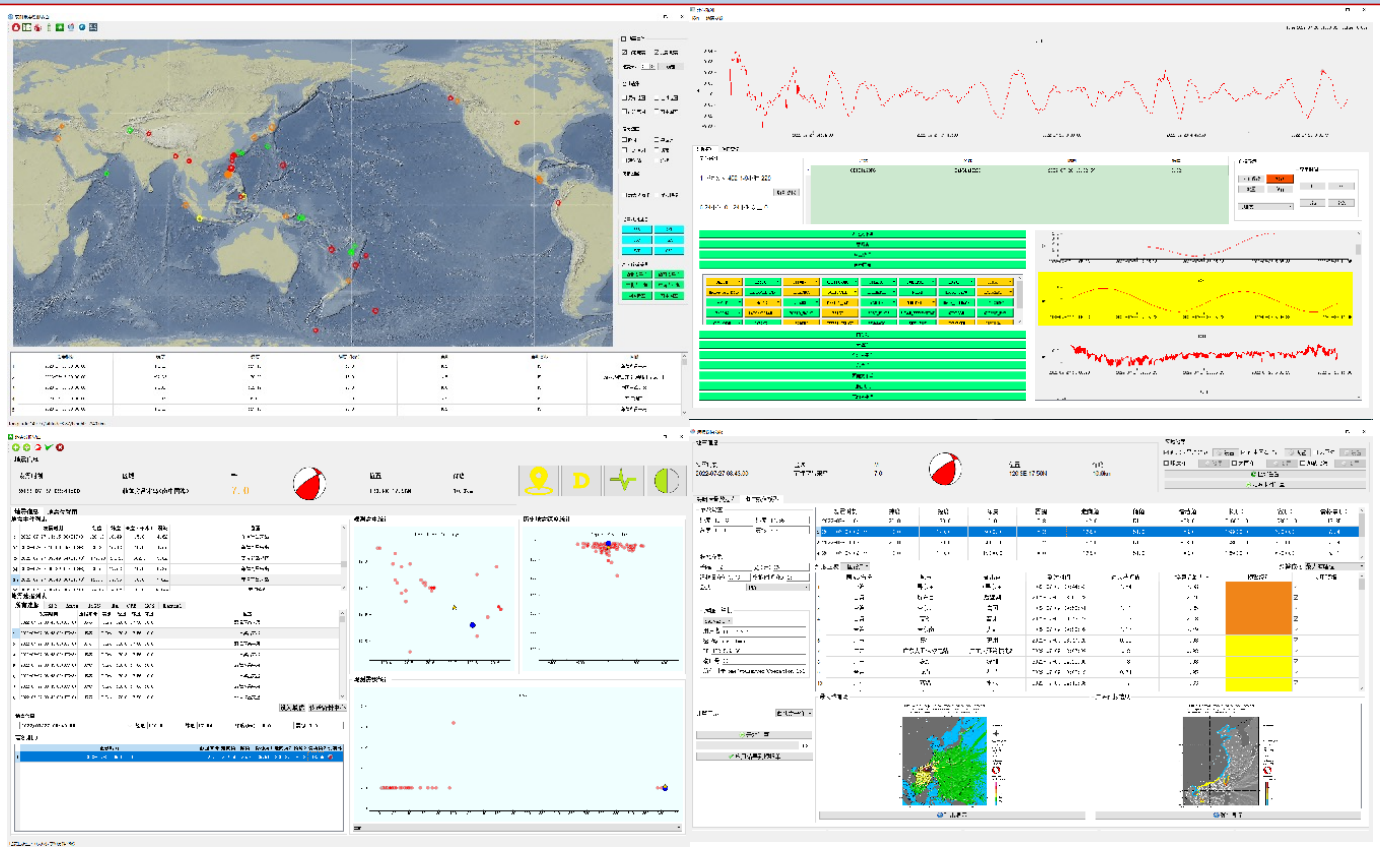




Decision Supporting System

Smart Tsunami Information Processing System(STIPS): A fully independent developed tsunami warning and decision support system based on Python language is in operation for domestic tsunami service, and SCSTWS.

- Self designed by Python
- User-friendly and well-maintained
- GIS Interface
- Earthquake information
- Tsunami monitoring
- Pre-computing tsunami database
- On-the-fly tsunami model integration;
- Automatic making and release of tsunami products;



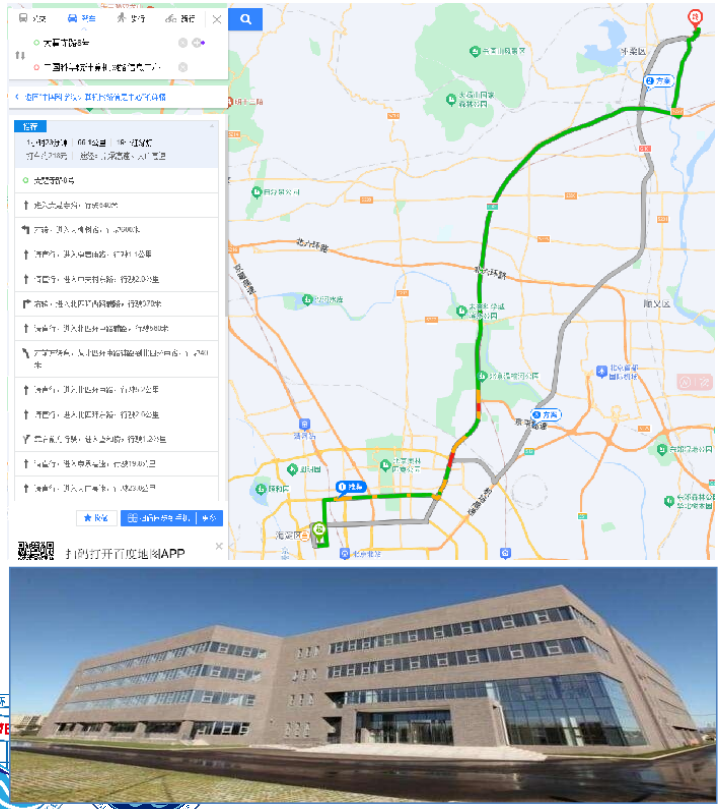
3. Tsunami Warning Operation and Dissemination

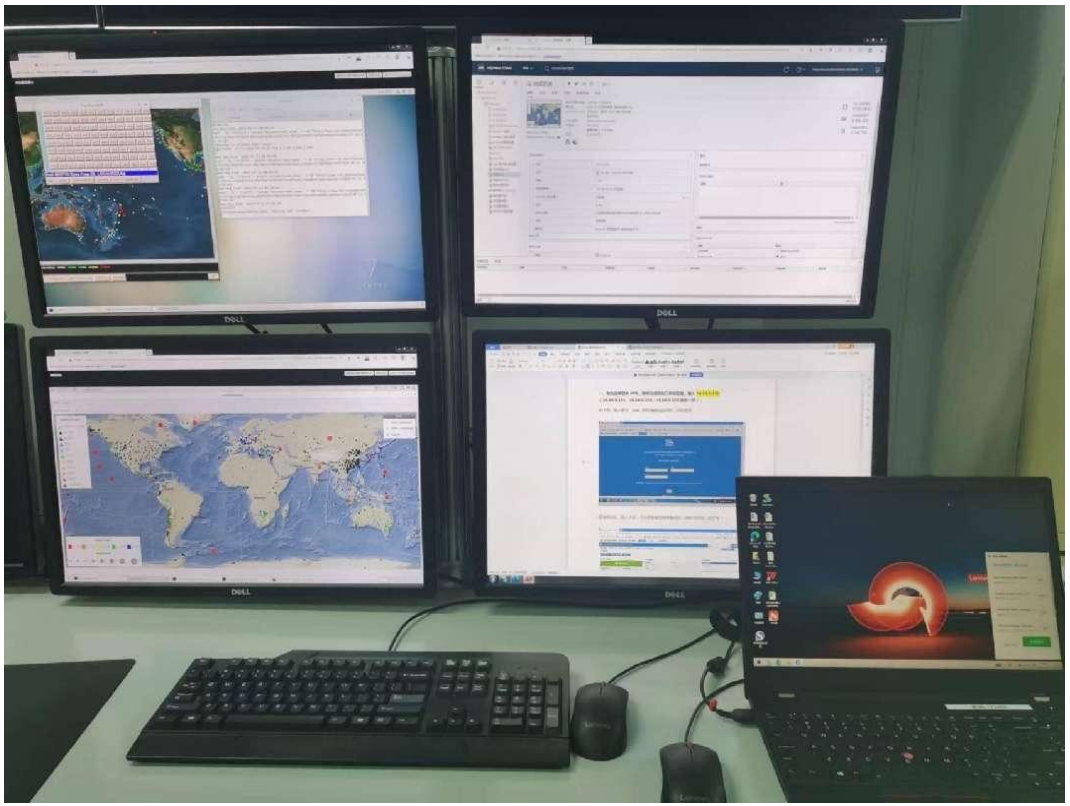
Main Operation Platform

New Tsunami Operation Platform Launched in Feb. 2025
8 Dahuisi Road, Haidian District, Beijing

Remote Backup Platform

- Located in Jingmi North 1st Street, Yanqi Economic Development Zone, Huairou District, Beijing
- Connected with VPN based on independent network card and standby battery power





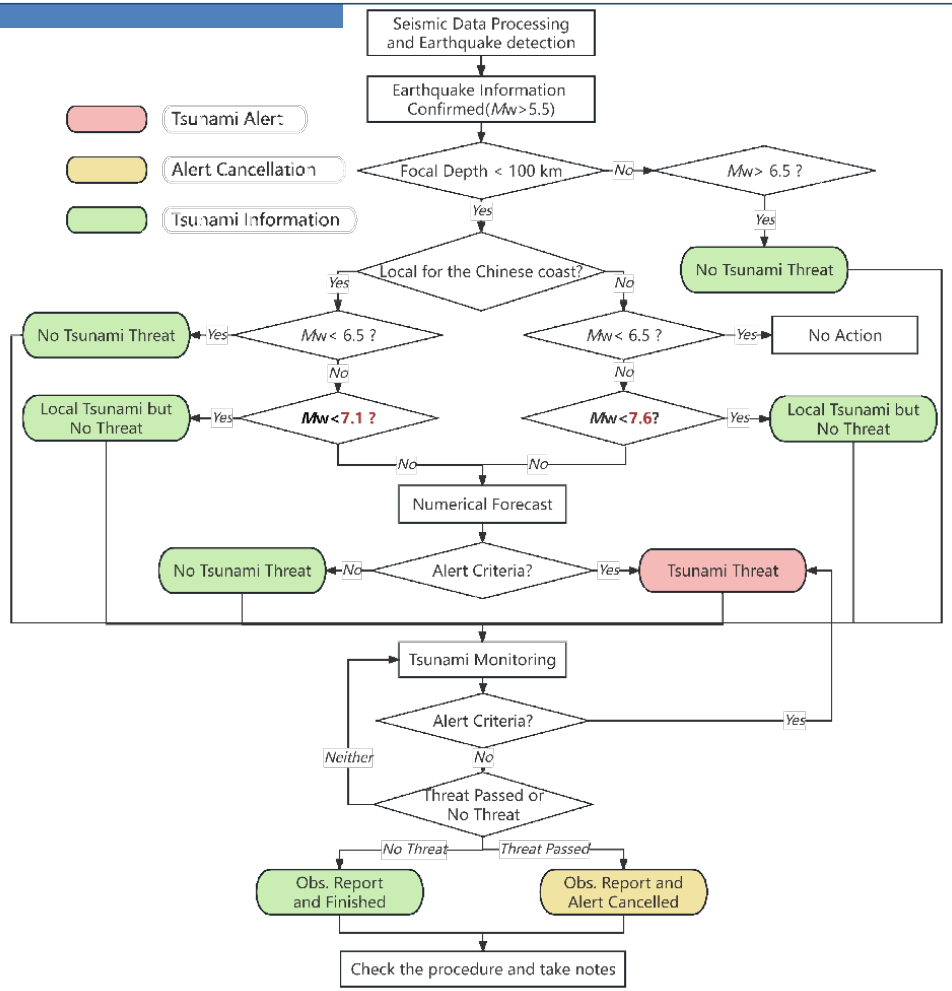
Remote Backup Platform

- NTWC(Hainan Backup Center)
- Operation in 2025, Synchronize and Mutually Backup with the Beijing NTWC center

Operation Procedure and Warning Criteria

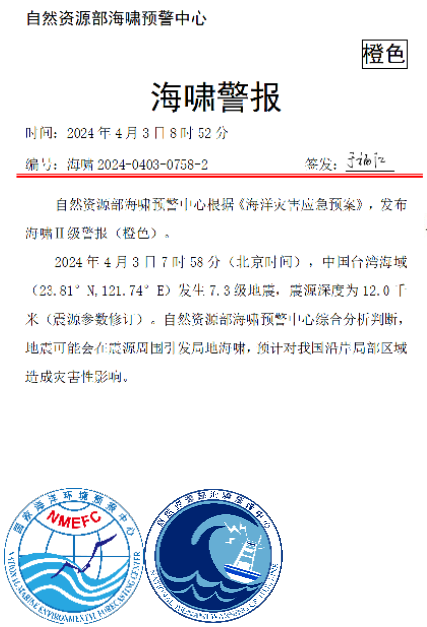
Tsunami alerts/Threat levels are classified as three levels:

- Red (Max. tsunami wave amplitude >= 300cm), corresponding to ‘especially severe disaster possibly causing a number of casualties and huge economical losses’
- **Orange (Amp. max>= 100cm), ‘possibility of severe damage’**
- Yellow (Amp. max>= 30cm) , ‘watch out for potential danger near the coastline’



Product Dissemination

- Tsunami Alerts . &. Cancellation
- Tsunami Information Statement
- Major Tsunami Summary



自然资源部海啸预警中心

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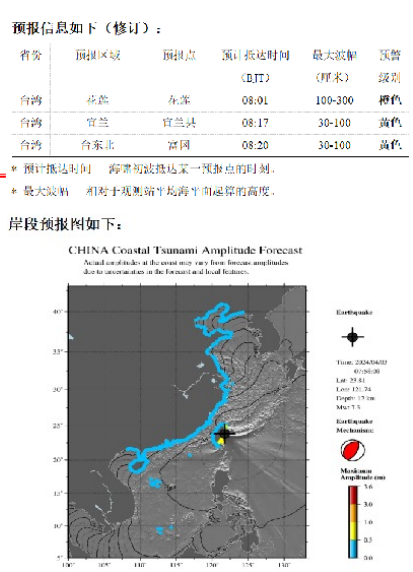
海啸警报

时间：2024 年 4 月 3 日 8 时 52 分

编号：海啸 2024-0403-0758-2　　签发：

自然资源部海啸预警中心根据《海洋灾害应急预案》，发布海啸Ⅱ级警报（橙色）。

2024 年 4 月 3 日 7 时 58 分（北京时间），中国台湾海域（23.81°N,121.74°E）发生 7.3 级地震，震源深度为 12.0 千米（震源参数修订）。自然资源部海啸预警中心综合分析判断，地震可能会在震源周围引发局地海啸，预计对我国沿岸局部区域造成灾害性影响。



预报信息如下（修订）：

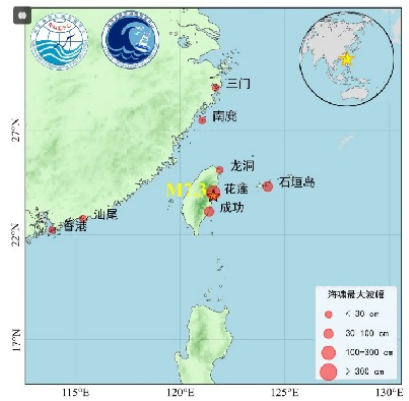
省份	预报区域	预报点	预计抵达时间（BJT）	最大波幅（厘米）	预警级别
台湾	花莲	花莲	08:01	100-300	橙色
台湾	宜兰	宜兰县	08:17	30-100	黄色
台湾	台东北	富岡	08:20	30-100	黄色

* 预计抵达时间——海啸初波抵达某一预报点的时刻。
* 最大波幅——相对于观测站平均海平面起算的高度。

岸段预报图如下：

CHINA Coastal Tsunami Amplitude Forecast

Actual amplitudes at the coast may vary from forecast amplitudes due to uncertainties in the forecast and local features.



中国台湾海域发生7.3级地震海啸 自然资源部海啸预警中心立即启动海啸预警流程

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地震海啸概况

据全球海底地震监测台网数据，自然资源部海啸预警中心测定，2024年4月3日7时58分（北京时间），中国台湾海域（23.81°N,121.74°E）发生7.3级地震，震源深度为12千米。

自然资源部海啸预警中心根据全球海啸监测网分析，地震在震源附近引发海啸，并对台湾沿岸造成灾害性影响。

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历史地震海啸概述

此次地震发生在菲律宾海板块和欧亚板块的边界，在该位置，菲律宾海板块以78毫米/年的速率俯冲到欧亚板块之下。台湾位于一个地质构造复杂的区域，是三个板块的交汇处——菲律宾海板块、欧亚板块以及其他板块，由于其特殊的板块边界位置，台湾通常发生中型到大型地震。

SMS/Website/APP

Broad and TV

TikTok

Toutiao(NEWS APP)

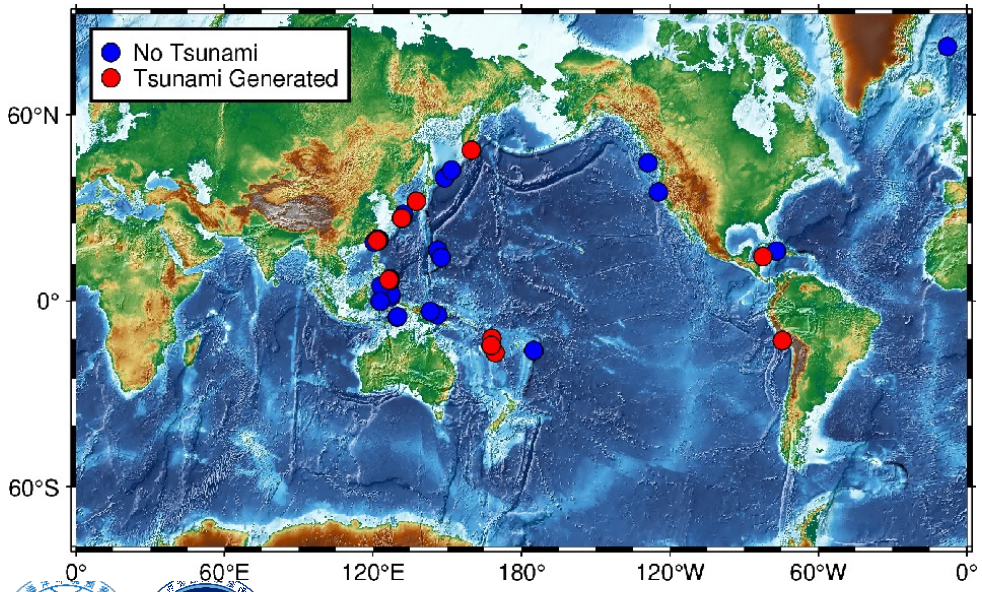
Weibo

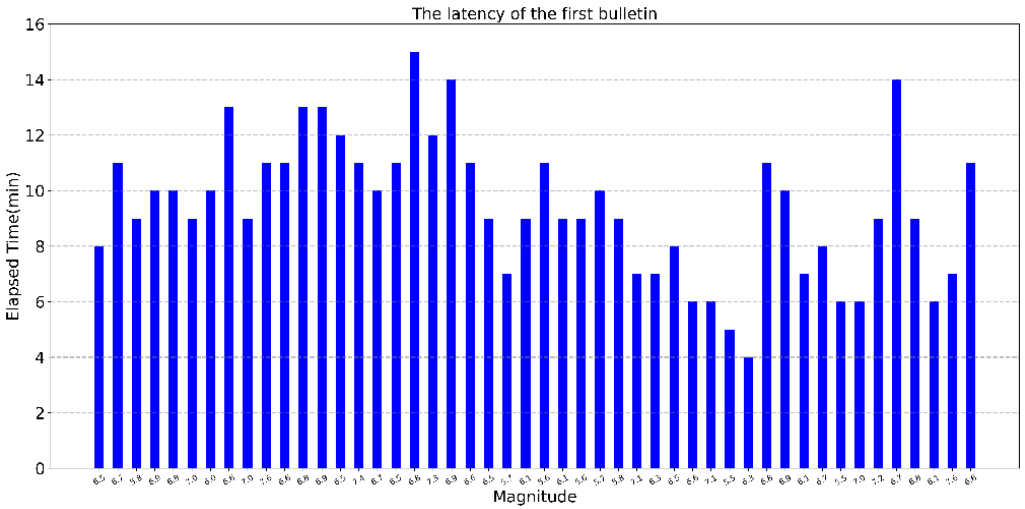
EMAIL

FAX

Operation Performance (Oct.2023 ~ Mar. 2025)

- Responded to **48** Earthquakes
- Issued **90** tsunami bulletins, **11** major Earthquakes generated tsunamis
- Average latency is **9.4 minute** for the first bulletin

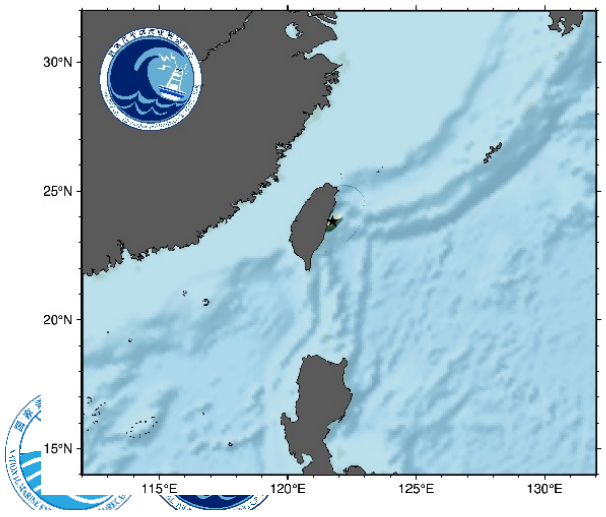




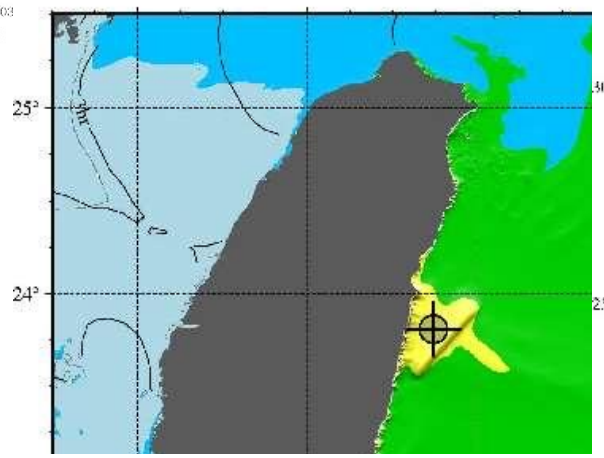
Response to Hualien Tsunami in 2024

- **At 7:58 (BJT) on April 3, 2024, a 7.3-magnitude earthquake** occurred off the west coast of Taiwan, China, with a focal depth of **12.0 kilometers**
- The Tsunami Warning Center issued **1 Tsunami Level I alert (red)** , **3 Tsunami Level II alert (orange)** and **1 Tsunami Threat Cancellation Bulletin** in accordance with the "Marine Disaster Emergency Response Plan of China". This earthquake is expected to triggered a local tsunami near Hualien and may lead **a disastrous impact on some coastal areas of East Taiwan**
- The first bulletin issued with the elapse time of **12 mins**
- Hualien station reported a **105-centimeter** tsunami amplitude

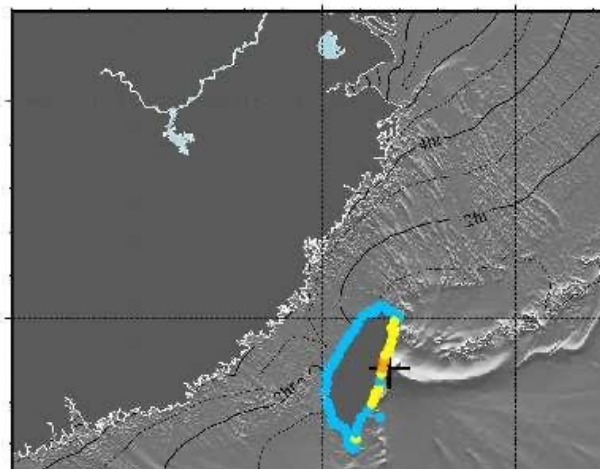
Tsunami forecast movie



Tsunami Travel Time and Refined



Coastal Tsunami Amplitude Fore



Response to major Earthquakes(Oct.2023 ~ Mar. 2025, M_w above 7.0)

EQ time(BJT)	Magnitude	Depth(km)	Regioin	Latitude	Longitude	Tsunami Generated	Max. AMP(cm)	Response
2023-1202-2237	7.6	32	MINDANAO, PHILIPPINES	8.53	126.45	Yes	15	3 Tsunami Information Bulletin
2024-0101-1510	7.4	59	Noto Peninsula, Japan	37.55	137.49	Yes	81	2 Tsunami Information Bulletin
2024-0403-0758	7.3	12	Taiwan, China	23.81	121.74	Yes	105	1 Tsunami Level I alert (red) 3 Tsunami Level II alert (orange) 1 Tsunami Threat Cancellation Bulletin
2024-0628-1336	7.1	30	Atiquipa, Peru	-15.88	-74.55	Yes	20	2 Tsunami Information Bulletin
2024-0808-1542	7.1	15	Hyuganada Sea, Japan	31.85	131.57	Yes	50	2 Tsunami Information Bulletin
2024-1217-0947	7.2	30	Vila, Vanuatu	-17.75	167.75	Yes	26	2 Tsunami Information Bulletin
2025-0209-0723	7.6	10	North of Honduras	17.7	-82.46	Yes	30	2 Tsunami Information Bulletin

PacWave-2024 on Tsunami Awareness Day (5th NOV.)

- **The tsunami drill conducted on November 5, 2024**
  - At 8:00 (Beijing Time), communication tests
  - At 14:00 (Beijing Time), with the assumption of a magnitude 9.0 earthquake occurring in the Nankai Trough, a tsunami would be triggerred, and severely impact Jiangsu, Shanghai, Zhejiang, Fujian, Taiwan, Guangdong, Hong Kong, and Macao in China.

自然资源部海啸预警中心

演习专用

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海啸警报

时间：2024 年 11 月 05 日 14 时 08 分

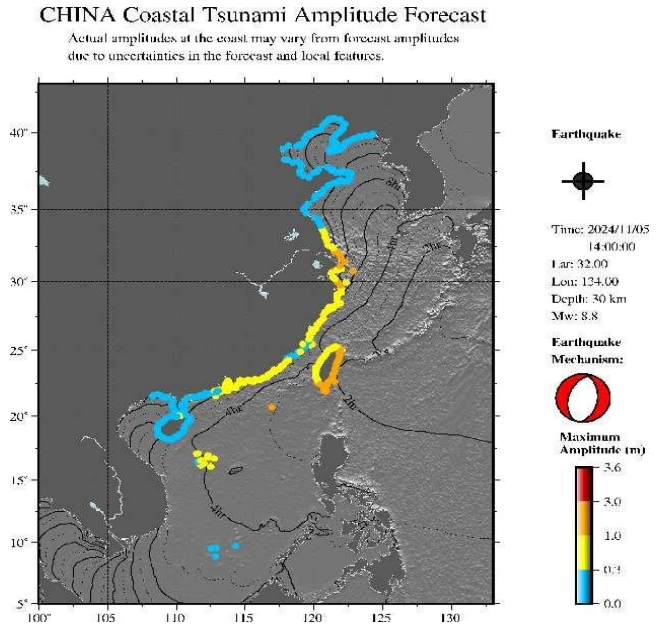
编号：海啸 2024-1105-1400-1　　签发：

自然资源部海啸预警中心根据《海洋灾害应急预案》，发布海啸橙色警报。

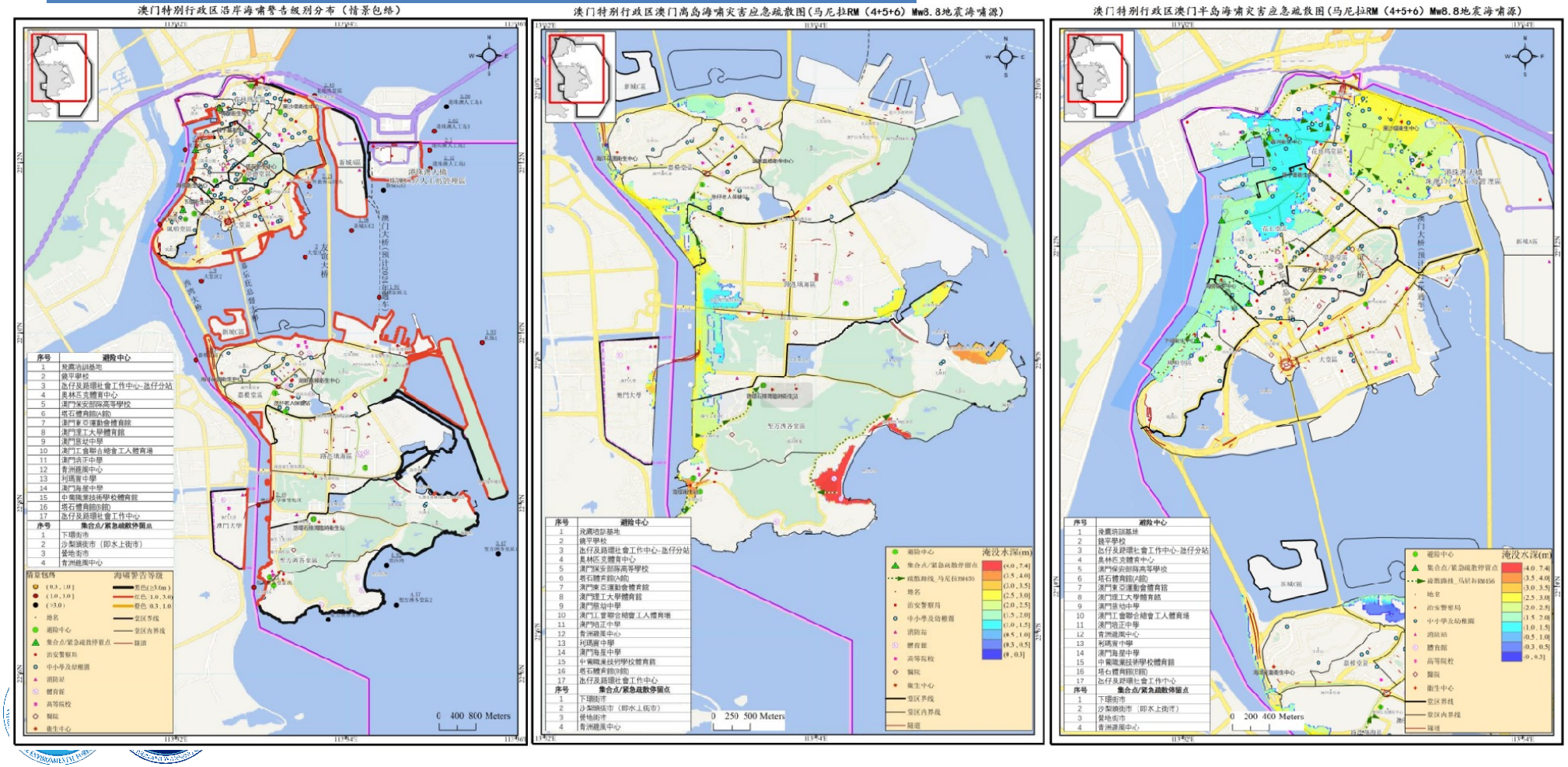
2024 年 11 月 05 日 14 时 00 分（北京时间），日本四国岛海域（32.0° N, 134.0° E）发生 8.8 级地震，震源深度为 30 千米。自然资源部海啸预警中心根据初步地震参数判断，地震可能引发太平洋越洋海啸，预计会对我国部分沿岸造成灾害性影响。

预报信息如下：

省份	预报区域	预报点	预计抵达时间（BJT）	最大波幅（厘米）	预警级别
江苏	南通	吕泗	00:04	100-300	橙色
江苏	盐城	滨海	01:24	30-100	黄色
上海	上海	佘山	21:51	100-300	橙色
浙江	秦山核电站	嘉兴海盐	01:01	30-100	黄色
浙江	舟山南	朱家尖	21:04	30-100	黄色
浙江	三门核电站	三门健跳	21:41	30-100	黄色
浙江	宁波北	镇海	22:36	100-300	橙色
浙江	嘉兴	嘉兴	23:48	30-100	黄色
台湾	花莲	花莲	16:03	30-100	黄色
台湾	台东北	富冈	16:06	30-100	黄色
台湾	台东南	大武	16:12	30-100	黄色
台湾	屏东东	屏东东	16:13	30-100	黄色
台湾	宜兰	宜兰县	16:16	30-100	黄色
台湾	台北东	台北东	16:21	30-100	黄色
台湾	屏东西	后壁湖	16:23	30-100	黄色
台湾	高雄	高雄	16:44	30-100	黄色
台湾	基隆	基隆	16:45	30-100	黄色



Tsunami Risk Assessment For Macao



4. Coordination, Training, Workshop and Visiting activities

Tsunami Public

Live webcast of publicity on tsunami hazard, Beijing, 12 May 2023

Training and workshop

Training course on numerical tsunami models in the South China Sea Region, Zhenjiang city of Jiangsu Province, 22 May, 2024

International Symposium on Tsunami Warning and Storm Surge Prediction and Mitigation in the Asia-Pacific Region, 7th November, 2024

Visiting Reception and Communication

The Director of the Tsunami Resilience Department of the IOC/UNESCO visited NMEFC in 2024

The Director of the Solomon Islands Meteorological Service visited NMEFC to seek cooperation in August,2024

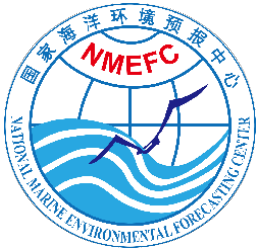
Visiting Activities

- Technical exchanges on marine disaster prevention and reduction with South Pacific island countries

Joint workshop

Joint workshop with Indonesia

Joint workshop with Bangaladesh



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