

## → Terrible Earthquake in Indonesia!

A terrible earthquake swept Indonesia on 27th May 2006 in the morning. It was at 5.57, so there were lots of victims.



## ← There is enormous damage

The inhabitants were quietly sleeping when people felt lots of jolts: at 5.57 an earthquake whose magnitude was 6.3 on the Richter scale took place!

Immediately, the inhabitants went inland to take refuge. As a consequence, 5,400 inhabitants were confirmed to have died, 7,000 are wounded and 25,000 people are missing. We also count 200,000 inhabitants who are homeless. On the isle of Java, 35,000 homes and buildings were completely destroyed!

The population misses many things! Fortunately 87 doctors came to help them. Food, drugs, drinking water, blankets were bought by the local assistance (The Red Cross in Indonesia, local doctors and 400 volunteer workers). There are also the French Doctors, UNO and UNICEF to help the survivors.

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Unfortunately, Indonesia is a place which is often exposed to earthquakes.

For example, the famous tsunami which occurred on December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2004. It was a terrible event because there were 230,000 victims and enormous damage. Before, in 1883 in August,

there was also an earthquake which made 36,000

victims. It is not the first earthquake, and that will not be the last one.

