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EARTHQUAKE in INDONESIA

In Indonesia, on the Island of Java, on 27th May 2006 at 5.53 am, there was an earthquake. The consequences were very serious.

Before the earthquake, the inhabitants were sleeping. When the first jolts started, they took refuge outside the town. The earthquake was really strong because the magnitude was 6.3 on the Richter scale. There were 5,400 dead, 7,000 wounded and 25,000 missing people, 35,000 houses and buildings were destroyed.

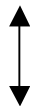
The earthquake caused a lot of damage because it is estimated 7.68 million Euros will be needed to rebuild the houses.

Today, the population needs doctors, medicine, shelters, food, blankets, and drinking water among others. And psychological help too. Fortunately the local Red Cross (400) , local doctors (87) are on the spot.

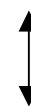
Indonesia has already had earthquakes. For example an earthquake took place on 12th December 1992, there were 2,000 dead people and on 28th March 2005, there were 905 dead people on the Island of Nia's.

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Victims



Cape of Island of Java