

The Australian Government's response to
the Asian tsunami

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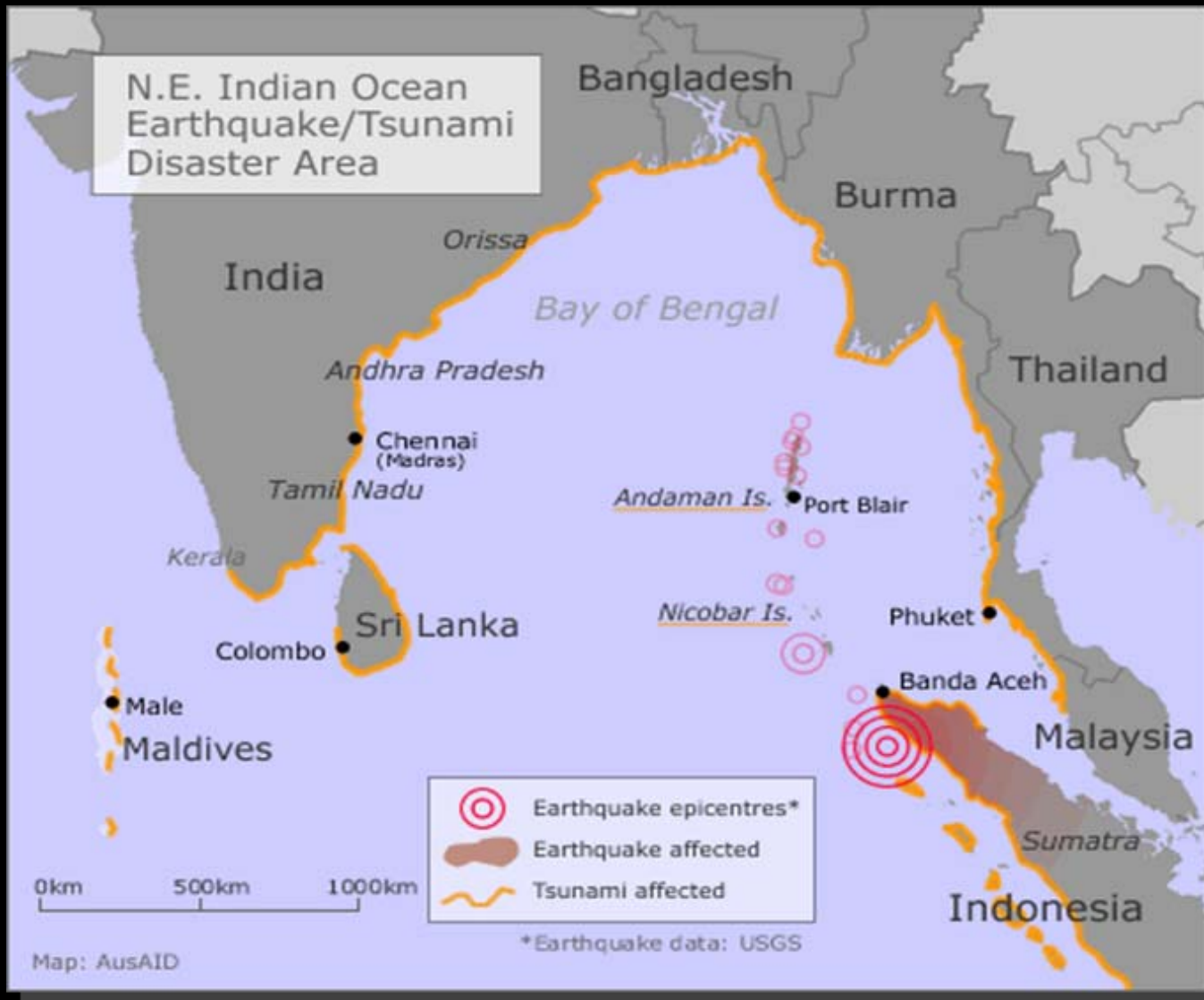
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TSUNAMI

In the first 36 hours following the disaster:

- an emergency task force of senior officials was established in Canberra at 6 pm on Sunday 26 December to coordinate Australia's response
- the AusAssist Plan - a standing AusAID disaster response plan- was activated on 27 December 2004
- essential medical and relief supplies from the AusAID store were sent to Indonesia on four RAAF C-130 Hercules, departing on 27-29 December.
- The flights also took two AusAID funded medical teams to conduct health assessments and provide primary treatment

FIRST
36 HOURS

In the first 36 hours following the disaster:

- AusAID funded the immediate deployment of four participants in UNDAC teams to Thailand and Indonesia
- AusAID staff from posts in affected countries were dispatched to disaster areas to assess the impact of the tsunami
- additional staff from Canberra were sent to Indonesia, Thailand and Sri Lanka to support posts.

FIRST
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Of the initial \$60 million, the Australian Government gave \$12 million to Australian and local NGOs already working in tsunami-affected countries:

- Australian Red Cross
- International Federation of the Red Cross
- Australian Foundation for the Peoples of Asia & the Pacific
- Oxfam Community Aid Abroad
- World Vision
- Care Australia
- Save the Children Fund
- Christian Children's Fund

IN
PARTNERSHIP

Of the initial \$60 million in emergency relief aid, Indonesia received almost \$33 million.

Funds were provided to support urgent public health needs, focussing on water and sanitation. Logistic support was provided in isolated areas and international agencies such as UNICEF, WHO and IOM as well as local Islamic and women's organisations were supported.



INDONESIA

Of the initial \$60 million

- Sri Lanka – \$11.5 million
- Maldives – \$3.5 million
- Seychelles - \$700,000
- Thailand – \$150,000
- India - \$910,000
- Regional - \$10.2 million

Opportunities

- Humanitarian/international
- Partnership – between Countries
-- within Australia
- Whole-of government
- Australian sector skills
- Commercial

AIPRD

Australia Indonesia Partnership

On 5 January 2005, the Prime Minister announced the 5-year, \$1 billion Australia – Indonesia Partnership for Reconstruction and Development (AIPRD)

IN THE
WAKE OF
DISASTER

AIPRD – Aims

To support Indonesia's reconstruction and development efforts, both in and beyond tsunami affected areas

A strong focus on partnership

A strong focus on transparency and accountability

An emphasis on economic and social development and Indonesia's programs of reform and democratisation

The AIPRD's primary objective is:

- to support Indonesia's reconstruction and development efforts, both in and beyond tsunami-affected areas, through sustained cooperation focused on the Indonesian Government's programs of reform, with an emphasis on economic and social development.

AIPRD

AusAID Tendering

Projects valued above AUD500,000 – open tender

Tendering environment is highly competitive

Contractor expected to manage project and provide technical and management personnel and undertake procurement of goods

Sub-contracting opportunities

AIPRD emphasises partnerships – think about this when considering relationships with Indonesian firms

Identifying Opportunities

Current public tenders are advertised in *The Weekend Australian* and other newspapers as appropriate and on the **AusTender and AusAID websites**:

<http://www.tenders.gov.au>

<http://www.ausaid.gov.au/business/tenders/index.cfm>

Firms and individuals can register on the Australian Development Gateway:

<http://www.developmentgateway.com.au/jahia/Jahia/lang/en/pid/13>

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