

# INFORMATION BULLETIN



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## ***MEXICO EARTHQUAKE***

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*This Bulletin is for information only. Further updates will follow shortly*

### ***The Situation***

An earthquake, magnitude 7.3, occurred 21 January at about 18:00 local time in Colima, west coast Mexico. Its location was 50 km ESE of Manzanillo, Colima, with a population of 94,000; 50 km SSW of Colima, Colima, with a population of 119,000 inhabitants; and 105 km SSW of Ciudad Guzman, Jalisco, with 85,000 inhabitants. A preliminary assessment indicates that 30 people died, unknown number were injured and the power and gas network was disrupted. The damage and need assessment is currently (09:00 Geneva time) being made.

### ***Red Cross/Red Crescent Action***

The Mexican Red Cross and International Federation's Delegate in Mexico City, Panama Regional Delegation and Panamerican Disaster Response Unit (PADRU) reacted immediately, in a co-ordinated way, in response to the disaster.

The Mexican Red Cross, skilful in the response to disasters, particularly earthquakes, is co-working with the Mexican Authorities, particularly the CENAPRED (Centro Nacional de Prevención de Desastres).

A second information bulletin will be issued later on today.

For a full description of the National Society profile, see [www.ifrc.org](http://www.ifrc.org)

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*For longer-term programmes, please refer to the Federation's Annual Appeal.*

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