

## The Indonesia's tsunami



The Republic of Indonesia is a state in the South-east of Asia between the Indian and Pacific oceans. It's the world's largest island country with its more than 13.000 islands. With 261 million people, it is the world's 4<sup>th</sup> most populous country.

The capital is Jakarta, the official language is Indonesian.



On the 28<sup>th</sup> of September 2018 at 18 hours 02 minutes and 44 seconds, the Indonesia's earthquake had a magnitude of 7,5. It triggered a tsunami and had destroyed 300.000 homes, hotels, shopping malls, and several mosques. It's been the most devastating earthquake in Indonesia since 2004 (9,1 magnitude). The city of Palu has been devastated. At least 1.300 or 1.400 people have died after the earthquake that hit Sulawesi (Indonesia Island). The tsunami was highest than 7 meters (23 feet).

More than 100 people are missing, 48.000 were evacuated and 620 were injured. Hundreds of bodies have been found on beaches and authorities fear many may have been washed out to sea. A search and rescue team is working to retrieve 50 people trapped in the ruins of the Roa Roa hotel in Palu. There is no electricity and drinking water is in short supply after the pipes were damaged. Indonesia's President, Joko Widodo has arrived in Palu and is inspecting the damage.



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