



The Development of Comprehensive Disaster Reduction Work in China

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National Plan for Comprehensive Disaster Reduction (2006-2010)

National Commission for Disaster Reduction

1st Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Reduction

International Natural Disasters
Reduction for Ten Years

National
Comprehensive
Disaster Prevention
and Reduction Plan
(2011-2015)

Transition



National Disaster Reduction
Plan (1998-2010)

China International Disaster
Reduction Committee

Whitepaper: China's Actions for
Disaster Prevention and Reduction

China Committee for International Disaster Reduction for Ten Years

42nd Session of the UN General Assembly



8 Priorities for Action

1. System and Mechanism
2. Legislation
3. Comprehensive Plan
4. Disaster Risk Management
5. Engineering Construction
6. Community-based DRR
7. Publicity and Education
8. International Cooperation



5 Major Changes

1. Departmental Disaster Management → Comprehensive Disaster Management
2. Disaster Relief → Disaster Reduction and Relief
3. Disaster Reduction → Disaster Risk Reduction
4. Engineering Measures → Engineering and Non-engineering Measures
5. Rural Disaster Relief → Urban and Rural Disaster Relief



The Plenary of China National Commission for Disaster Reduction on 12 May 2013



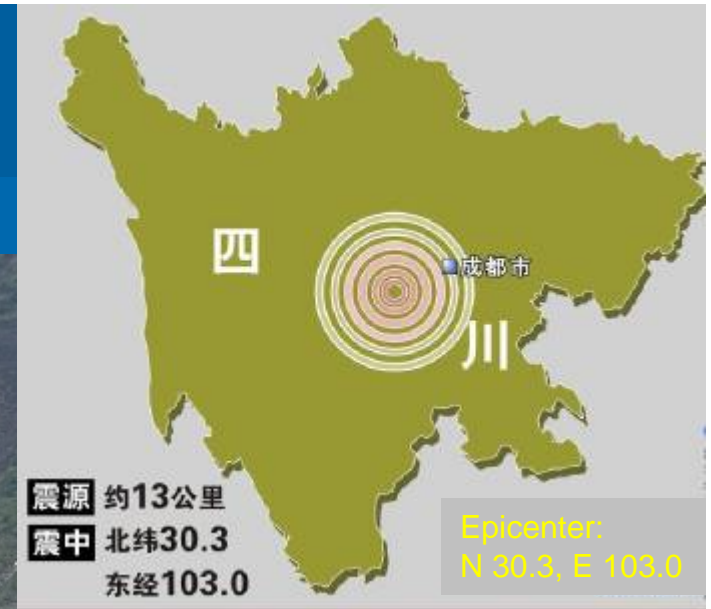
The National Comprehensive Disaster Prevention and Reduction Plan (2011- 2015)

Promulgated by the State Council, P.R.China

November 26, 2011



Lushan earthquake with magnitude 7.0 in Sichuan province on 20 April 2013.



- 117 counties and 2.84 million people affected
- 832000 people evacuated
- 196 dead, 21 missing, 14000 injured
- Direct economic loss: RMB 65.94 billion yuan



4 Outstanding Characteristics

1. Highlight local governments' major responsibility
2. More efficiently and effectively
3. Scientific disaster rescue and relief
4. More transparent and open

An aerial photograph of the Great Wall of China, showing the wall's path as it snakes across a series of rolling, green mountains. The scene is captured during the 'golden hour' of sunset, with a warm, orange glow on the horizon and the wall's surface. The sky is a clear, pale blue. The text 'THANK YOU!' is superimposed in the center of the image in a bold, yellow, serif font.

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