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A new tsunami hits Indonesia and leaves more than 400 people dead



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The affected area is in the Sonda Strait that separates the islands of Java and Sumatra.

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The tsunami has left thousands of people injured and displaced.



The tsunami has destroyed hundreds of houses causing the affected population to have moved.

The natural catastrophe happened last December 22 on the coast of the Sonda Strait, between the islands of Java and Sumatra.

Indonesia is again in a state of emergency. After the catastrophe that occurred in the month of September in the

Celebes Islands and without the affected population having had time to recover, now, a new tsunami has hit the country again, leaving at least **429 people dead and more than 1.500 injured**.

The natural catastrophe happened on December 22 on the **coast of the Sonda Strait**, between the islands of Java and Sumatra, causing that more than 15.000 children and families have had to move to the highest areas of the archipelago, according to the international agency Reuters.

The tsunami was caused by a large displacement of underwater land following the eruption of the 'Krakatoa' volcano, located in an area that serves as a link between the Java Sea and the Indian Ocean.

The tsunami on Saturday is the latest in a series of tragedies that have affected Indonesia this year. **The natural disaster in Celebes** occurred at the end of September and left more than 5,000 people missing and some 1,763 dead. To these victims are added almost 500 people more killed between July and August by a battery of earthquakes that affected the island of 'Lombok'.

The NGOs have already put in place emergency devices to help the affected population:

[UNICEF](#) teams have moved to the affected area to assess the situation and needs of the population after the tragedy and has activated a donation campaign to send first aid kits.

[Médecins Sans Frontières](#) has staff displaced in the country to care for tsunami victims and provide medical care to all people affected by the disaster. This donation campaign has also been activated from this NGO.

[Save the Children](#) It has basic necessities to distribute the place of the events that include plastic sheets and ropes to build temporary shelters, hygiene kits and jerry cans and various educational materials to encourage children to return to school as soon as possible.

Indonesia is located in the Pacific Ring of Fire and is the recurrent scenario of this type of natural phenomena that cause havoc among the population.

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