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Background

- Established in 2005
- Part of overall UN effort to developing tsunami early warning systems
- Contributions to date (Thailand & Sweden): US\$
 12.5 million



Main features

- Capacity building
- Indian Ocean & SE Asia ESCAP member countries
- End-to-end system
- Regional, subregional & national centers
- Draws upon ESCAP's experience
- Regional cooperation & coordination



Work with partners

Observers to Advisory Council meetings

Seminars and technical consultations

Networking to exchange information periodically



Accomplishments to date

- Commission Resolution 62/7
- Advisory Council
- Policy & operational guidelines
- Technical appraisal criteria and mechanism
- Dedicated website
- Draft Mapping study on gaps/unmet needs
- 1st Round of Funding completed



1st Round of Funding

- Deadline 31 August 2006
- 24 proposals received (almost US\$ 30 million)
- Applicants: regional and national entities, other agencies
- Technical appraisal
- Approval in principle of 5 proposals, interest in 3 others



Coming activities

- Finish finalization of proposals receiving approval/interest
- 2nd round of funding
- Monitoring & evaluation
- Enhance partnerships
- Resource mobilization



For more information:

http://www.unescap.org/pmd/tsunami_index.asp