

Message from the Governor to the Residents of Hyogo Prefecture

1. As of 5:00 PM today, the government has lifted the special advisory based on the Nankai Trough Earthquake Extra Information (Mega-quake Advisory) issued on August 8. I would like to express my gratitude to all residents for your calm and composed actions based on accurate information from the prefecture, municipalities, and related agencies.
2. The probability of a magnitude 8-9 class Nankai Trough Earthquake occurring within the next 30 years is estimated to be 70-80%. This does not mean that the risk has disappeared. I urge all residents to continue their preparations and readiness for potential earthquakes and tsunamis.
3. Specifically, please take actions to protect your lives and those of your loved ones by securing furniture, preparing emergency bags, confirming evacuation sites and routes, sharing family safety confirmation methods, stockpiling water and food, installing earthquake-activated circuit breakers, and reinforcing the earthquake resistance of buildings.

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