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SINAPROC preliminary damage report after magnitude 7.5 quake

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Summary

SINAPROC's national emergency centre reported on 10 October preliminary damage in ten provinces and two comarcas, including 33 affected homes in Chiriqui (one destroyed), plus damage to water plants, rural aqueducts, roads and 419 schools nationwide.

Details (summary of the article)

SINAPROC, through the National Emergency Operations Centre (COEN), gave a preliminary national damage assessment as of 10:00 a.m. Saturday 10 October following the magnitude 7.5 quake. Damage was reported to homes, schools, health facilities, government buildings, roads and bridges in Veraguas, Coclé, Los Santos, Herrera, Chiriqui, Panama, Panama Oeste, Colon, Bocas del Toro and Darien, as well as the Ngabe Bugle and Guna Yala comarcas. Main figures: more than 47 homes affected in Veraguas, 59 in Coclé, 140 in Los Santos, 126 in Herrera and 33 in Chiriqui, one of them totally destroyed. There is also damage to roads, bridges and rural aqueducts, and some communities remain cut off by landslides and road damage. In Colon one home, 8 tenement buildings (40 families), a government building and road infrastructure were affected; Bocas del Toro reports 7 homes; Darien reports 4 schools. In Los Santos about 300 people evacuated from Isla Cana to the community of Cana due to rising sea level and swell; authorities continue monitoring coastal conditions. Hospitals and health centres were affected, as were water treatment plants and rural aqueducts. The Ministry of Education reports 419 official schools affected nationwide. Tents with stretchers have been set up at six hospitals to reinforce care capacity. Humanitarian assistance: US Southern Command, through its Civil Affairs Group, Joint Task Force Bravo with helicopters and the Joint Security Group, is coordinating transport, assessment and logistical support with the National Aeronaval Service and other response agencies. A shelter at the IFARHU facilities in Penonomé, Coclé, houses 13 people (8 adults and 5 children). No missing persons are reported nationwide while damage and needs assessments continue. Recommendations: stay informed through official channels; do not enter structurally damaged buildings until inspected; do not travel on damaged roads or bridges; move away from coasts if sea level changes unusually and follow evacuation instructions; report risks to the authorities. Figures are preliminary and may change as field assessments progress.

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Actualización en las zonas afectadas por el sismo de magnitud 7.5 Panamá, 10 de octubre de 2026.- El Sistema Nacional de Protección Civil (SINAPROC), a través del Centro de Operaciones de Emergencias Nacional (COEN), informa a la ciudadanía sobre el balance preliminar de afectaciones registradas a nivel nacional De acuerdo con los reportes consolidados hasta [...] The post COMUNICADO OFICIAL #3 first appeared on Sinaproc .