

SINAPROC Official Report No. 13 on earthquake damage

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Summary

SINAPROC's national emergency centre published its 13th report on 15 October 2026 on damage from the magnitude 7.5 earthquake: 5,821 homes assessed, 3,696 people in shelters and 27 injured nationwide. In Chiriquí it lists damaged homes, two health centres, 139 schools, nine churches, a collapsed water tank, road damage and one shelter with 17 people.

Details (summary of the article)

SINAPROC's National Emergency Operations Centre issued Official Report No. 13 on 15 October 2026 with the preliminary national picture after the magnitude 7.5 earthquake. Across the country 5,821 homes covering 19,309 people have been assessed, 3,696 people remain in more than 46 shelters, 576 schools and 42 health centres are affected and 27 people were injured. MEDUCA has identified 619 damaged schools and inspected 505 so far, including 63 in Chiriquí and 38 in the Ngäbe-Buglé comarca. For Chiriquí the report lists damaged houses, two health centres, 139 schools, nine churches, a collapsed water tank, road damage and one shelter housing 17 people. The heaviest damage is in Veraguas, Los Santos, Herrera and Coclé, where thousands of homes were assessed and shelters remain open, with one death reported in Los Santos. Humanitarian aid has reached 72 communities in six provinces and the comarca, with over 321,005 pounds flown in and more than 321 tonnes delivered by road. Venezuela, Costa Rica and the United States have sent 48 tonnes of aid, 39 infrastructure and geology experts and a tent hospital for newborns. Most water treatment plants are back in service nationally, though some areas still have interruptions.

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Panamá, 15 de octubre de 2026.- El Centro de Operaciones de Emergencia Nacional (COE Nacional), del Sistema Nacional de Protección Civil (SINAPROC), presenta el balance preliminar de las afectaciones registradas a nivel nacional tras el sismo de magnitud 7.5. De acuerdo con el consolidado preliminar, se han evaluado 5,821 viviendas, que corresponden a 19,309 personas. [...] The post Comunicado Oficial #13 first appeared on Sinaproc .