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SINAPROC Official Report #15: 8,403 homes assessed after 9 October quake

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Summary

SINAPROC's national emergency operations centre reported on Sunday 18 October that 8,403 homes housing 27,516 people have been assessed after the magnitude 7.5 earthquake near Tonosí, with 2,081 homes totally destroyed and 3,827 people still in 55 shelters.

Details (summary of the article)

Panama, 18 October 2026 – SINAPROC, through the National Emergency Operations Centre (COE), reported that as of midday Sunday 8,403 homes had been assessed, covering 27,516 people, as part of the response to the magnitude 7.5 earthquake centred 39 km northwest of Tonosí at a depth of 4 km. Preliminary figures: 2,081 homes totally destroyed, 5,137 with moderate or partial damage and 1,185 with light damage; 576 schools, 42 health centres and 27 people injured. MIDES and the COE report 55 active shelters with 3,827 people, 2,672 of them in Veraguas (about 70%). Between 14 and 18 October the central government delivered humanitarian aid to 175 communities in seven provinces and one comarca, across 26 districts; Los Santos had 73 communities served and Veraguas 47 in six districts. The IMA has distributed 26,985 food bags in seven days, reaching 556 communities and an estimated 110,525 people. More than 188,592 pounds of cargo were moved by air in over 303 flight hours and over 370 tonnes by road. The Ministry of Education reports 619 schools affected and 853 schools already technically inspected. Most water treatment plants nationwide have been restored, and security and emergency bodies continue monitoring the affected areas.

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Panamá, 18 de octubre de 2026.- El Sistema Nacional de Protección Civil (SINAPROC), a través del Centro de Operaciones de Emergencia Nacional (COE), informó que, hasta las 12:00 mediodía de este domingo, se han evaluado 8,403 viviendas, que corresponden a 27,516 personas, como parte de las acciones de respuesta ante el sismo de magnitud 7.5, [...] The post Comunicado Oficial #15 first appeared on Sinaproc .