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SINAPROC Official Report #16: 9,500 homes assessed, Green Alert in three districts

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Summary

SINAPROC's 19 October update on the 9 October earthquake reports more than 9,500 homes assessed (31,643 people), 2,318 totally damaged, and declares a Green Alert in Mariato, Soná and Tonosí due to unstable weather. Chiriquí is not among the alert areas, but heavy rain warnings remain nationwide.

Details (summary of the article)

SINAPROC, through the National Emergency Operations Centre, published its preliminary assessment of damage and response following the 9 October 2026 earthquake. A Green Alert was declared in the districts of Mariato and Soná (Veraguas) and Tonosí (Los Santos) because of unstable weather forecast by IMHPA, which could cause rapid rises in rivers and streams and flooding in vulnerable areas. As of 19 October, more than 9,500 homes housing 31,643 people had been assessed: 2,318 with total damage, 5,546 with moderate or partial damage and 1,260 with minor damage; 27 people were injured, and the surveys identified 104 pregnant women and 1,265 people with disabilities. Between 14 and 19 October humanitarian aid reached 204 communities across six provinces and the Ngäbe-Buglé Comarca in 32 districts, and the IMA distributed 26,985 food bags reaching an estimated 110,525 people in 556 communities. MIDES data to 17 October show 55 active shelters with 3,827 people, nearly 70% of them in Veraguas. Logistics included over 194,887 pounds of air cargo, 306 flight hours, 37 evacuations and more than 406 tonnes moved by road; MEDUCA inspected 721 schools and MINSA reported 120 damaged health facilities, 13 destroyed. Venezuela, Costa Rica and the United States have sent 48 tonnes of aid, 39 infrastructure and geology experts and tent hospitals for newborns. A video-call line for deaf people was opened at 6998-4776; emergencies 520-4426 or 911.

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Panamá, 19 de octubre de 2026.- El Sistema Nacional de Protección Civil (SINAPROC), a través del Centro de Operaciones de Emergencias Nacional (COEN), presenta el balance preliminar de las afectaciones y acciones de respuesta tras el sismo del pasado 9 de octubre de 2026. En tanto, el SINAPROC declara Alerta Verde en los distritos de [...] The post Comunicado Oficial #16 first appeared on Sinaproc .