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The Indian ocean Tsunami

In 2004, several countries that border the Indian Ocean, including Indonesia, Thailand, India, Malaysia and Somalia, _____ (1) by an earthquake and subsequent tsunami. (As you may already know, a tsunami is a giant wave). In just a few short hours, millions of lives _____ (2) forever. The _____ (3) at 9.3 on the Richter scale. It was the fourth largest earthquake since 1900 and the second largest that _____ (4) on the Richter scale.

The quake _____ (5) by four giant waves as high as 100 feet (or 30 meters). Whole villages _____ (6). Thousand of people _____ (7) out to sea, and many others _____ (8) due to lack of medical care. In total, almost 300,000 people _____ (9), and 1,3 million people _____ (10) homeless. After shocks from the earthquake _____ (11) for several days.

Tragically, the damage could have been lessened if there had been a tsunami early-warning system. Such a system already _____ (12) for the Pacific Ocean, but it _____ (13) to the Indian Ocean. Since the tsunami disaster, governments _____ (14) together to develop an early-warning system so that Southeast Asia _____ (15) such destruction again from a tsunami.