Japan earthquake: Fires hit quake zone as rescuers race to reach survivors – Homes collapsed, buildings caught fire and roads were extensively damaged, hindering the work of rescue services. The epicentre of the 7.6 quake was the Noto peninsula, in central Japan.

The Prime Minister, Fumio Kishida, said that emergency services were locked in a "race against time" to rescue survivors. He also said some 3,000 rescuers were trying to reach parts of the Noto peninsula. Helicopter surveys showed many fires and widespread damage to buildings and infrastructure.

The city of Wajima, on the northern tip of Noto, has been cut off from land routes. In the coastal city of Suzu in Ishikawa prefecture, some 90% of homes in the city had been "completely or nearly completely destroyed", mayor Masushiro Izumiya told news outlet Kyodo.

The Japanese military has been handing out supplies including food, water and blankets for those who have had to vacate their homes. The country's government has said that 57,360 people had to be evacuated. Tens of thousands of meals are being delivered across the affected region.

Aftershocks continued into Tuesday. The chief cabinet secretary, Yoshimasa Hayashi, warned people to "be alert" for more earthquakes "of an intensity of up to 7" in the coming week. Ishikawa, 155km (96.3 miles) south of the Noto peninsula, experienced a 4.9 quake on Tuesday afternoon.

The major tsunami warnings put out by the Japanese government on Monday were later downgraded. By Tuesday, all tsunami advisories were lifted along the Sea of Japan, meaning there was no longer a risk of such an event. Residents of the affected area of Japan have been sharing their experiences of the quake, which lasted several minutes.

1. What is the main idea of the 3rd paragraph?
   A. The impact on homes, buildings, and roads from Japan earthquakes.
   B. The Japanese military was on their way to supply the refugees.
   C. The earthquake continued into Tuesday.
   D. Some Japanese cities like Wajima have been cut off from land routes due to the destruction.
   E. The Prime Minister had been doing rescue work together with military forces in order to save survivors.
2. The word ‘peninsula’ has similar meaning as…
   A. Bay
   B. Coast
   C. Headland
   D. Strait
   E. Ocean
3. How many people have been rescued?
   A. 3.000 people
   B. 57.360 people
   C. 5.360 people
   D. More than 3.000 people
   E. Hadn’t mentioned in the text
4. Which of the following statements is FALSE according to the text?
   A. Almost 90% of homes in Wajima had been completely or nearly destroyed.
   B. The supplies were difficult to reach for refugees.
   C. The aftershocks continued into Tuesday.
   D. Yoshimasa Hayashi warned the people of Japan about more earthquakes.
   E. 3.000 people were trying to evacuate to the Noto peninsula.
5. How much richter scale of earthquake that happened in Ishikawa?
   A. 4,9
   B. 9,63
   C. 7,6
   D. 4,8
   E. 8,3

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