THE EXPERIENCES OF AN EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI



The earthquake was so powerful that I couldn't stand without leaning against the wall. I wanted to help others but massive vibration wouldn't let me do it.



[male/34 years old]

The ground of the park was cracked and sea water gushed out. I thought that the world ended. It was so scary that I couldn't help but crying.



[female/22 years old]



It was the earthquake I have never experienced before in my life. Tsunami warning siren sounded, and I fled in hurry to the evacuation areas. I just couldn't accept the fact that this disaster occurred as a reality.



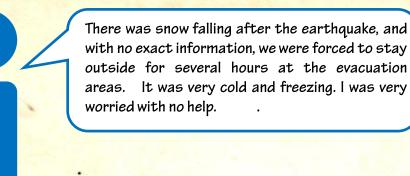
[male/62 years old]

The big tsunami which I have not experienced came after the earthquake.

The second wave of tsunami was larger than the first wave, and it made Matsushima the miserable situation.

I felt so powerless, and only seeing the bay.

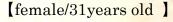




[male/28years old]



The unending siren hindered me from sleeping on that night. Tsunami attacked Matsushima repeatedly. I felt my life would be in jeopardy all the time.





On the next day, I was speechless, seeing Matsushima devastated by Tsunami. My favorite Matsushima was gone, and instead, the shore was filled with mud and debris with nasty smells.

[male/44 years old]



Aftershock continued. The siren of tsunami sounded every time.
There was nothing I could do but being patient waiting until the siren stopped.