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Activation: Flooding

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Highlights

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This Regional Situation Report is based on reports from social media and includes highlights of the situation, situation reports and maps, social media accounts, and highlights from some of the regions most impacted..

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Situation Report – (period covered: 18-20 March, 2017)

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Situation Overview

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Highlights:

20 Mar:

- Government of Peru declared emergency in 15 districts of Lima [source](#)
- Flooded towns have not had food for about a week. Supermarkets in Lima are out of water and running low on food. (personal communication from Lima).
- The Central Highway (Carretera Central - Lima to Chanchamayo) is now restricted to only emergency vehicles, cargo vehicles carrying food, fuel and potable water will have access; vehicles with donations, machinery to rehabilitate roads, and buses for passenger transportation. The restriction is in place for the next 10 days, 24 hours a day. [Source](#)
- MapAction has deployed a team to Lima to support the United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination team in creating an overview of affected areas and priority needs. [Source](#)
- Ecuador has sent 3,500 kilos of food rations to Lima. [Source](#)

19 Mar:

- Regions affected include: Amazonas, Áncash, Apurímac, Arequipa, Ayacucho, Cajamarca, Cusco, Huancavelica, Huánuco, Ica, Junín, La Libertad, Lambayeque, Lima, Madre de Dios, Moquegua, Pasco, Piura, Puno, San Martín, Tacna, Tumbes, Ucayali. [Source](#)
- 8 health facilities have collapsed, 16 are uninhabitable, and 380 have been affected. [Source](#)
- Red Cross Peru has activated emergency teams in Santa Ana, Chiclayo, Chimbo, San Jacinto and Tambo, areas affected by the floods and mudslides. Initial, rapid assessments from these teams indicate priority needs include shelter, water and sanitation, livelihood and food security support, and emergency healthcare with an

emphasis on vector control and responding to water-borne diseases. The volunteers are also providing first aid, pre-hospital assistance and helping people connect with their families [source](#)

- Areas north of Lima at higher elevations have no running water, electricity or cell phone service. [Source](#)
- In total, more than 300 Armed Forces brigades are deployed in Huachipa and Chosica, among Army personnel, Navy and Air Force, supporting the cleaning of roads affected by debris and mud, the product of the last overflow of the River Rimac. The head of the Defense sector also oversaw the distribution of breakfast among the affected population. 1,500 Pachacutec breads were distributed, and a thousand rations of oatmeal with milk and an equal number of boiled eggs, all prepared in two army kitchens of the Army transferred to the area of attention. [Source](#)
- “Prime Minister Fernando Zavala said 72,115 Peruvians had lost everything, while 567,551 had suffered less serious damages. He predicted days of more rain ahead.” [Source](#)
- The Instituto Nacional de Defensa Civil (INDECI) and the Peruvian Navy began shipping relief supplies to the northern part of the country on 18 March. [Source](#)
- Colombia is sending 30 tons of aid to Peru. [Source](#)

18 Mar:

- The airport is in chaos with thousands of tourists trying to leave and aid agencies trying to come in. [Source](#)
- 852 schools have been damaged. This includes 276 in Piura, 138 in Lambayeque, and 116 in Ica. [Source](#)
- As of 18 March, the Air Force had rescued 292 people in areas of Lima including Carapongo, Sayán, Huachipa, and Cañete. [Source](#)
- A lot of animals are suffering. Volunteers from the veterinarian community are needed. [Source](#)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Situation Reports and Maps

20 Mar:

- UNOCHA Situation Report No 2. [Source](#)
- Interactive Peru Map with population by city, district, region [source](#)

19 Mar:

- Ministry of Defense Report March 19, 2017 [source](#)
- Red Cross Peru [website](#) [twitter](#) [facebook](#)
- [IFRC Information Bulletin No. 1](#), March 19, 2017
- [Map of people impacted by region](#), Save the Children.

18 Mar or earlier:

- Reporte de Situación No. 01 de la Oficina de la Coordinadora Residente (al 16/03/2017).
[Source](#)

Officials Accounts

President of Peru [website](#) [twitter](#) [facebook](#)

Emergency Operations Center [twitter](#)

Ministers Council [website](#) [twitter](#) [facebook](#)

Minister of Defense [website](#) [twitter](#) [facebook](#)

Minister of Education [website](#) [twitter](#) [facebook](#)

Police Peru [website](#) [twitter](#) [facebook](#)

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Pictures and Videos

20 Mar:

- Video of town with rapid flooding, family trapped. [Source](#)

19 Mar:

- Trujillo El Porvenir street flooding video [source](#)
- Trujillo street flooding video [source](#)

18 Mar:

- Flooded Hospital de Apoyo in Huarmey. [source](#)

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URGENT NEEDS BY REGIONS

Tumbes Region

- **Tumbes Province** (pop. 111,595)
 - 19 Mar:
 - The Air Force evacuated 50 people from Tumbes by air to Lima including some elderly people, sick patients and children. [Source](#)
 - San Jacinto - Red Cross Peru has activated emergency teams [source](#)

- As of 16 March, 1,637 people have been affected, 7 schools damaged, and one health center damaged. The districts of Corrales, Pampas de Hospital, San Juan de la Virgen, San Jacinto, Puerto Pizarro, La Cruz and Tumbes were the worst hit. [Source](#)

Piura Region

- **Region**
 - 19 Mar: Piura is the most affected region. 225,492 people are affected, 18,996 seriously, there have been 6 deaths, 2,250 homes have collapsed. 8,681 hectares of crops have been lost. 829 kilometres of roads of roads, 159 bridges, and 614 irrigation canals have been destroyed. [Source](#)
- **Piura** (pop. 446,440)
 - 19 Mar:
 - Hundreds of carriers stranded in Morrope road to #Piura video [source](#)
 - Streets were flooded in Piura [source](#)
 - 18 Mar:
 - 276 schools have been damaged. [Source](#)

Cajamarca Region

- **Contumazá Province**
 - 20 Mar: The districts of San Benito, Gusmango, and Cupisnique have been most affected. An infantry battalion is transporting aid in by truck. Club de Leones, Nueva Acrópolis, and Caritas are assisting in providing aid. [Source](#)

Lambayeque Region

- **Region**
 - 18 Mar: 138 schools have been damaged. [Source](#)
- **Lambayeque Province** (pop 230,385 inhabitants)
 - 19 Mar:
 - **Puchaca:** The village of Puchaca, district of Incahuasi, Ferreñafe, Lambayeque. People are isolated and need urgent help. (“*El caserío de Puchaca, distrito de Incahuasi, Ferreñafe, Lambayeque. Incomunicado, aislado, familias necesitan ayuda urgente*”) [source](#)
- **Chiclayo** (pop. 600,440)
 - 19 Mar:
 - Red Cross Peru has activated emergency teams in Chiclayo [source](#)
 - Zana bridge has collapsed and isolated village. (“*#Chiclayo: Colapsa puente colgante de Zaña y aísla a caseríos (FOTOS) - https://goo.gl/t0stfL*”) [source](#)

La Libertad Region

- **Region**

- 18 Mar: 35,000 people have been affected. 8,000 have lost everything and are homeless. The region is working to provide shelter, tents, and water. [Source](#)
- **El Porvenir** (pop. 132,461)
 - 19 Mar:
 - Video street flooding [source](#)
 - Photos of damage from flooding [source](#)
- **Viru** (pop. 42,638)
 - 19 Mar:
 - The Virú bridge has fallen down, Trujillo and Virú are isolated. There's no way to go to the south now [source](#)
- **Trujillo** (pop. 949,498)
 - 20 Mar:
 - 12,000 homes have collapsed in Trujillo. The government has brought in heavy machinery and is working to install cisterns. [Source](#)
 - 19 Mar:
 - Internet outages in Trujillo. (“No hay internet en trujillo. Tendré que hacer la review mañana.”) [source](#)

Ancash Region

- **Huarmey** (pop 20,600)
 - 20 Mar:
 - “Declare state of emergency in the regions of Ancash, Cajamarca, La Libertad...! <http://fb.me/1UZJtRhRn>” [source](#)
 - “#UnaSolaFuerza @Antamina_Peru and @Sedachimbote reactivated the drinking water service hours for #Huarmey #SNMPE [source](#)
 - “hospital flooded and inoperable” [source](#)
 - 19 Mar:
 - 8 patients were rescued from the flooded hospital. [Source](#)
 - Food and medicine is need in Huarmey. The Navy has brought relief supplies, but trucks are needed to transport the supplies where needed. [Source](#)
 - 18 Mar:
 - 80% of the coastal city of [Huarmey](#) is underwater (up to 1m [source](#)) including hospital [source](#)
 - ““My village is inundated,” he said. “Three days and we're still underwater. There is no light or food in my village.” He urged the president to provide heavy equipment to help divert the course of the river that has been flooding Huarmey.” [source](#)
- **Casma** (pop. 29,343)
 - 19 Mar: The Sechin bridge in Casma is about to collapse. [Source](#)

Lima Region

- **Region**
 - 20 Mar: 15 districts in Lima Metro declared disaster [Source](#)
 - 18 Mar: 128 districts in the Lima region were declared disasters. [Source](#)

- **Barranca Province** (pop 137,689)
 - Barranca (pop 63,800) [website](#) [facebook](#) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Supe (pop 28,300) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Supe Puerto (pop. 10,543) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)

- **Canete Province** (pop 191,409) [website](#)
 - Asia (pop 66,118) [website](#) [facebook](#) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Calango (pop. 2,559) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Chilca (14,180) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Imperial (34,778) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Nuevo Imperial (pop 19,280) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - San Luis (pop 11,653) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)

- **Chosica**
19 Mar:
 - El coliseo Carmela Estrella has been established as a shelter as well as tents. Portable toilets will be provided. [Source](#)
 - “hundreds of residents of the Chosica neighborhood spent Saturday night in tents set up in sports fields or on school grounds near their homes” [source](#)

- **Cono Este Province**
 - San Juan de Lurigancho @PoliciaPeru provide drinking water to residents [source](#)

- **Huarochiri Province**
 - Matucana (pop 5,768) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Carampoma (pop 515) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Lahuaytambo (803) [website](#) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - San Pedro de Huancayre (pop 249) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Santiago de Tuna (pop 470) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Surco (pop 2,057) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)

- **Huaral Province** (pop 9,600)
 - Atavillos Bajo (pop 1,298) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)

- **Huara Province**
 - Huacho (pop 92,000) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Hualmay (26,603) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
 - Vegueta (pop 18,113) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)

- **Lima Province**
20 Mar:
 - Roads in and out north of Lima are treacherous. Some people have been stranded. [Source](#)
 19 Mar:

- No water in Lima, and shops have sold out of bottled water. [Source](#)
- Huachipa District has no electricity or drinking water, and all the roads in and out have been washed out. [Source](#)
- “Classes have been suspended in Lima and, with some areas without running water for three days, supermarkets are starting to report a shortage of bottled water.” [Source](#)
- The “Carretera Central” a Highway leading eastward out of Lima continues to be affected by landslides [general-source](#) . (Partially) cleared [Landslide at Km68](#) [Landslide Km81](#) . Authorities have put in place traffic restrictions until March 28th. Access is limited to emergency vehicles, maintenance vehicles, public transit busses and vehicles transporting basic necessities like water or fuel. [Source](#)
- “The Rimac River in Lima toppled a pedestrian bridge linking El Agustino and San Juan de Lurigancho.” [Source](#)
- The San Juan de Lurigancho hospital in Canto Grande urgently needs water. [Source](#)

18 Mar:

- The water supply in Lima was affected by flooding and landslides. Sedapal has been working to supply free drinking water while repairing the damage to the water system. Running water will be reestablished gradually in the city. [Source](#)

- **Oyon Province**

- Oyon (pop 17,445) [website](#) [twitter](#) [facebook](#) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)

- **Yauyos Province** (pop 27,842) [website](#)

- Carania (pop 335) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
- Huampara (pop 286) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
- San Joaquin (pop 243) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)
- San Pedro de Pilas (pop 453) Mar 19 declared disaster [source](#)

Huancavelica Region

- **Huaytara Province**

- Tambo District (pop 1,224)
 - 19 Mar: Red Cross Peru has activated emergency teams in Tambo [source](#)

Ica Region

- **Region**

- 116 schools damaged in the region. [Source](#)

Arequipa Region

- **Arequipa Province** (pop 9.7 million) [website](#)

- Arequipa (pop 869,351)

Mar 20

- The 300,000 inhabitants of Arequipa supplied drinking water from the treatment plant La Tomilla II, will only have potable water Thursday 23 March. [Source](#)

Mar 17

- 300,000 residents or about 30% of Arequipa is without potable water [source](#)

Cusco Region

- **Machu Picchu**

- 19 Mar: Tourists have been evacuated from Machu Picchu to Cusco because the Urubamba River is raging. [Source](#)