How to protect your life from natural disasters (Heavy rain/flooding/landslide)

It is important to aways be aware of how to keep yourself safe and protect your life. Please read this leaflet and make sure you are prepared for when a disaster strikes.

Heavy rain/flooding

- During the rainy season from June to July and the typhoon season from August to October, we have a lot of rain.
- Heavy rainfall can cause rivers to overflow and embankments to burst, resulting in flooding of streets and houses.
- Be sure to stay away from the river when it is raining heavily.

Landslides

When there is a lot of rain, mountainsides or cliffs can collapse causing landslides. Be sure to stay away from the mountains and cliffs when it is raining heavily.

Weather advisory/warning

Be sure to check for the news on when the typhoon comes and rain/ wind becomes strong on TV and radio.

Term	Explanation	
Emergency warning	Issued when a major disaster is anticipated. The danger level is very high.	
Warning	Issued when a significant disaster is anticipated.	
Advisory	Issued when a disaster is anticipated. Be sure to monitor the news and survey the situation outside. Confirm where to seek shelter and your route to that place.	Į

Evacuation information/alert level

Be sure to check for the news on TV, radio and website if evacuation is necessary.

Alert level	Evacuation information	What you should do
5	Emergency Safety Measures	A disaster is currently happening in your area. Take immediate measures to protect yourself. In the event of a flood, evacuate to a high location. In the case of landslides, take shelter in the furthest room from the landslide.
4	Evacuation Instruction	People living in risk areas should evacuate immediately. If it is dangerous to go outside, move to the safest location in your house, such as the second (or higher) floor for flooding or the furthest room from potential landslides.
3	Evacuation of the Elderly, Etc	People who need time to evacuate such as elderly people and children should evacuate immediately. Everyone else should prepare for evacuation.
2	Heavy Rain,Flood Advisories, Etc	Monitor the news on TV and check where to seek shelter and your route to that place on the hazard map.
1	Early Advisory Information	

Check disaster information





Safety tips - Provides warnings for

earthquakes, heavy rains, etc.





NHK WORLD-JAPAN I - Provides information on disaster damage.



The multilingual speech translation app is available for free. Provided by: National Institute of information and Communications Technology (NICT)



VoiceTra I - Converts what you say into Japanese.









You Can find disaster information for Hanamaki City on the official Hanamaki City website





[Hanamaki International Exchange Association] For additional multilingual resources, consultation, and general help, please feel free to visit or call. TEL: 0198-26-5833 E-mail: kokusai_staff_a@hanakokusai.or.jp

Community connections can be invaluable when natural disasters occur.

Let's take part in disaster drills in our neighborhoods. Outside of times of emergency, local area events and activities are welcoming,

and likely happy to accept volunteers!



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