# Safety and Security

# **Technical Emergency Control FORCE**

**TEC-FORCE** (Technical Emergency Control Force)



It is a group of experts established in the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure. Transport and Tourism, and each Regional Development Bureau, etc. in order to perform smooth and prompt implementation of technical support for disaster emergency measures such a: prompt grasp of the damage situation carried out by afflicted local government, prevention of occurrence and spread of damage, and early restoration of afflicted areas when a large-scale natural disaster occurs or there is a risk of an occurrence.

#### **Disaster situation investigation**











Drainage work by Development Bureau pump car 
Investigation of the disaster situation (September, 2015 Kanto Tohoku torrential rain: Joso City)





Emergency construction assisted by lighting car 
Investigation of road damage area (April, 2016 Kumamoto Earthquake)

## **Major activities**

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* March, 2011	Great East Japan Earthquake	2,882 people (18,115 person-day in total) from all over the country
❖ August, 2014	Landslide occurred in Hiroshima prefecture	439 people from all over the country (2,431 person-day in total)
◆ August, 2014	Torrential rain disaster occurred in Fukuchiyama city, etc	in Kyoto Prefecture 158 people from all over the country (378 person-day in total)
September, 2015	Torrential rain in Kanto and Tohoku	826 people from all over the country (2,587 person-day in total)

#### **Activity content**

Dispatch of Information Contact Personnel (Liaison), etc. to Emergency Disaster Response Task Force (TEC-FORCE) and afflicted local government.

#### **Recent Activity**

- TEC-FORCE activities in the Kinki Regional Development Bureau in the 2016 Kumamoto earthquakes Approximately four hours after the 2016 Kumamoto earthquakes (occurrence 21:26 → departure 01:30) Dispatched TEC-FORCE 1st team
- Dispatched from the Kinki Regional Development Bureau (April 15 May 13: 30 days, 16 groups of 129 people, 797 person-day in total (preliminary figures)
- Dispatched seven lighting cars, two satellite communication cars, two disaster headquarters cars, and one disassemble type backhoe capable of unmanned construction

# Support for afflicted municipalities

# Signed "support at the time of disaster" between Regional Development **Bureau and municipalities**

An agreement is concluded for quick and smooth dispatch of TEC-FORCE, liaison, and machinery for disaster countermeasures in order to prevent damage expansion and secondary disasters, when a disaster occurred in the area of a local government (municipality) or there is a risk of a disaster.

Agreement at the time of disaster with various organizations • Construction business continuity plan (construction business BCP

# Concluded a disaster agreement between the Regional Development Bureau and various organizations

In response to the occurrence or fear of disasters such as Earthquakes, tsunamis, wind and flood damage, an agreement is concluded in order to prepare system in advance, prompt and smooth emergency response immediately after the disaster, and implementation of emergency no-bid contract construction, etc. against

occurrence or risk of etc.

# Promotion of construction business continuity plan (construction BCP) at the time of disaster

For large-scale natural disasters, secondary disaster prevention, emergency response, early restoration and reconstruction of infrastructure are the most important tasks. For this reason, construction companies, etc. need to take measures to mitigate their damage and to strengthen disaster response capabilities for quick returning to normal operations, and Kinki Regional Development Bureau, with expectation that such efforts will be promoted, implements a construction business continuity certification system in the event of a disaster

#### What is Business Continuity Plan (BCP)?

When a company suffers damage due to a disaster or accident, it is expected to minimize the damage or avoid interruption of the important operations as well as to resume in the shortest possible period. This plan to pursue business continuity is called as "Business Continuity Plan (BCP)."

#### **Current Certified Companies**

This system is established from FY 2012 and certified 600 companies with business continuity capability at the time of disaster. (As of March 20, 2016)

# Effects of construction business continuity certification system

- Promotion of construction business continuity plan
- Disaster-resistant construction industry in the Kinki district → Improvement of corporate capabilities
- System for quick restoration and reconstruction at the time of disaster → Contribution to the community and society

# System of certification

Construction company

Apply for accreditation by preparing the system (basic continuing power, community contribution) necessary for business continuity in the event of a disaster



Local Government Support Activities

(Technical support by TEC-FORCE,

Miyazu City, Kyoto Prefecture)

→ Improvement of regional disaster prevention ability

At the disaster of Kinki Regional Development Bureau Construction business continuity certification system

# Crisis management and response for large-scale natural disasters such as the huge earthquake and tsunami of the Nankai Trough

### Nankai Trough earthquake countermeasure plan

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure Transport and Tourism has formulated the "Nankai Trough Earthquake Countermeasures Plan" and "Kinki District Regional Countermeasures Plan" on April 1, 2014 as a response to the occurrence of the Nankai Trough earthquake, and the ministry compiled measures to tackle with full efforts.

### Various training in cooperation with other organizations

In cooperation with administrative organizations as well as disaster prevention organizations such as local governments and public institutions, in order to protect citizens' safety and security from large-scale natural disasters and crisis management events, various kinds of training are implemented.

#### Use daily training results For actual disaster response Disaster of typhoon No 18 in 2013 Implemented training of Grasped the disaster securing traffic routes situation and provided for emergency vehicles support for emergency jointly with police, etc. restoration works Monitoring of disaster sites using satellite communication Training of removing unattended cars Dispatch of lighting car to the Kanto Tohoku torrential **Emergency** rain in 2015 drainage training by pumping cars by TEC-FORCE Large-scale drainage work in Jyoso City, members Ibaraki prefecture Drainage of flooded ▶

# Enhancing observation of localized torrential rain, • Accelerating information transmission

Currently, water disasters due to localized torrential rain are increasing, as a countermeasure, high-performance compact radar, capable of high precision and high frequency observation, is developed, which shorten the time for observation data distribution to strengthen the crisis management responsiveness.

Prediction of localized

Pump car drainage training

Torrential rain and consideration of early detection method will be conducted from the observation data.

Promotion of development of areas resilient to tsunami disasters

igh-performance compact radar rain gauge (Rok

Local governments are supported in order to prevent and reduce future tsunami disasters by implementing a "multiple protection" system that includes structural and non-structural measures for "Development of Areas Resilient to Tsunami Disasters."

# Basic idea for the largest class tsunami

 It is important to take countermeasures based on the concept of "disaster reduction" focusing on minimizing damages. Thus, the damage caused by the tsunami shall be reduced as much as

possible through structural measures such as coastal conservation facilities. For tsunamis exceeding the above, non-structural measures that focus on evacuation, such as the development of hazard maps, shall be emphasized



