

## Appendix II

Municipalities should make prompt reports on damage caused by a disaster to the National Government through its prefecture in the case of a natural disaster, based on the following criteria.

- 1) When the damage caused by the disaster meets the criteria for disaster-relief work of the Disaster Relief Act
- 2) When its prefecture or municipality established a disaster countermeasure headquarters
- 3) When there occurred a disaster spreading to two or more prefectures, and when the damage caused by the disaster is serious in other prefectures even if the damage is slight in its own prefecture
- 4) When the occurred disaster requires special financial support by the National Government
- 5) When the above circumstances (1 – 4) are expected even though the initial damage by the disaster is slight
- 6) When there occurred an earthquake, and when one of the recorded local seismic intensity within the prefecture is more than or equal to 4
- 7) When it is deemed necessary to report the damage taking account of the social impact of the disaster; examples are as follows:

### Storm or flood disaster

- ✓ When there occurred injury or house collapse caused by such hazards as slope failures, landslides or debris flows
- ✓ When there occurred injury or house collapse caused by such hazards as overflows, dike breaks or storm surges

### Heavy-snow disaster

- ✓ When there occurred injury or house collapse caused by such hazards as avalanches
- ✓ When there occurred isolation of a village caused by such hazards as road freezing or avalanches

### Volcanic disaster

- ✓ When the prefecture or municipality made restricted areas for climbing or enforced traffic control, based on a Volcanic Warning (more than or equal to level 3)
- ✓ When there occurred injury or house collapse by volcanic eruption, or when it is likely that there occurs injury or house collapse by volcanic eruption

### Tsunami disaster

- ✓ When there occurred injury or house collapse caused by a tsunami

### Miscellaneous disasters

- ✓ When its fire department is swamped with reports when a disaster occurred by

such hazards as earthquake, even if the department has not grasped the concrete damage