Needs Assessment of Bam Stricken - People During the First 30 Months of Earthquake

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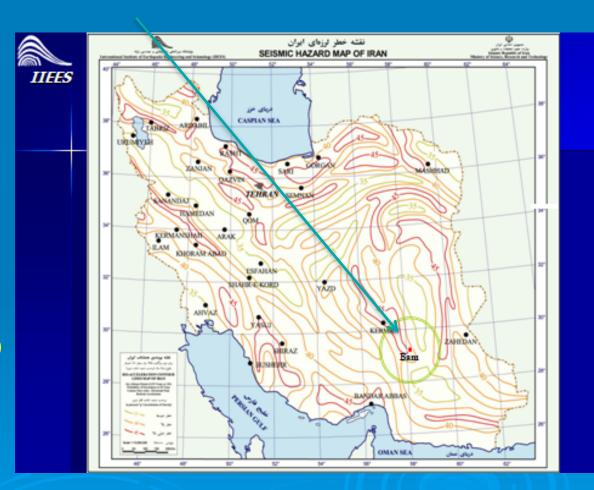
Bam Earthquake: Dec 5 - 2004

Time: 5:28 morning

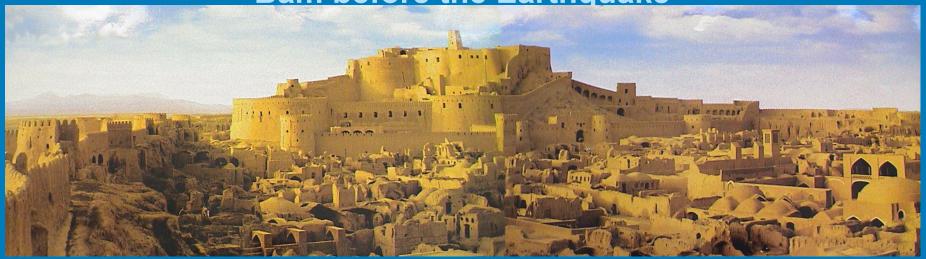
Magnitude: 6.4

Number of Death: 31.830

Number of Injured: 17.500

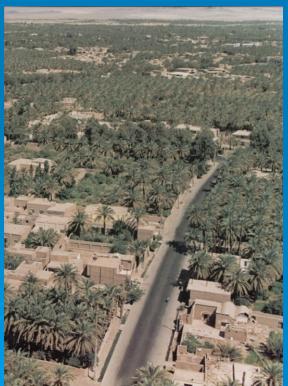


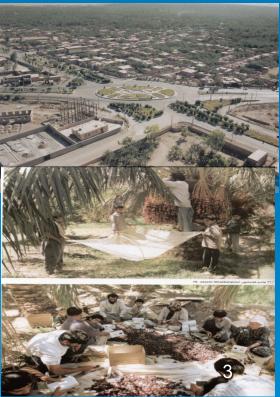
Bam before the Earthquake









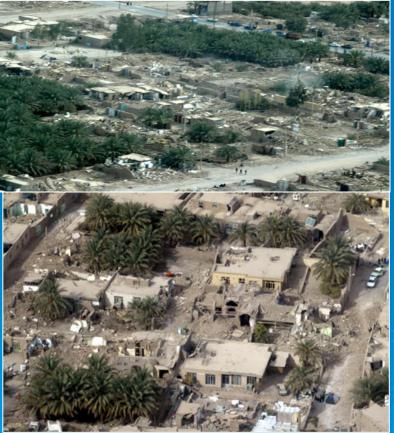


✓ Newsletter "Citizens and Participation" have been published (by one of the professors at Kerman university, and supported by World Health Organization (WHO), six months after the earthquake.

✓ Content analysis of 52 editions of newsletter, which were published 6 months after earthquake, for 2 years from July 13, 2004 to July 12, 2006.

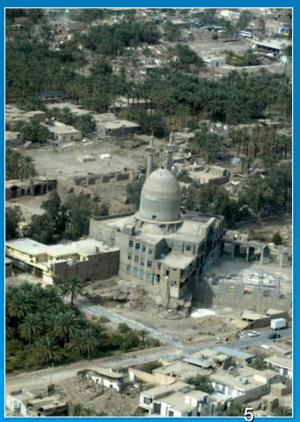
✓ Contents of all 52 editions of newsletter have been divided First 54 in variables (Issues), after merging similar ones 47 variables are analyzed.

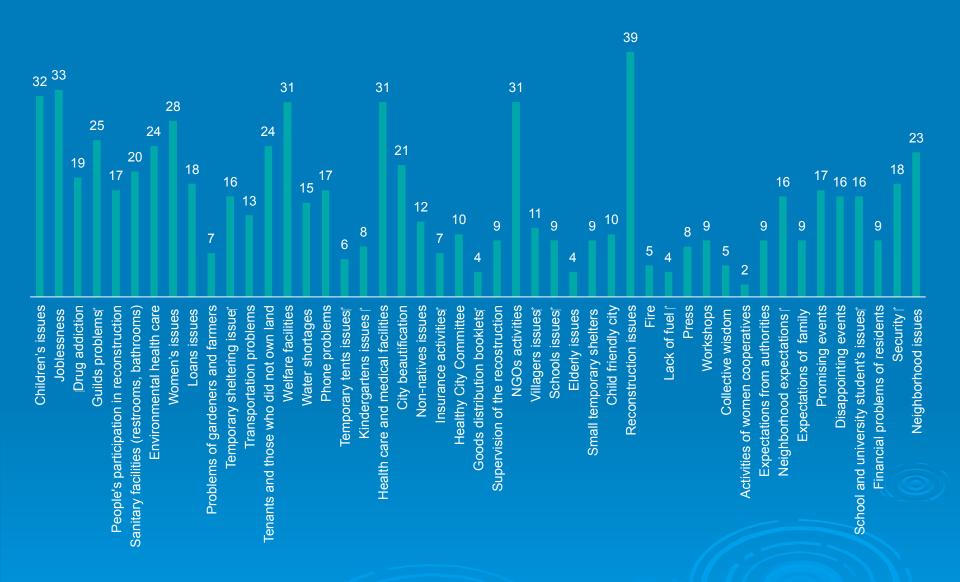












Variables and Issues in the newsletter

✓ Children's issues:

Lack of parks and play grounds Orphan children Labor children Children's future

✓ Joblessness:

University graduates Employment of non-locals

- **✓** Drug addiction
- ✓ Guilds' problems
- ✓ People's participation in reconstruction
- **✓** Sanitary facilities (restrooms, bathrooms)
- ✓ Environmental health care:

Garbage
Disinfection
Sewage system
Dust

✓ Women's issues:

Women as caretakers of families Responsibilities of labor women

✓ Loans issues

















Variables and Issues in the newsletter

- **✓** Problems of gardeners and farmers
- **✓** Temporary sheltering issue
- **✓** Transportation problems
- ✓ Tenants and those who did not own land
- **✓** Welfare facilities
- **✓** Water shortages
- **✓ Phone problems**
- **✓** Temporary tents issues
- **✓** Kindergartens issues
- ✓ Health care and medical facilities:

 Active health care and medical centers

 Problems of people with spinal disorders
- **✓** City beautification
- ✓ Non-natives
- **✓** Insurance activities
- **✓** Healthy City Committee
- **✓** Goods distribution booklets
- **✓** Supervision of the reconstruction
- ✓ NGOs activities
- ✓ Villager's issues
- ✓ Schools' issues

















- **✓** Elderly issues
- **✓** Small temporary shelters
- **✓** Child friendly city
- **✓** Reconstruction issue
- ✓ Fire
- ✓ Lack of fuel
- ✓ Press
- **✓** Workshops
- **✓** Collective wisdom
- **✓** Activities of women cooperatives
- **✓** Expectations from authorities
- ✓ Neighborhood expectations
- **✓** Expectations of family member from each other
- **✓** Promising events
- **✓** Disappointing events
- ✓ School and university student's issues
- **✓** Financial problems of residents
- ✓ Security issues
- ✓ Neighborhood issues

















Reconstruction













Reconstruction of Governmental Offices







Remarks

- ✓ Mass media have significant role to exchange information between people and decision makers.
- ✓ Earthquake occurrence can be a golden opportunity for media to present their role for dissemination of information among affected people based on news speed, accuracy, and precision news.
- ✓ The overall assessment shows in addition to daily needs of affected people, psychological and social aspects of this group of society should be considered as a priority after the earthquake.
- ✓ It seems understanding needs of earthquake-stricken people can lead decision makers on disaster management to arrange better planning to reduce negative impact of social effects after earthquake.