

## Study on VAN Method from Sociologic Viewpoint

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As successful cases of earthquake prediction, the Haicheng earthquake (1975, China), the Pirgos earthquake(1993, Greece) are known. Though the methodologies for the prediction were diferent from each other, the prediction saved human lives as well as properties. This is because the response and reaction to the prediction was appropriate among the administrative agencies, residence, and in case of Greece, mass media. This paper investigates how the information was transmitted and how three parties, government, press and general public reacted to the prediction.