

Earthquake countermeasures in Japan and earthquake prediction

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For proper procedure of disaster mitigation it is indispensable to understand the target disaster as precisely as possible. From the viewpoint of earthquake countermeasures long-term and short-term earthquake prediction has not yet attained to the level of practical use. Based squarely on the actual reliability of earthquake forecasting information I will talk about the present situation of utilizing it in governmental earthquake countermeasures, administrative responsibility included in it, and our expectation of its future development.