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## Interview and questionnaire surveys of The Headquarters for Earthquake Research Promotion's outcomes

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The Headquarters for Earthquake Research Promotion (HERP) promotes the research of earthquakes with accurate understanding of the needs for disaster prevention of citizens and local governments.

HERP has been making efforts to explain the purpose of earthquake research comprehensively, to spread the correct understanding of earthquakes and to announce the outcomes identified by HERP to society.

The progress of earthquake research in Japan has been remarkable in recent years. In tandem with the increase in the knowledge of earthquakes, the needs of society have also changed.

In order to comprehend the trend of said needs, HERP organized an interview survey for officers of local governments and specialists in engineering and fields of social sciences (architecture, nuclear power plant, bridgework, city planning), and made a questionnaire survey for citizens.

Through the analysis of these surveys, success cases and problems of utilizing the outcomes identified by HERP were revealed.

The aim of this presentation is to present these results and the solutions of the problems.

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