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## NHK WORLD-JAPAN Enhances App Service

### Earthquake and tsunami alerts expand to 11 languages, introducing meteorological emergency warning notifications

The number of international visitors and foreign residents in Japan are steadily growing, both experiencing breaking numbers in 2024. NHK's international broadcast service, NHK WORLD-JAPAN can be viewed through the website and mobile app. NHK WORLD-JAPAN's mobile app has been providing emergency information regarding disasters in Japan such as earthquakes and tsunamis via push notifications in four languages in five writing systems: English, simplified and traditional Chinese, Portuguese and Vietnamese.

As of today, the feature has expanded to a total of 11 languages including seven more languages: French, Hindi, Indonesian, Korean, Russian, Spanish and Thai.

The app now also offers push notifications on meteorological emergency warnings such as torrential rains and storms in the 11 languages in 12 writing systems. Emergency warnings are issued when the risk of a major disaster is considered to have significantly heightened. Once the Japan Meteorological Agency issues an emergency warning, the NHK WORLD-JAPAN app is promptly alerted and notifies the user.

In order to use this service, download the app and select the language of your choice. Select your preference of notification for "Earthquake" at the bottom of the page, and make sure that the items "Tsunami" and "Japan Weather Emergency Warning" are on to receive push notifications in the case of emergencies or disasters.

By promptly providing information regarding emergencies in various languages, we strive to help preserve the safety of foreign tourists and residents of such a disaster-prone nation.

Scan the QR code to learn more about the NHK WORLD-JAPAN app:



An example of the NHK WORLD-JAPAN app's push notification (torrential rain alert in Thai):

