

TOWN OF PASNI UNDER WATER

Tidal Wave Damage

KARACHI, November 30: Accounts of loss of life and damage to property continue to be received here from the areas affected by the tidal wave on November 28.

According to one version, the town of Pasni is a vast sheet of water, only housetops being visible. The population of Pasni is estimated at about 1,000, but the place is an important port on the Mekran coast. The custom house is reported to have been damaged. Special staff has been already despatched by the Government to that area to repair the loss to property and render aid to the victims. Cable communication is expected to be restored shortly.

The Jam (ruler) of Las Belas State has arrived in Karachi and is in consultation with the port and other authorities. He said that his State had not experienced such severe earthquake shocks for many years. The people became panicky, he added, but there was no loss of life. He has rushed aid parties in launches.

Reports from all over the province show that the whole of Sind experienced earthquake shocks at 3-30 a.m. on November 28.

The Karachi Municipal Corporation, which adjourned its meeting today as a mark of respect to the memory of those who had lost their lives as a result of the tidal wave on November 28, has decided to start a relief fund to assist the victims in the Karachi District.

Mr. Pir Mahomed, chairman of the Fishermens' Association, informed the House that according to one estimate, nearly 200 villagers had lost their lives near Keti bunder at Behram Hydari. About 80 bodies were buried yesterday.

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Two fishing villages, Daura and Patni, beyond Ibrahim Hydri, in the Karachi District, were wiped out in the recent earthquake one hundred bodies of fishermen were recovered, says a "United Press" message.

Tidal Wave Victims

A verdict of accidental death due to drowning was recorded by the Bombay Coroner's jury on Friday at the inquest held on the bodies of Rahim-tulla Mistry, his wife, Hamidabai, and his children, Yakub, Inus and Ilias, his servant, Karimbux, and two others, Khalil and Amir, all victims of the tidal wave tragedy near the Haji Ali Darga at Mahalaxmi, on Wednesday.

A similar verdict was returned on an unidentified body of a Parsi woman, whose body was also found at Mahalaxmi.