

"Devastating Network In Miura Peninsula Japan"

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ABSTRACT

This paper presents about the report of devastating network in Miura peninsula near Tokyo. 1995, January. 17, early in the morning, Kobe Earthquake damaged many people in Japan. At this earthquake, informations were very poor. Since then various cities had committees to modify these situations. Yokosuka City and NTT (Nipon Telephone and Telegram) (Chairman was myself) started the committee in the same year of March 1. They were using the ordinary multimedia because of difficulties of using extra methods (like the battery not working) when devastating earthquake comes. By 2 years, we could finish basic ideas and the now were realizing.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1995 January 17 early in the morning, we had Kobe-Awaji devastating earthquake, and Japanese people had the big damages. The cities of Japanese at that time, should consider the informat

ion systems, important to inform the damages of, for instance, people in the damaged areas from the cities or firefighting offices of the cities. Fortunately, Yokosuka City was quite eager for information systems of natural disaster. Especially the reservation of drinking water, they must carry it from Sagami River, far from Yokosuka, so they form the tanks of water before Kobe Earthquake.

2 DEVASTATING NETWORK

Devastating network was useful, of course, at natural disaster events, but even ordinarily times using multimedia information and correspondent networks, and information between related organizations are very important. These are the basic ideas of "devastating network". Safeties of the people in the districts and better services of administrations will be also important. The above network systems are used for ordinary time, for the information ser

vices, education information's common use and for information between administration offices. At devastating time, to change application software, using the same tools of ordinary time, information of damages degrees, of accumulation, of good timing about the loss of the people, the common knowledge about the devastating information for each information offices are necessary. Uses of devastating network, on ordinary times, were not only the effective uses of devastating network in ordinary times but devastating network systems must be used ordinary daily because use on devastating times, the ordinary people, sometimes, could not use special devastating network or devastating network was broken and the people could not realize it until they start to use or the batteries of devastating network were run out.

The reason of multimedia for devastating network were the following; combinations of various information of pictures, of places, of voices and letters to understand easily the damaged degrees by coming devastation will be especially necessary at devastating times.

3 MIURA PENINSULA City (Yokosuka City) MADE A COMMITTEE FOR DEVASTATING NETWORK

Not only peninsula's closed situations but also this peninsula area are called "Tanito" (valley and door), mixed with valleys and hills, and when devastating earthquake comes, in the above

areas are quite difficult to inform their damages to their area or near areas. Actually, some places of firefighting radios and portable telephones could not communicate each other (PHS: portable telephones became better communications recently). Yokosuka City was eager about devastating network since long time ago, and drinking water were stored in the water tanks, for instance under the parks because drinking water were brought from Sagami River by the steel pipes as already written before. Beside the above, they are promoted to prepare machine materials, food and medicines. However the method of information, between firefighting offices or cities devastating network radios and general telephones could only use. Correspondent method between self defense armies, police and medical offices are known to be only by telephones. These the above reasons became to start the committee of devastating network. Beside the above items, NTT's roles could not be missed. In Yokosuka City, NTT may have research office soon, and so many people of NTT live in Miura peninsula area. So NTT plans the similar devastating network with Yokosuka City.

And this was the one of the reasons why Yokosuka City made the committee of devastating network.

4 CONSIDERATION AND PROCESS

Almost all cities of Miura peninsula have similar conditions, so other than Yokosuka City, 3 cities, 1 town, NTT and Kanagawa prefecture office joined together for this committee. And self defense army offices, marine security offices, police, medical offices and lifeline business groups (all together 33 offices) joined together. 2 years long, committee started from March 1 the same year of Kobe-Awaji devastating earthquake. In year of 1995, 11 times of meetings (considerations: 3 times organizer meetings: 4 times top committee: 4 times) and 45 times of person's hearings were held to find out the real problems. And basic concepts were determined.

Through these meetings, each related offices discussed and considered the real necessary information, styles of these information and what the real useful information will be. Finally, October 26 of the same year, 『ARCS』 (Aid For District Devastating Network) were made as the result for the local devastating network.

The second year of devastating network committee, depending upon basic concepts, realized devastating network, discussed the specifications of devastating network. 11 times of meetings and all together 41 times of hearings were done. The specifications of necessary

functions and practical uses of this function were settled, and concluded the 2 years project. By this devastating network project, the trust between each others of the related offices were much more increased. After this committee of devastating network, at Miura peninsula area, many offices got together to do the training of devastating network. In that sense, the new connections of each others will be made.

The second years of this project, 1996 April, 4 cities and 1 town, collected together the policies of the common purpose and once again get together to fix the satellite telephones, that were established in prefecture's office and police offices so that at anytimes they can contact with each other. Upon the above ideas, communications network by the real multimedia will be prepared. The later of the second years, depending upon the final results, started the real devastating network.

The research people of NTT's developed application software and Miura peninsula area became the fields and by many people of the related joined together for the experiences of application software

s. Points of this development were the use of the standard communication system, at the same time, to many addresses, the communication traffic were flown about and treated them with composure. Hardware to load the software were made by Yokosuka City with some assistance from the administration of trades and industries. Using LAN and servers of Yokosuka City and of their education study offices, the communication circuits and for the edge PC will be maintained after 1997.

At August 31 1997, using the studied facilities, the exercise was performed by Yokosuka City. The information of devastating network was to the main measure office and we stayed there to estimate the results. The main measure office necessarily changed some system and brought the new portable terminations with staffs of firefighting, to exercise to send multimedia information to that main measure office through pictures, GPS data, voices and letters.

5 FUTURE

The brushup of examined systems and prepare the real system will be necessary to improve these systems. Through these improvement, finally the wonderful systems will be made.

The practical use of the regulations will be sometimes quite difficult, so the through experiment system, hearings will be expected and the practical rules and systems will be obtained through the forms of [rules].

The costs of correspondent maintenances were not cheap, so ordinal correspondent information systems were used. We would like to use the exclusive correspondent safe systems in the future.

MAIN OFFICE OF YOKOSUKA CITY

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(AT ORDINARY: CENTER OF ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION)



