

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines | La Soufrière volcano activity – EU response update



IMPACT OVERVIEW

Source: CDEMA

- 13,303** Registered displaced people*
- 85** Shelters

*4,430 sheltered in public evacuation centres

STARTING ERUPTION

9 APR AT 12.40 UTC

As of 27 April the seismic and volcanic activity is low. Lahars triggered by occasional showers have been registered in the Red and Orange zones from 5 a.m. to 6 a.m. UTC. The alert level of the volcano stands at RED.

Source: NEMO

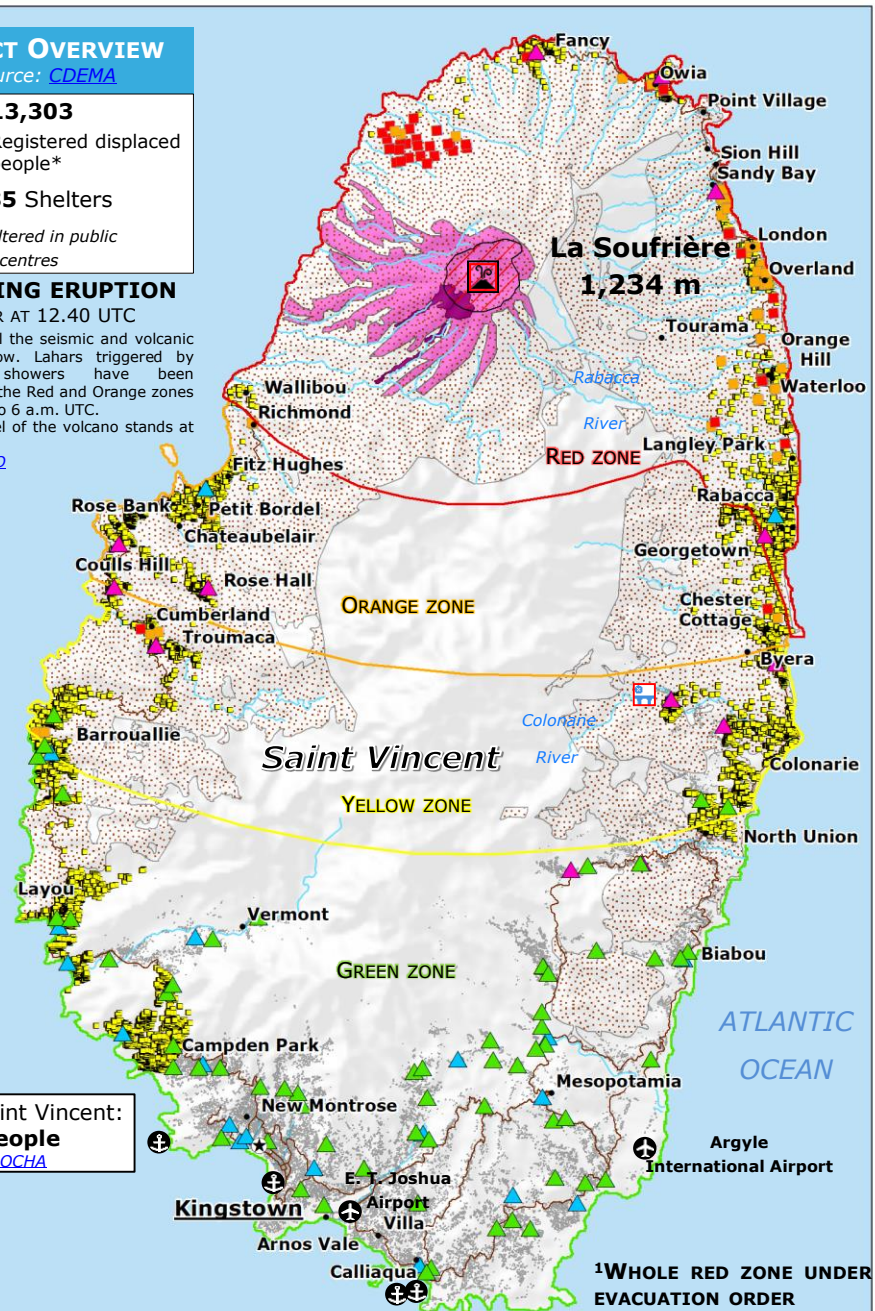
La Soufrière volcano

- ### OBSERVED EVENT on 10 -20 April
- Caldera as of 15/04/2021
Source: Copernicus EMSR509
 - Ash fall
Source: Copernicus EMSR509
 - Pyroclastic flow
Source: UNITAR-UNOSAT
 - Pyroclastic flow and surge
Source: UNITAR-UNOSAT, USGS

- ### GRADING PRODUCT AS OF 23 APRIL
- Source: Copernicus EMSR509
- Possibly damaged building
 - Damaged building
 - Destroyed building
 - Destroyed bridge

- ### INTEGRATED VOLCANIC HAZARD ZONES
- Source: NEMO
- Red zone¹: Very high
 - Orange zone: High
 - Yellow zone: Moderate
 - Green zone: Low
 - Open shelter Source: NEMO
 - Operational health site
 - Evacuated health site Source: Map Action
 - Roads
 - Built-up Source: QSM
 - Airport
 - Port

Population in Saint Vincent:
96,000 people
Source: UN.OCHA



EU RESPONSE

- On 12 April, ERCC received a request for assistance from the Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
- Between 12 and 17 April, France offered in kind assistance including personal protective equipment (masks, gowns, protective suits and more), hygiene items, cleaning kits, shelter items, antigen tests and drinking water.
- On 14 April, ERCC received a request for specific technical expertise from the UNEP/UNOCHA Joint Environment Unit (JEU). Two technical experts (DE, ES) arrived in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines on 23 April to join the UNEP/OCHA JEU mission.
- On 21 April, the ERCC received a request for specific technical expertise from the UNEP/OCHA Joint Environment Unit (JEU), to join a team of international experts to Barbados giving technical advice in handling the local impact after the volcanic eruption of la Soufriere volcano. One technical expert (NL) arrived in Barbados on 27 April to join the UNEP/OCHA JEU mission.
- The European Union has mobilized **EUR 740,000** in emergency humanitarian aid to support the affected population across Saint Vincent Island.
- The European Commission's Copernicus Emergency Management Service was activated on 9 April in rapid mapping mode (EMSR509) to support the damage assessment and **6 maps** have been produced so far.

