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Slow-onset disaster

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A type of disasters that emerges at a slower pace than other types of disasters, such as the sudden-onset disasters, which provides more space and time for preparedness and mitigation efforts to take place and subsequently improves chances of recovery and survival. It is usually associated with recognizable signals that help alerting the potential affected parties and work as early warning indicators. Should this type of incidents occur, a state of readiness has therefore been established in advance.