

MEDIA RELEASE

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INCREASED SEISMIC ACTIVITY AT KICK 'EM JENNY SUBMARINE VOLCANO

The Office of Disaster Preparedness and Management (ODPM) wishes to inform the public that it is in contact with the University of the West Indies Seismic Research Centre (UWI SRC) and Grenada's National Disaster Management Agency (NaDMA), **regarding increased seismic activity** associated with the **Kick 'em Jenny (KeJ)** submarine volcano. The volcano lies to Trinidad and Tobago's North between Grenada and St Vincent and the Grenadines.

Notwithstanding the increased activity, there is **NO THREAT** to Trinidad and Tobago at this time.

The unrest event began at 10:00 p.m. (local time) on the evening of Wednesday 27th August, 2025, and up to 8:00 a.m. on August 28th 2025, approximately 800 tremors were detected. The largest events measured so far are in the range of Magnitude 2.2–2.4. By comparison, over 3,400 events were recorded during the volcano's last period of unrest, which occurred from the 10th-14th February, 2024. The maximum magnitude then was 3.3 and no T-phases (explosion signals) were observed.

While activity is continuing, KeJ's intensity has decreased compared to when the unrest commenced. Up to this time, there are no reports of tremors being felt in either Grenada or St. Vincent and the Grenadines. As such, UWI SRC has recommended that the alert level remains at **YELLOW**. **This level means that all marine interests should maintain the 1.5 km exclusion zone.**

The ODPM will continue to work with the UWI SRC and neighbouring National Disaster Management Offices to monitor the situation and provide updates as information becomes available. Once again, this office reiterates that at this time, the increased seismic activity at the Kick 'em Jenny submarine volcano **poses NO THREAT to Trinidad and Tobago.**

The ODPM urges the public to stay connected to official communication channels and to avoid spreading unverified information.

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