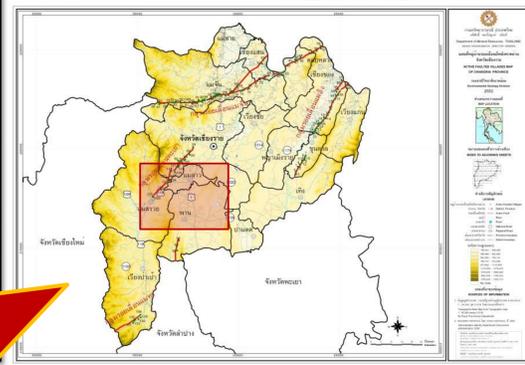
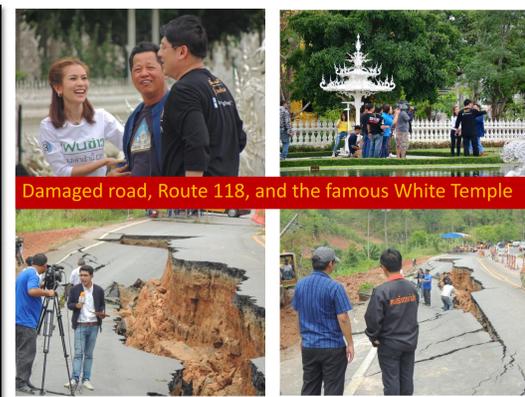


# DISASTER MANAGEMENT IN CHIANG RAI, THAILAND

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**A 6.3-Richter earthquake hit  
Chiang Rai at 18:08:43 (local  
time) on May 5, 2014**



## Problems with disaster management

- Common construction practices were not in line with the building code and safety standards
- Insufficient preparation for disaster, esp. earthquake
- Uncoordinated reliefs and responses
- People relied on social media and word of mouth for information



## Suggestions

- Prepare local disaster plan with stakeholders
- Strictly enforce the Building Control Act with new buildings
- Devise techniques to modify existing buildings
- Capacity building with local constructors
- Focus on co-benefits of new building standards