Japan mega-quake shifts Earth's axis and threatens Chernobyl-type Catastrophe

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After yesterday's catastrophic earthquake, Japan continues to experience tremors (aftershocks) of 5-6.8 magnitude. The consequences of the quake could be very serious for the entire world.

NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory's (JPL) specialist Richard Gross has stated that following the earthquake the Earth's figure axis (the axis around which the Earth is balanced by mass) has shifted by about 15 centimeters - 2 times greater than after the Chilean earthquake of 2010.

"According to my calculations, the length of the day should be reduced by 1.6 microseconds (millionths of a second). The earthquake in Chile gave, in my opinion, a reduction of approximately 1.2 microseconds," he said.

According to Gross, the Earth's axis shifted to the 139th degree east longitude. After the Chilean cataclysm in 2010 the axis shifted to 112th degree east longitude.

Fukushima's reactors are among the largest in the world, the radiation level after the explosion at #1 reactor is 1000 times higher than the permissible level. Authorities began evacuating the population after the release of radioactive material. Radioactive steam will be released into the atmosphere in order to maintain safe pressure levels in the reactor.

According to authorities, the death toll has already exceeded 1000 and emergency services are battling 206 major earthquake-caused fires. At this stage authorities are unable to estimate the damage caused by the mega-quake; all efforts are being made to contain the nuclear reactors and stabilise the situation.

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