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# Slow-onset disaster

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