

The MUST website was created one day after the Tsunami disaster in 2004.
A natural disaster such as a Tsunami can cause infectious diseases in the affected area, which causes high mortality.

Messages were sent to every mobile phone in the disaster area containing information about the use of safe drinking water and prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diarrhoea and dehydration.

The MUST website is developing and in the future the MUST messages will be used in disaster areas worldwide.

M.U.S.T. - SMS

MUST 1: prevent diarrhoea/dehydration

Prevent diarrhoea/dehydration: drink CLEAN fluid and be hygienic

MUST 2: remove particles

Remove solid particles; use cloth or coffee filter

MUST 3: treat unsafe water

1 ltr unsafe water: 4-7 drops common chloride or iodide. 30 min=1ltr potable

MUST 4: short cooking = sufficient

Bring water to a boil, makes it potable. No need > 1 min

For more detailed explanation of each M.U.S.T.-SMS see the "Unsafe water management" protocol on this website.