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Dear all,

Due to massive earthquakes which hit the northeast Japan in the afternoon of 11th March, some ports and tourism facilities in Hokkaido were flooded by tsunami tidal waves which struck the area along the coast of the Pacific Ocean. All the tsunami alerts and warnings by the Meteorological Agency had been cancelled by now and damaged facilities are under repair.

Flight and railway services as well as expressways and national highways resume normal services except for limited routes, consequently there is hardly any difficulty to travel or stay in Hokkaido.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to all the countries and people that have offered kind support to Japan.

Hokkaido Tourism Organization

Conditions in Hokkaido, Japan

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