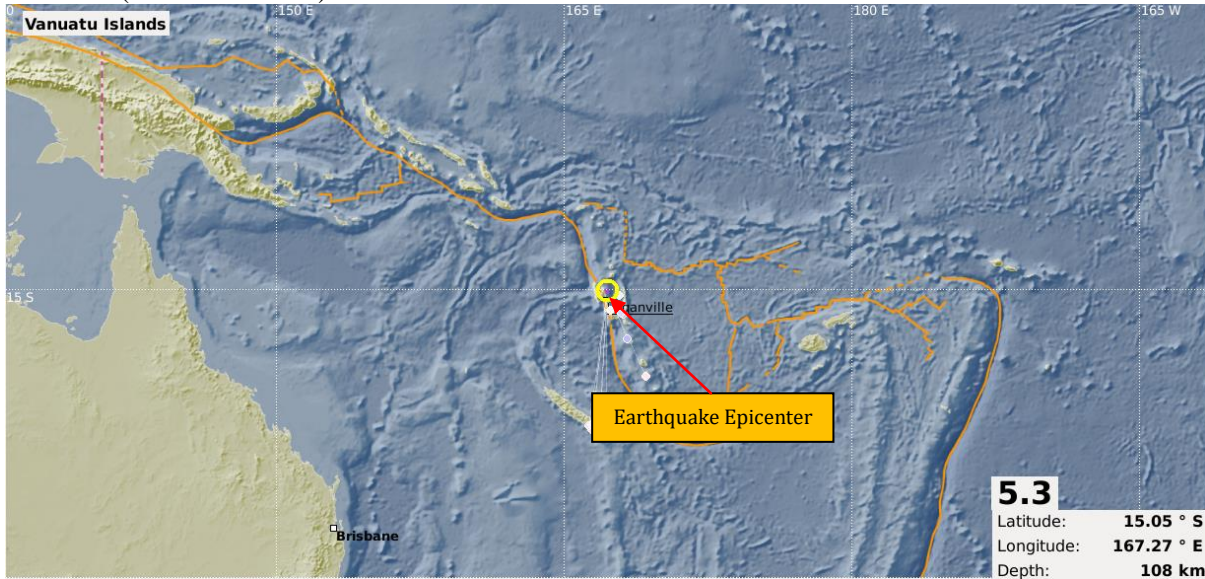




**EARTHQUAKE INFORMATION RELEASE NO. 385/17**

An earthquake occurred this morning at 08:25:45 AM local time, 156 km NE from Luganville, Vanuatu. (MRD/ORSNET)



**i) Tabulated Results**

Description	Localization
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date:29/08/17</li> <li>• Time: 08:25:45 AM</li> <li>• Magnitude: 5.3 ML</li> <li>• Depth: 108 km</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vanuatu Region</b></li> <li>• Latitude: 15.05° S</li> <li>• Longitude: 167.27°E</li> <li>• <b>Offshore Earthquake</b></li> </ul>
References	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 156 km NE from Luganville, Vanuatu.</li> <li>• 323 km NNW from Port Vila, Vanuatu.</li> <li>• 1,242 km NW from Suva, Fiji.</li> </ul>	

**Evaluation**

A **moderate** size earthquake with **deep depth** source location occurred in the Vanuatu Island region. However, it does not pose any immediate threat to the Fiji region.

This serves as notification only and will keep monitoring for any further updates.

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