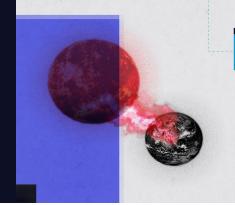


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### Summary

The impact of the CME continues into a third day, with significant and sustained impacts being felt globally. Notable impacts include:

- Healthcare crisis: Hospitals worldwide are overwhelmed, facing shortages of critical supplies and a surge in patients with storm-related injuries, chronic illnesses, and infectious diseases.
- Sanitation crisis: Power outages have significantly impacted water treatment plants and sewage systems, leading to widespread contamination and outbreaks of waterborne diseases.
- **Social unrest:** Food and water shortages, coupled with the lack of communication and basic services, are fueling social unrest and violence in many regions.
- Mass casualty event: A major chemical plant explosion caused by a power surge has resulted in a mass casualty event, further straining the already overwhelmed emergency response systems.

## **GCRT** actions:

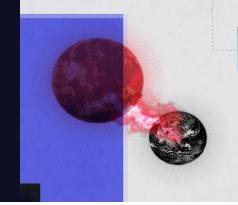
 The GCRT is working with international organizations and local governments to address the escalating healthcare crisis, including delivering emergency medical supplies and deploying mobile medical units.

## **Additional Reading**

- 1. Leading through crisis: a framework for making decisions in extreme circumstances
- 2. Unravelling the Global Supply Web: The Solar Storm's Lasting Impact on Trade and Industry
- 3. From Crisis to Catastrophe: The Long-Term Health Impacts of the Solar Storm's Sanitation Breakdown



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- Efforts are underway to restore power to water treatment plants and provide clean water to affected populations through mobile purification units and bottled water distribution.
- The GCRT is advising governments on how to respond to social unrest, exploring options ranging from deploying peacekeeping forces to addressing the root causes of the unrest.
- Emergency response teams are being dispatched to the site of the chemical plant explosion to provide medical care, contain the hazardous materials spill, and assist with search and rescue efforts.

### **Challenges and concerns:**

- The healthcare crisis is escalating rapidly, with the risk of widespread disease outbreaks and a significant increase in mortality rates.
- The lack of clean water and sanitation is exacerbating the health crisis and contributing to social unrest.
- Social unrest and violence are hindering the delivery of humanitarian aid and putting vulnerable populations at risk.
- The global economy continues to deteriorate, with long-term consequences for recovery and stability.

#### **Next steps:**

- The GCRT will continue to prioritize delivering emergency medical aid, restoring water and sanitation systems, and mitigating social unrest.
- Efforts will be made to assess the long-term economic impact of the crisis and develop strategies for recovery.
- The GCRT will continue to advocate for international cooperation and resource sharing to address the global challenges posed by the solar storm.