Tsunami Impact on Sri Lanka

DigitalGlobe’s QuickBird Imagery
26 December, 2004
This QuickBird image of the southwestern coast of Sri Lanka--just south of the city of Colombo in a resort area called Kalutara--was collected shortly after the moment of tsunami impact. --10:20 local time; slightly less than four hours after the earthquake.

Coastline flooding was observed
-- High water evident at least a kilometer inland
--Churning ocean noted from the receding water
Flooding Kalutara, Sri Lanka

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Receding Waters
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Before

After

Tangerine Beach Hotel

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343 meters