

## Life-Saving Guidelines

# Earthquake

### When the quake begins:

- If you can leave the building within a few seconds go outside immediately. If you can't leave fast enough:
  - Enter the fortified (secure) room or a stairwell.
  - Go to an inner corner of the room or take cover under heavy furniture.
- Avoid outer walls and keep away from windows, shelves or closets.
- Get down on your knees or sit on the ground and protect your head with your hands.
- Use a cloth or a surgical mask to cover your mouth.

## Usually after the 1<sup>st</sup> quake, there are some afterquakes that are just as dangerous.

- Leave the building immediately
- Stay clear of buildings, trees, bridges and electrical lines.
- Take the emergency bag you prepared in advance with you.
- Listen to media, stay updated and get relevant guidelines.
- Do not overload cellular communication.
- Try to put out any small fire before it spreads.

#### **Important**

- Do not use the elevator.
- When you exit the room, it is important to shut down gas and electricity supply lines.
- If you are using a wheelchair lock it.
- You may go back to the building only after a clearance from the security department.