

**Japanese 8th Army
Upon Activation
26 November 1942**

Assigned from 17th Army:

- 51st Division
- 2 infantry battalions & 1 mountain artillery battalion
- 8th Tank Regiment
- 1 btry, 10th Independent Mountain Artillery Regiment
- 7th Medium Artillery Regiment (-1 btry)
- 3rd Independent Heavy Artillery Battalion (150mm cannons)
- 45th Field Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion (1 btry)
- 25th Field Machine Cannon Company
- 28th Field Machine Cannon Company
- 4th Engineer Command
- 8th Independent Engineer Regiment
- Det/17th Army Signal Unit, in Rabaul
- 14th Signal Regiment (2 radio platoons)
- 15th Signal Regiment (1 wire company)
- 8th Independent Wire Company (1 platoon)
- 21st Mortar Battalion
- 54th Independent Transport Company
- 55th Independent Transport Company
- 31st Field Road Construction Unit
- 67th Line of Communications Hospital (- 1 element)
- 76th Line of Communications Hospital (- 1 element)
- 94th Line of Communications Hospital
- 10th Casualty Clearing Unit Headquarters
- 53rd Casualty Clearing Platoon
- 54th Casualty Clearing Platoon
- Temporarily attached units to 17th Army
- 1st Shipping Command
- 24th Signal Regiment (1 co)
- 214th Field War Supply & Purification Unit (B) (1 element)
- one element of various supply depots

Assigned from 18th Army:

- Temporarily attached to 18th Army
- 24th Independent Mixed Brigade (- 1 infantry bn, artillery unit, tank unit, anti-aircraft unit, & motor transport unit)
- 38th Division (1 bn less 1 co)
- 10th Independent Mountain Artillery Regiment (- 1 btry)
- 88th Independent Wire Company (1 plat)
- Temporary Units from 17th Army
- 76th Line of Communications Hospital (1 element)
- 24th Field Water Supply & Purification Unit (B) (1 element)

Units under Direct Command of Area Army:

- 51st Division
- 2nd Bn, 229th Infantry Regiment
- 65th Brigade (- elements)
- 8th Tank Regiment
- 7th Tank Regiment (- 1 co)
- 3rd Independent Heavy Artillery Battalion (150mm cannon)

41st Field Anti-aircraft Artillery Battalion
25th Field Automatic Cannon Company
28th Field Automatic Cannon Company
4th Engineer Command
8th Independent Engineer Regiment
Det/7th Army Signal Unit in Rabaul
15th Signal Regiment (1 wire company)
14th Signal Regiment (2 radio platoons)
37th Fixed Radio Unit
42nd Fixed Radio Unit
21st Mortar Battalion

Air Units

76th Independent Air Squadron
12th Air Brigade
12th Air Sector Command
48th Airfield Battalion (1 element) (for Hq reconnaissance planes)
21st Airfield Battalion (for fighters)
22nd Airfield Battalion (for fighters)
33rd Airfield Battalion (for fighters)
10th Field Airfield Construction Unit
9th Land Transport Unit, 8th Division
61st Construction Duty Company (1 element)
81st Land Duty Company

Line of Communications Units:

38th Independent Motor Transport Battalion
2nd Independent Transport Regiment
54th Independent Transport Company
55th Independent Transport Company
31st Field Road Construction Unit
7th Transport Unit of Imperial General Guard Division
35th Sea Duty Company
55th Construction Duty Company
61st Construction Duty Company
67th Line of Communication Hospital (-1 element)
67th Line of Communication Hospital (-1 element)
10th Casualty Clearing Unit Headquarters
53rd Casualty Clearing Platoon
54th Casualty Clearing Platoon
63rd Casualty Clearing Platoon
64th Casualty Clearing Platoon
24th Field Water Supply & Purification Unit (B) (- 1 element)
164th Line of Communications Veterinary Hospital
22nd Field Ordnance Depot (1 element)
22nd Field Motor Transport Depot (1 element)
22nd Field Freight Depot (1 element)

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