NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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NDRRMC UPDATE

Update on Tropical Storm (TD) "FALCON"

Releasing Officer

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Sources: PAGASA-DOST, RDRRMC/OCDRCs II, IV-B, V and NCR

I. SITUATION OVERVIEW

A. Background

- The Low Pressure Area (LPA) East of Visayas developed into a Tropical Depression (TD) and was named "FALCON" on 21 June 2011, 11:00AM
- At 5:00 AM today, the center of Tropical Storm "FALCON" was estimated based on satellite and surface data at 250 km Northeast of Virac, Catanduanes (15.1°N, 126.3°E) with maximum sustained winds of 65 kph near the center and gustiness of up to 80 kph. It is forecasted to move to Northwest at 19 kph. It is expected to be at 150 km East Northeast of Tuguegarao City by tomorrow morning and at 170 km North Northwest of Basco, Batanes by Saturday morning. By Sunday morning, it will be at 600 kms North of Basco, Batanes or at 130 km North of Taiwan.
- Public Storm Warning Signal (PSWS) No. 1 is hoisted over Albay, Catanduanes, Camarines Norte, Camarines Sur, Isabela, Cagayan including Calayan and Babuyan Group of Islands and Batanes Group of Islands
- Residents in low lying and mountainous areas under Signal No. 1 are alerted against possible flashfloods and landslides
- TS "FALCON" is expected to enhance the southwest monsoon and will bring rains over Southern Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao
- Gale Warning is issued over the eastern seaboard of the country and the western seaboard of Luzon and of Visayas

B. Regional Situations

NCR

- Light to moderate rains is be
- Malabon and Valenzuela City are flooded
- Classes at Dampalit Elementary School in Malabon is still suspended due to flooding

Region IV-B

 The provinces of Occidental Mindoro, Marinduque and Romblon are experiencing cloudy weather while Palawan and Oriental Mindoro are cloudy

Region V

- The entire region is experiencing cloudy with rainshowers
- Classes in all level in the province of Albay is suspended

C. Status of Dams (as of 7:00 AM, 23 June 2011)

Particular	Critical /Spill level (m)	Current level (m)
La Mesa Dam, QC	80.15	79.50
Angat Dam	210.0	195.33
Ipo dam	100.8	100.3
Sto. Niño Marikina River	15.0	13.0
Rosario Junction	13.80	12.64
San Juan River	12.0	11.27
Fort Santiago	12.0	11.24
Pandacan	12.0	11.30

II. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

A. NDRRMC - Operations Center

- Disseminated NDRRMC Advisories on Severe Weather Bulletins on Tropical Storm "FALCON"; General Flood Advisories for Region I (Ilocos Region), Region III (Central Luzon), Region IV-A (CALABARZON), Region IV-B (MIMAROPA), Region V (Bicol), Region VIII (Eastern Visayas), Region XI (Davao Region), Region XIII (CARAGA), ARMM and CAR; to all Chairpersons RDRRMC, PDRRMC, and OCD Regional Centers through SMS and facsimile
- Uploaded same at the NDRRMC website, facebook and twitter account for further dissemination to their respective local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Councils (LDRRMCs) from the provincial down to the municipal levels
- Directed RDRRMCs concerned through the OCD Regional Centers to undertake precautionary measures in their respective areas of responsibility (AOR) and subsequently advised local DRRMCs to initiate pre-emptive evacuation of families in low-lying and mountainous areas if situation warrants

DSWD

 Prepositioned P276,707.86 standby funds and P29.51M worth of relief supplies in all DSWD Field Offices along the typhoon path, amounting to P29.78M, detailed as follows:

Field Office	Standby Funds	Relief Supplies	Total
II	PhP 178,517.05	PhP 6,352,176.45	PhP 6,530,693.50
V	98,190.81	23,159,166.39	23,257,957.20
TOTAL	PhP 276,707.86	PhP 29,511,342.84	PhP 29,788.650.70

B. Regional Preparedness

Region 2

 RDRRMC/OCD II is continuously coordinating with the local DRRMCs for situational update and ensure widest dissemination of weather advisories to member agencies, local DRRMCs and local radio/TV stations in the region

- RDRRMC/OCD II alerted local DRRMCs and their respective response teams and advised people living near the mountain slopes and in low-lying areas to take precautionary measures
- PNP, BFP, Philippine Army, Philippine Navy and PCG personnel and various rescue groups are on alert status for possible assistance / evacuation activities
- PDRRMC Cagayan, Isabela, Quirino, Nueva Vizcaya and Batanes are continuously monitoring the situation in their respective AORs.
- PDRRMCs are ready to establish their Advance Command Posts and their equipment, to preposition response units, rubber boats together with trained rescuers are on alert status for any eventualities
- Provincial Hospitals and District Hospitals are ready with manpower and supplies
- Food and non-food items are on standby at the PSWD Office.

Region V

- OCD V is on heightened alert; continuously disseminate TS Falcon bulletins and flood advisories to all RDRRMC Member Agencies, Action Officers, LGUs, and local media to effectively ensure public safety; alerted disaster response units/teams for possible deployment if need arises; and coordination of status of persons, vessels, and vehicles stranded at ports
- PCGDB implemented a no sailing advisory