



NDRRMC UPDATE

Armed Conflict in Talusan, Zamboanga Sibugay Province

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Situation Overview:

- On October 22, 2011, an encounter between Civilian Volunteer Organization (CVO) members and lawless elements (LLEs) occurred in Barangay Samonte, Municipality of Talusan, Zamboanga Sibugay Province (ZSP). The LLEs occupied and destroyed some parts of Samonte Elementary School, took 2 cattles and other properties of the residents in the said area and then moved towards the boundary of Brgy Moalboal, Talusan. Other members of the LLEs moved to Brgy Matim, Municipality of Olutanga, ZSP.
- The LLEs are occupying schools in Brgys. Bolingan and Samonte, both in Talusan as of today, 23 October 2011.
- A total of 104 families were affected and have evacuated to their relatives.

Actions Taken:

- MDRRMC Talusan conducted Damage Assessment and Needs Analysis for affected families who evacuated to Brgy Fama, Olutanga and provided relief goods to the evacuees
- Joint elements of the Regional Public Safety Battalion 9 (RPSB9), Talusan Municipal Police Station (Talusan MPS) and Troops from the 10th IB Philippine Army are now deployed in Olutanga Island to address the situation.
- Military troops were deployed in Brgy Samonte for the safety of the evacuees.
- OCD IX OpCen coordinated with MDRRMC Talusan.