



NDRRMC UPDATE

Effects of the Low Pressure Area (LPA)

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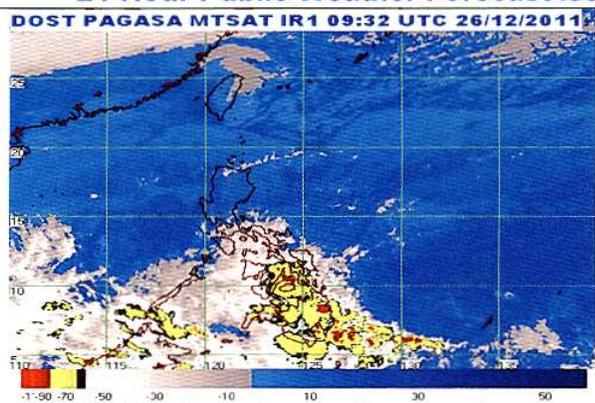
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Sources: PAGASA-DOST, NAIA

SITUATION OVERVIEW:

24-Hour Public Weather Forecast issued at 5:00 PM, 26 December 2011



Satellite Image as of 5:00 PM, today

Forecast:

Eastern Luzon will experience cloudy skies with scattered rainshowers while the rest of Luzon will have mostly cloudy skies with light rains. Visayas and Mindanao will be cloudy with scattered to widespread rainshowers and thunderstorms which may trigger flashfloods and landslides.

Moderate to strong winds blowing from the Northeast will prevail over Luzon and Visayas and the coastal waters along these areas will be moderate to rough. Elsewhere, winds will be moderate to occasionally strong coming from the Northeast with moderate to occasionally rough seas.

Synopsis:

At 2:00 p.m today, the Low Pressure Area was estimated (LPA) based on satellite and surface data at 120 km Southwest of Cotabato City (6.3°N, 123.3°E). Tail-end of a cold front affecting Visayas.

PREPAREDNESS MEASURES

National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council Operations Center (NDRRMC OpCen)

- NDRRMC Emergency OpCen remains activated at “**RED ALERT**” **STATUS** to coordinate all efforts in response to the effects of TS “SENDONG” and to monitor the approaching LPA and continuously provide advisories/warnings/bulletins and related information to all concerned
- Disseminated NDRRMC Weather Advisories on Low Pressure Area (LPA), Gale Warnings, and Flood Bulletins to all regions likely to be affected through SMS and facsimile and uploaded the same at the NDRRMC Website, Facebook, and Twitter accounts 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

PAGASA

- Continuously provides NDRRMC OpCen with updates on Low Pressure Area (LPA), Gale Warnings, and General Flood Bulletins
- Detailed PAGASA Personnel at the NDRRMC OpCen for prompt coordination with their bureau especially with the Weather Forecasting Section, Weather Division

NAIA

- Media Flights Division issued Flight Advisories on 26 December 2011 informing the public that [Flights Nos.: PR 283 Manila/Cagayan; PR 284 Cagayan/Manila; 2P 021 Manila/Masbate and 2P 022 Masbate/Manila](#) were cancelled due to bad weather

REGION II (CAGAYAN VALLEY)

- **Isabela**
 - On 25 December 2011 at about 12:00 Noon, a ferryboat capsized due to strong current with nine (9) passengers at Barangay Bella Luz, San Mateo, Isabela while crossing the Magat River going to Villa Fugu, Alfonso Lista, Ifugao
 - There were four (4) fatalities, namely; Evelyn Alejo who was declared drowned, Jeff Santos who was brought to Banang Bulan but was declared dead on arrival, and Joana Alejo and Jomer Alejo whose bodies were recovered within the vicinity of Barangay Estrella and Old Centro, San Mateo, Isabela

REGION IV-B (MIMAROPA)

- **Oriental Mindoro**
 - Four Barangays (Nagiba 1&2) Andres Ilagan, Buhangin and Pinagsabangan) are being affected by flooding
 - Flood water reach knee deep
 - All roads are still passable to all types of vehicles
- **Palawan**
 - The Coast Guard District of Palawan have reported to have rescued passengers of a motorized Bangka in Cuyo

- Romblon
 - There was an advise from Coast Guard Romblon for the cancellation of trip for small vessels due to strong winds and big waves

ACTIONS TAKEN :

- Coordinated with MPS Naujan, Oriental Mindoro and Public safety Department of Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro re flooding incident
- Coordinated with Coast Guard District Palawan re Maritime incident
- Disseminated SWB and Gale Warning to PDRRMCs, LGUs, Local Radio stations and Line Agencies through SMS and facsimiles

REGION V (BICOL)

- A Storm Surge occurred in the coastal Barangay of Bagatabao, Bagamanoc, Catanduanes on the evening of 25 December 2011
- MDRRMC reported 20 partially damaged houses, 23 affected families/46 persons and 2 hectares of ricefield
- MSWDO distributed relief goods to each affected family

REGION VIII (EASTERN VISAYAS)

- **Leyte**
 - Minor floodings were reported in St. Bernard, Southern Leyte due to intermittent rain brought by the LPA
 - Affected families settled in various evacuation centers

ACTIONS TAKEN :

- RDRRMC8 disseminated weather advisories to local DRRMCs media and member agencies
- MDRRMO St. Bernard monitored the situation through radio communication and advised the public to conduct precautionary measures
 - Pre-emptive evacuation is being conducted in St. Bernard for flood prone barangays in the municipality

OCD-CARAGA

- Caraga Region is experiencing cloudy skies with rainshowers
- RDRRMC Operation Center disseminated NDRRMC advisories to the RDRRMC member-agencies
- The provinces of Surigao del Norte and Dinagat Islands had issued Alert Level 1 upon recommendation of PAGASA Surigao
- MDRRMCs were activated to undertake precautionary measures and be alert for possible pre-emptive evacuation

- PDRRMO of Surigao del Norte inspected swollen river situation in Brgy. Jubgan, Malimono, Surigao del Norte
- The Active Local Emergency response Team (ALERT) of Surigao del Norte and Dinagat Island Search and Rescue Team (DISART) are on stan-by to closely monitor the situation on their respective AORs
- The Quick Response Team (QART) of Surigao City was already deployed to flood-prone areas in the city especially in Brgy. San Juan for actual survey of the situation
- DPWH Caraga conducted monitoring of the conditions of major roads and bridges; Disaster Preparedness Teams and Equipments are on-stand by ready for deployment
- RDRRMC Operation Center continues to maintain 24/7 monitoring and undertakes coordination with the local DRRMCs for situational update
- A total of 7 Barangays with 280 Families/1,244 persons were evacuated to different evacuation centers as follows:

| Province | City /Municipality | Barangay | Population | | Evacuation Center |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | Families | Persons | |
| Surigao del Norte | Surigao City | Luna | 40 | 121 | Brgy. Hall |
| | | | 14 | 62 | Bernadette Chapel |
| | | Washington | 99 | 446 | Washington covered court |
| | | | 13 | 41 | City Gymnasium |
| | | Taft | 1 | 6 | Surigao Pilot Elem. Sch. |
| | Claver | Taganito | 3 | 18 | Brgy. Gymnasium |
| | Sison | Mabuhay | 43 | 215 | Mabuhay Elem. Sch. |
| | Tubod | Cauilan | 12 | 60 | Brgy. Multi Purpose Hall |
| | Placer | Magsaysay | 35 | 175 | Municipal Dome |
| | Sub- Total | | 6 Barangays | 260 | 1,144 |
| Province of Dinagat | Libjo | San Antonio | 20 | 100 | San Antonio, Libjo PBMA Sub-Chapter |
| | Sub-Total | | 1 Barangay | 20 | 100 |
| TOTAL | | 7 Barangays | 280 | 1,244 | |