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NDRRMC UPDATE

**Incident Monitored Covering the Period of
160800H–161700H June 2016**

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Sources: OCD VIII

1. Progress Report re Diarrhea Cases in Eastern Visayas (Region VIII)

A. Situation Overview:

- OCD VIII received report from DOH-HEMS on 09 June 2016 about diarrheal cases in Eastern Visayas from 01 April - 08 June 2016 due to intake of contaminated food and water which coincided with the occurrence of El Niño where dry spell caused water scarcity experienced in highland communities.

B. Effects:

- As of 15 June 2016, 5:00 PM, a total of **3,669 cases** were reported from hospitals and Rural Health Units (RHUs) in the **Provinces of Samar, Eastern Samar, Northern Samar, and Leyte**:
 - Samar: 1,836 cases**
 - Leyte: 370 cases**
 - Northern Samar: 940 cases**
 - Eastern Samar: 523 cases**
- A total of 44 persons were reported dead due to hypovolemic shock secondary to severe dehydration:**

PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY / CITY	NO. OF CASES	NO. OF DEATHS
Leyte		
Tacloban City	54	1
Hilongos	316	0
Sub Total	370	1
Eastern Samar		
Balangiga	96	1
Borongan	31	0
Giporlos	40	0

Guiuan	114	1
Jipapad	54	1
Maslog	52	0
Maydolong	73	0
Oras	24	0
Salcedo	21	0
Sulat	18	0
Sub Total	523	3
Northern Samar		
Biri	1	0
Bobon	33	0
Catarman	106	2
Catubig	67	0
Gamay	69	0
Laoang	45	0
Las Navas	202	2
Lavezares	227	2
Lope de Vega	2	0
Mondragon	24	0
Palapag	13	0
Pambujan	15	1
Rosario	16	0
San Jose	18	1
San Roque	96	0
Silvino Lobos	6	0
Sub Total	940	8
Samar		
Catbalogan City	215	8
Basey	203	3
Calbiga	266	2
Daram	50	1
Gandara	14	1
Hinabangan	44	0
Jiabong	25	1
Motiong	1	1
Paranas	88	0
Pinabacdao	73	4
San Jorge	52	2
San Sebastian	32	0
Sta. Margarita	63	1
Sta. Rita	327	3
Talalora	47	2
Tarangnan	193	1
Zumarraga	143	2
Sub Total	1,836	32
GRAND TOTAL	3,669	44

C. Actions Taken:

1. RDRRMC VIII

OCD VIII

- **Attended and participated in the meeting and discussion with DOH Team to help address the increasing number of diarrhea cases in Eastern Visayas held at DOH, Palo, Leyte.**
- **Attended the dialogue with DOH and affected Local Government Units (LGUs) in the Province of Samar held at the Provincial DOH Office, Catbalogan City, Samar.**
- **Attended the press conference and addressed the queries regarding the possibility of declaration of State of Calamity by the affected LGUs.**
- **Attended the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Cluster Meeting and identified logistical requirements for the identified short-term action plans.**
- **Coordinated with DOH - Regional Office VIII (DOH-RO VIII) for updates and harmonization of data.**
- **Coordinated with the Philippine Red Cross (PRC) and DOH-RO VIII to discuss the mobilization plan for the deployment of water treatment units.**
- **Provided 200 liters of fuel for the initial consumption of the water treatment units to be provided by PRC.**
- **Attended the meeting with Northern Samar PDRRMO, DSWD, DOH, DILG, 803rd Brigade of the AFP, and members of the media in Northern Samar and discussed therein were updates on the increasing diarrheal cases in the province.**
- **Informed the public regarding the latest update in the diarrheal cases and advocated for the health advisory through the local radio station 91.7 Like Radio.**

DILG VIII

- **Attended the WASH Cluster Meeting.**
- **Pledged to provide the list of municipalities with “SALINTUBIG” Projects.**

DOH-RO VIII

- **Raised to Code White Alert in anticipation for the further increase of the said outbreak and advised the public to ensure usage of safe and clean water, observe proper hand washing, and clean food preparation.**
- **Regional Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (RESU) conducted investigation and collected samples of laboratory confirmation.**
- **Regional HEMS (RHEMS) VIII provided IV fluids, assorted medicine, and aquatabs to Calbiga, Samar, and Catarman, Northern Samar amounting to ₱34,497.15.**
- **Samar, Eastern Samar, and Northern Samar Provincial DOH Offices coordinated with RHU and LGUs for continuous monitoring.**
- **RESU conducted health education regarding the importance of early consultation and importance of hydration before cases are brought to health authorities.**
- **RHEMS augmented Oral Rehydration Salt (ORS) worth ₱18,000.00 and 200 boxes of aquatabs donated by UNICEF to Jipapad - RHU.**
- **Conducted planning and debriefing for DOH-RO VIII Response Team 4 on 08 June 2016.**

- Submitted HEARS field report to authorities and partners.
- Organized a press conference to raise public awareness and disseminate the information to the affected provinces.
- Convened the WASH Cluster of Region VIII to update the regional partners on the situation and identify the need for possible assistance.
- Advised the public to observe the following to prevent the spread of the disease:
 1. Ensure usage of safe and clean water.
 2. If unsure, boil water for three minutes.
 3. Proper hand washing and hygiene.
 4. Proper food preparation.
 5. Practice household water treatment with chlorine, aquatabs, and hyposol.
 6. Storage reservoirs and water tanks should be regularly cleansed.
 7. Seek early consultation and use of ORS at home before sending the patient to the RHUs / hospitals.

BFP VIII

- Attended the WASH Cluster Meeting and pledged to supply water for household use in affected barangays in Leyte.

PHILHEALTH VIII

- Attended the WASH Cluster Meeting and pledged to provide exception to the 3-day confinement rule for the patients to avail reimbursement claims.

PHILIPPINE INFORMATION AGENCY (PIA) VIII

- Convened the local media and organized press conferences.
- Disseminated information to different stakeholders.

PRC VIII

- Attended the WASH Cluster Meeting and provided three (3) water treatment units with manpower to be deployed to Samar and Northern Samar.

OXFAM

- Attended the WASH Cluster Meeting and provided 1,000 jerry cans, 2,000 bottles of hyposol, and IEC materials regarding preparation of hyposol worth ₱267,200.00 prepositioned in Calbiga, Samar.

2. PROVINCIAL / CITY / MUNICIPAL DRRMCs

EASTERN SAMAR

Eastern Samar - Provincial DOH Office (PDO)

- Coordinated with DOH-RO VIII for technical assistance and request for logistical needs.
- Coordinated with RHU Jipapad to conduct investigation on the cause of increase of diarrheal cases.
- Coordinated with RHU and Provincial Epidemiological Surveillance Unit (PESU) Eastern Samar for continuous monitoring of the incident.

Eastern Samar - Provincial Health Office (PHO)

- Coordinated with PDO Samar and RHU Jipapad for continuous monitoring and update.
- Provided aquatabs and IV fluids.

- Submitted the Provincial Event-based Surveillance and Response Report to RESU.

Jipapad – RHU

- Conducted consultations and submitted the line-list of the patients affected to PDO and PESU Eastern Samar.
- Conducted health education to different communities.
- Provided IV fluids, ORS, and aquatabs to communities.

NORTHERN SAMAR

Northern Samar – PDO

- Coordinated with DOH-RO VIII for technical assistance and request for logistical needs.
- Provided assorted medicines, aquatabs, hyposol, and IV fluids worth ₱35,844.72 to RHU.
- Coordinated with Provincial Health Offices (PHOs) Samar, Lavezares, and Gamay and RHU Las Navas for further investigation and continuous monitoring of the incident.

Northern Samar – PHO

- Conducted initial investigation on the cause of increase of diarrheal cases in affected barangays.
- Coordinated with PDO Samar and RHUs Lavezares, Gamay, and Las Navas for continuous monitoring of the incident.

Lavezares, Gamay, and Las Navas – RHU

- Coordinated with DOH-RO VIII for logistical assistance.
- Conducted response operations and health assessment in affected barangays.
- Affected patients (out patients) were closely monitored and given essential medications.
- Conducted health education to different affected barangays.

SAMAR

Samar – PDO

- Coordinated with DOH-RO VIII for update on the situation of the affected persons.
- Submitted the line-list of cases in all affected municipalities in the province.
- Coordinated with the affected LGUs to conduct investigation on the cause of increase of diarrheal cases in all affected municipalities.
- Provided hyposol and aquatabs worth ₱3,420.50 to Zumarraga RHU, assorted medications, aquatabs, hyposol, and IV fluids worth ₱7,198.42 to Calbiga RHU, and aquatabs worth ₱6,000.00 and chlorine granules (donated) to Catbalogan CHO.
- Coordinated with PESU and affected municipalities for continuous monitoring of the incident.

Samar – PHO

- Conducted an initial investigation on the cause of diarrheal cases increase in the affected municipalities.

- PESU collected water samples for testing in the affected municipalities.
- Coordinated with PDO for continuous monitoring of the incident.

Samar – PDRRMO

- Attended the dialogue with DOH and affected LGUs in the province held at the PDO, Catbalogan City, Samar.
- Attended the wash Cluster Meeting.

Catbalogan City Health Office

- Conducted response operations and health assessment in affected barangays.
- Affected patients (out patients) were closely monitored and given medications.
- WASH Team conducted water sampling on the affected barangays.
- Nurse Deployment Project (NDP) nurses conducted health education to different affected barangays.

Calbiga – RHU

- Coordinated with DOH-RO VIII for logistical assistance.
- Conducted response operations and health assessment in affected barangays.
- Affected patients (out patients) were closely monitored and given medications.
- Conducted health education in affected barangays.

Zumarraga – RHU

- Conducted response operations and health assessment in affected barangays.
- Affected patients (out patients) were closely monitored and given medications.
- Submitted the line-list of patients affected Samar - PDO.
- Conducted health education in affected barangays.
- Constantly monitored the affected barangays for new cases of diarrhea.

3. LGUs

- Conducted consultation, health education, and health assessment.