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National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Center, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City, Philippines

NDRRMC UPDATE

**Severe Weather Bulletin No. 17 re
Tropical Storm "URDUJA" (KAI-TAK)**

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I. SITUATION OVERVIEW:

More rains expected over Eastern Visayas as Tropical Storm "Urduja" remains quasi-stationary.

- Expected to make landfall over **Northern Samar - Eastern Samar area between tomorrow morning and afternoon.**
- Estimated rainfall amount is from moderate to heavy within the **500 km** diameter of the Tropical Storm.
- Scattered to widespread rains will continue over Eastern Visayas and CARAGA and is expected to prevail over Bicol Region and the rest of Visayas within 24 hours. Residents of these areas **must undertake appropriate measures** against flooding and landslides and coordinate with their respective local government and disaster risk reduction and management offices.
- Sea travel remains risky over the eastern seaboard of Bicol Region and of Visayas due to the approaching Tropical Storm.

Location of eye/center	At 01:00 PM today, the center of Tropical Storm "URDUJA" was estimated based on all available data at 230 km East of Borongan City, Eastern Samar (11.7°N, 127.5°E)
Strength	Maximum sustained winds of 75 kph near the center and gustiness of up to 90 kph
Forecast Movement	Forecast to move Northwest at 5 kph
Forecast Positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 24 Hour (Tomorrow morning): 125 km East Northeast of Borongan City, Eastern Samar (12.0°N, 126.5°E)• 48 Hour (Sunday morning): In the vicinity of Silvino Lobos, Northern Samar (12.3°N, 124.9°E)• 72 Hour (Monday morning): 65 km North of Cuyo, Palawan (11.4°N, 121.0°E)• 96 Hour (Tuesday morning): 120 km North of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (10.8°N, 118.8°E)• 120 Hour (Wednesday morning): 335 km West of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (9.8°N, 115.7°E)

TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL (TCWS)

TCWS	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao	Impacts of Wind
<p>#2 (61-120kph expected in 24 hrs)</p>	-	<p>Northern Samar, Eastern Samar, Samar, and Biliran,</p>	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Light to Moderate damage to high risk structures; - Very light to light damage to medium-risk structures; - No damage to very light damage to low risk structures - Unshielded, old dilapidated schoolhouses, makeshift shanties, and other structures of light materials are partially damaged or unroofed. - A number of nipa and cogon houses may be partially or totally unroofed. - Some old galvanized iron (G.I.) roofs may be peeled or blown off. - Some wooden, old electric posts are tilted or downed. - Some damage to poorly constructed signs/billboards - In general, the winds may bring light to moderate damage to the exposed communities. Most banana plants, a few mango trees, ipil-ipil and similar types of trees are downed or broken - Some coconut trees may be tilted with few others broken - Rice and corn may be adversely affected - Considerable damage to shrubbery and trees with some heavy-foliaged trees blown down.
<p>Wave Height: (Open Sea) 4.1 - 14.0 meters Storm surge possible at coastal areas</p>				
<p>#1 (30-60kph expected in 36 hrs)</p>	<p>Catanduanes, Camarines Sur, Albay, Sorsogon, Romblon, Masbate including Burias and Ticao islands</p>	<p>Leyte, Southern Leyte, Northern Cebu, Capiz, Aklan and Northern Iloilo</p>	<p>Dinagat Islands</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Very light or no damage to high risk structures, - Light damage to medium to low risk structures - Slight damage to some houses of very light materials or makeshift structures in exposed communities. Some banana plants are tilted, a few downed and leaves are generally damaged - Twigs of small trees may be broken - Rice crops, however, may suffer significant damage when it is in its flowering stage.
<p>Wave Height: (Open Sea) 1.25 - 4.0 meters</p>				

ACTIONS TAKEN:

- NDRRM Operations Center disseminated Severe Weather Advisory No. **17** for **Tropical Storm “URDUJA”** to all OCD Regional Offices through SMS and facsimile and uploaded in the NDRRMC website for further dissemination to their respective local DRRMCs from the provincial down to the municipal levels.
 - The public and DRRM Councils concerned are advised to take appropriate actions and watch for the next weather bulletin to be issued at **05:00 PM today**.
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