



**NDRRMC UPDATE**

**Severe Weather Bulletin No. 41 re  
Tropical Depression "URDUJA" (KAI-TAK)**

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**1. SITUATION OVERVIEW:**

**"URDUJA" HAS MAINTAINED ITS STRENGTH AND IS NOW OVER THE WEST PHILIPPINE SEA.**

- Scattered rains will continue over Palawan. Residents of these areas must undertake appropriate measures against flooding and landslides and coordinate with their local disaster risk reduction and management (DRRM) offices.
- **Scattered rainshowers and thunderstorms is expected over the provinces of Isabela, Aurora, and Quezon due to effect of Tail-end of a cold front.**
- Sea travel is not advised over the seaboard of Palawan.
- Expected to exit the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR) between tomorrow morning or afternoon.
- Meanwhile, at 3:00 PM today, the **Low Pressure Area** was estimated based on all available data **at 1,450 km East of Mindanao (5.9°N, 139.3°E)**. However, the public and DRRM offices are advised to continue monitoring for updates regarding this weather disturbance.

<b>Location of eye/center</b>	At 4:00 PM today, the center of <b>Tropical Depression "URDUJA"</b> was estimated based on all available data <b>120km Northwest of Puerto Princesa (10.5°N, 118.0°E)</b> .
<b>Strength</b>	Maximum sustained winds of up to <b>45 kph</b> near the center and gustiness of up to <b>60 kph</b> .
<b>Forecast Movement</b>	Forecast to move <b>West Southwest</b> at <b>18 kph</b> .
<b>Forecast Positions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>24 Hour (Tomorrow morning): 480 km West of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR) (9.2°N, 114.4°E)</b></li> <li>• <b>48 Hour (Wednesday morning): 905 km West Southwest of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR) (7.0°N, 111.0°E)</b></li> </ul>

<b>TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL (TCWS)</b>				
<b>TCWS</b>	<b>Luzon</b>	<b>Visayas</b>	<b>Mindanao</b>	<b>Impacts of Wind</b>
<b>1 – (30-60 kph expected in 36 hrs)</b>	Palawan			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Very light or no damage to high risk structures,</li> <li>- Light damage to medium to low risk structures</li> <li>- 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</li> <li>- Twigs of small trees may be broken.</li> <li>- Rice crops, however, may suffer significant damage when it is in its flowering stage.</li> </ul>
<b>Wave Height:</b> (Open Sea) 1.25 - 4.0 meters				

**2. ACTIONS TAKEN:**

- NDRRM Operations Center disseminated Severe Weather Advisory No. **41** for **Tropical Depression “URDUJA”** to all OCD Regional Offices through SMS and facsimile and uploaded in the NDRRMC website for further dissemination to their respective local DRRM Councils 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 **11:00 PM today**.
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