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**NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

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

**NDRRMC UPDATE**

**Severe Weather Bulletin No. 38 re  
 Tropical Depression "URDUJA" (KAI-TAK)**

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Source: DOST-PAGASA

**1. SITUATION OVERVIEW:**

**"URDUJA" HAS MAINTAINED ITS STRENGTH AND IS ABOUT TO MAKE LANDFALL OVER NORTHERN PALAWAN.**

- Scattered rains will continue over Northern Palawan including Calamian Group of Islands. Residents of these areas must undertake appropriate measures against flooding and landslides and coordinate with their local disaster risk reduction and management offices.
- Sea travel is not advised over the seaboard of Palawan.
- Expected to exit the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR) between tomorrow morning and afternoon.
- Meanwhile, at **4:00 AM** today, the Tropical Depression outside the PAR was estimated based on all available data at **1,650 km East of Mindanao (6.8°N, 141.2°E)** with maximum sustained winds of **40 km/h near the center** and gustiness of up to **50 km/h**.

<b>Location of eye/center</b>	At <b>4:00 AM</b> today, the center of <b>Tropical Depression "URDUJA"</b> was estimated based on all available data at <b>195km East Northeast of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (10.7 °N, 120.2°E)</b> .
<b>Strength</b>	Maximum sustained winds of up to <b>55 kph</b> near the center and gustiness of up to <b>75 kph</b> .
<b>Forecast Movement</b>	Forecast to move <b>West at 18 kph</b> .
<b>Forecast Positions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>24 Hour (Tomorrow morning):</b> 270 km West of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (10.0°N, 116.3°E)</li> <li>• <b>48 Hour (Wednesday morning):</b> 255 km South Southwest of Pagasa Island, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR) (8.8°N, 113.5°E)</li> </ul>

**TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL (TCWS)**

<b>TCWS</b>	<b>Luzon</b>	<b>Visayas</b>	<b>Mindanao</b>	<b>Impacts of Wind</b>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>1 – (30-60 kph expected in 36 hrs)</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Palawan</p>		<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>
<p><b>Wave Height:</b> (Open Sea) 1.25 - 4.0 meters</p>			

**2. ACTIONS TAKEN:**

- NDRRM Operations Center disseminated Severe Weather Advisory No. **38** 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 **8:00 AM today**.
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