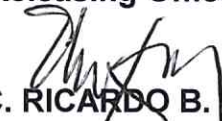




NDRRMC UPDATE

Severe Weather Bulletin No. 26 re Severe Tropical Storm "VINTA" (TEMBIN)

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1. SITUATION OVERVIEW:

SEVERE TROPICAL STORM "VINTA" CONTINUES TO INTENSIFY AFTER CROSSING THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF BALABAC ISLAND IN SOUTHERN PALAWAN.

- **Scattered to widespread moderate to heavy rains** will prevail over Palawan, while **scattered light to moderate with at times heavy rains** is expected over the western section of Visayas and Mindanao. Residents of these areas must take appropriate actions against **flooding and landslides**, coordinate with their respective local disaster risk reduction and management offices, and continue monitoring for updates.
- **Sea travel remains risky** over the seaboard of areas under Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal (TCWS), the southern seaboard of Mindoro Provinces and the western seaboard of Zamboanga Peninsula, of Basilan, of Sulu and of Tawi-Tawi due to the Tropical Storm.
- **May intensify** into a Typhoon before **exiting the Philippine Area of Responsibility** between this morning and afternoon.

Location of eye/center	At 1:00 AM today, the center of Severe Tropical Storm "VINTA" was estimated based on all available data at 355 km Southwest of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan or 410 km South Southeast of Pagasa Island, Palawan (7.9°N, 116.1°E)
Strength	Maximum sustained winds of up to 110 kph near the center and gustiness of up to 170 kph .
Forecast Movement	Forecast to move West at 23 kph .
Forecast Positions	24 Hour (Tonight): 325 km Southwest of Pagasa Island, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR) (8.7°N, 111.5°E)

TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL

TCWS	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao	Impacts of the Wind
2 (61-120 kph Expected in 24 hours)	Southern Palawan	-	-	<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

			<p>schoolhouses, makeshift shanties, and other structures of light materials are partially damaged or unroofed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
Wave Height: (Open Sea) 4.1-14.0 meters Storm surge possible at coastal areas			
1 (30-60 kph Expected in 36 hours)	Rest of Palawan	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very light or no damage to low 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.
Wave Height: (Open Sea) 1.25-4.0 meters			
The Public and the disaster risk reduction and management council are advised to take appropriate actions and watch for the next Severe Weather Bulletin to be issued at 5:00 AM today.			

2. ACTIONS TAKEN:

- NDRRM Operations Center disseminated Severe Weather Advisory No. **26** for **Severe Tropical Storm "VINTA"** 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.