



NDRRMC UPDATE

Severe Weather Bulletin No. 8
for Tropical Depression "USMAN"

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TROPICAL DEPRESSION "USMAN" CONTINUES TO MOVE WESTWARD TOWARDS EASTERN VISAYAS.

- Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal #1 (TCWS #1) may be raised over Camarines Norte, southern Oriental Mindoro, Antique, rest of Iloilo, and Guimaras in the next Severe Weather Bulletin. Possible disruption of maritime travel should be expected over these areas.
- "USMAN" may intensify into a Tropical Storm prior to landfall over Eastern Samar tomorrow afternoon (28 December).
- Moderate to heavy rains, which may trigger flooding and landslides, will continue over Bicol Region, Eastern Visayas and Dinagat Islands tonight. Meanwhile, moderate to heavy rains will affect Visayas, Bicol Region, Mindoro Provinces, Marinduque, Romblon, and Quezon tomorrow (28 December). Residents of these areas, especially those living near river channels and in low-lying and mountainous areas, are advised to take appropriate measures, coordinate with local disaster risk reduction and management offices, and continue monitoring for updates.
- Fisheryfolk and those with small seacrafts are advised not to venture out over the seaboard of areas under TCWS #1, the seaboard of Northern Luzon, the eastern seaboard of Central and Southern Luzon, and the eastern seaboard of Surigao Provinces due to the approaching Tropical Depression and the surge of the Northeast Monsoon.
- "USMAN" may exit the Philippine Area of Responsibility between Sunday evening (December 30) and Monday morning (December 31).

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| Location of eye/center: | At 7:00 PM today, the center of Tropical Depression "USMAN" was estimated based on all available data at 365 km East of Guiuan, Eastern Samar (10.4°N, 129.0°E). |
| Strength: | Maximum winds of up to 55 km/h near the center and gustiness of up to 65 km/h . |
| Movement: | Moving West at 10 km/h . |
| Forecast Positions: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 24 Hour (Tomorrow afternoon): 60 km East Northeast of Guiuan, Eastern Samar (11.3°N, 126.2°E)• 48 Hour (Saturday afternoon): 60 km South Southeast of Coron, Palawan (11.5°N, 120.4°E) |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 72 Hour (Sunday afternoon): 370 km West Northwest of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (11.0°N, 115.6°E) • 96 Hour (Monday afternoon): 655 km West of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR) (10.6°N, 112.8°E) |
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TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL

| TCWS | Luzon | Visayas | Mindanao | Impacts of the wind |
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| 1 (30-60 km/h Expected in 36 hours) | Southern Quezon, Marinduque, Romblon, Catanduanes, Camarines Sur, Albay, Sorsogon, and Masbate, including Ticao and Burias Islands | Eastern Samar, Northern Samar, Samar, Biliran, Leyte, Southern Leyte, Northern Cebu including Camotes Islands, Aklan, Capiz, Northern Iloilo and Northern Negros Occidental | Dinagat Island | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very light or no damage to low risk structures • Light damage to medium to high 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 |

The public and the disaster risk reduction and management council concerned are advised to take appropriate actions and watch for the next Severe Weather Bulletin to be issued at 11:00 PM today.

I. ACTIONS TAKEN

NDRRM Operations Center disseminated Severe Weather Advisory No. 8 for Tropical Depression “**USMAN**” 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.