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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**

**Incident Monitored covering the Period  
282000H to 290800H April 2019**

**Releasing Officer:**

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Administrator, OCD

**DATE : 28 April 2019**

*Sources: OCD RO VIII*

### **1. Incident Report on the Grass Fire at Barangay Arado, Palo, Leyte**

#### **A. Situation Overview:**

- On or about 01:40 PM 23 April 2019, a fire call was relayed by the Office of Provincial Fire Marshall (OPFM) Leyte Norte BFP to Palo Fire Station.
- Palo Fire Station deployed and mobilized Engine Coy #4 at 01:42 PM and arrived at around 01:45 PM, due to the severity of the situation Engine Coy #1 was called into action at approximately 01:48 PM to augment in the ongoing fire suppression.
- Due to the severity and magnitude of the fire incident, F/Insp Artemio N Salazar BFP as Ground Commander radioed OPFM Leyte Norte BFP and requested for additional augmentation of resource in support to the ongoing fire suppression.
- Second alarm was raised by the Ground Commander to expediently maximize the fire suppression operations in the ground with the assistance of other units.
- The following units from neighboring municipalities and city responded to the emergency:
  1. Sta Fe Station, Sta Fe, Leyte
  2. Alang-Alang Fire Station, Alang-Alang, Leyte
  3. Tacloban Central Fire Station, Tacloban City
  4. Tanauan Fire Station, Tanauan, Leyte
  5. Tolosa Fire Station, Tolosa, Leyte
  6. Filipino-Chinese Volunteer Fire Brigade (Green), Tacloban City
  7. MDRRMO, Palo, Leyte
- Fire was declared under control at around 03:20 PM and subsequently declared fire out at 03:55 PM.
- Based on the initial investigation and inspection conducted at the fire scene, the involved area is an abandoned property owned by the Barber Family. The estimated area of the property / land was approximately 2-3 hectares wherein 90% to 95 % were burned.

#### **B. Effects:**

- No casualties or injuries were recorded from subject fire incident and no monetary value of the razed area is negligible due to no crops, livestock and structures were directly affected.

#### **C. Actions Taken:**

- The following fire stations responded in the fire incident: (1) Palo Fire Station, (2) Sta Fe Fire Station, (3) Alang-Alang Fire Station, (4) Tacloban Central Fire Station, (5) Tanauan Fire Station, (6) Tolosa Fire Station, (7) Filipino-Chinese Volunteer Fire Brigade (Green), and (8) Palo MDRRMO.
  - Palo Fire Station conducted investigation re causes of fire incident.
  - OCD RO VIII coordinated with BFP and MDRRMO Dulag re fire incident, and continuously monitoring the incident.
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