NDRRMC UPDATE

Severe Weather Bulletin No. 06 for Tropical Depression (TD) "FALCON" (I.N DANAS)

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TROPICAL DEPRESSION "FALCON" HAS INTENSIFIED INTO A TROPICAL STORM AS IT CONTINUES TO MOVE WESTWARD.

- "FALCON" has intensified into a Tropical Storm at 2:00 PM today. The international name "DANAS" was contributed by the Philippines and means "to experience and feel".
- Between today and tomorrow afternoon, moderate to heavy rains will be experienced over Ilocos Region, Cordillera Administrative Region, Cagayan Valley, Nueva Ecija, Aurora, Zambales, Occidental Mindoro, northern Palawan including Calamian and Cuyo Islands, Aklan, Antique, Capiz, Iloilo, and Guimaras. Meanwhile, light to moderate with at times heavy rains will be experienced over Metro Manila, CALABARZON, Bicol Region, and the rest of Visayas, Central Luzon, and MIMAROPA.
- Between tomorrow afternoon and Thursday (18 July) afternoon, moderate
 to heavy rains may prevail over llocos Region, Cordillera Administrative Region,
 and Cagayan Valley. Meanwhile, light to moderate with at times heavy rains may
 prevail over the Metro Manila, Central Luzon, CALABARZON, and MIMAROPA.
- Residents in the aforementioned areas, especially those living in areas identified
 to be at risk of flooding and landslides, are advised to take precautionary
 measures, coordinate with local disaster risk reduction and management offices,
 and continue monitoring for updates, especially the Thunderstorm Advisories and
 Heavy Rainfall Warnings to be issued by PAGASA Regional Services Divisions.
- Sea travel is risky over the seaboards of areas under TCWS and the eastern seaboards of Central Luzon, Southern Luzon and Visayas.
- Tropical Cyclone Wind Signal (TCWS) #1 may be raised over the northern portions of Aurora, Quirino and Nueva Vizcaya and the rest of Abra, Mt. Province and Ifugao in the succeeding Severe Weather Bulletins.
- This weather disturbance is expected to closely approach or make landfall over Babuyan-Batanes Islands area tomorrow evening and may exit the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR) on Friday (19 July).

Location of eye/center: Strength: Movement:	"FALCON 335 km E (16.9° N, 1 Maximum gustiness of Moving We 24 H South	At 4:00 PM today, the center of Tropical Storm "FALCON" was estimated based on all available data at 335 km East Southeast of Tuguegarao City, Cagayan (16.9° N, 124.8° E). Maximum winds of up to 65 km/h near the center and gustiness of up to 80 km/h Moving West at 30 km/h • 24 Hour (Tomorrow afternoon): 100 km East Southeast of Calayan, Cagayan (19.0°N, 122.4°E) • 48 Hour (Thursday afternoon): 200 km North				
Forecast Position	• 72 Ho of Bas • 96 Ho Basco,	Northwest of Basco Batanes (22.0°N, 121.0°E) 72 Hour (Friday afternoon): 620 km North Northwest of Basco, Batanes (OUTSIDE PAR) (25.8°N, 120.2°E) 96 Hour (Saturday afternoon): 965 km North of Basco, Batanes (OUTSIDE PAR) (29.0°N, 120.3°E) PICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL				
TCWS LUZON		MINDANAO	Impacts of the Wind			
2 (61-120 km/h expected in 24 hours) Northeast portion Cagaya includin Babuya Group of Islands	of n g - n of		 Light to moderate damage to high risk structures Very light to light damage to low risk structures No damage to very light damage to low risk structures Unshielded, old dilapidated schoolhouses, makeshift shanties, and other structures of light materials are partially damaged or unroofed 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 titled 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. Rice and corn may be adversely affected 			

	Potonos			•	Considerate damage to shrubbery and trees with some heavy-foliaged trees blown down.
1 (30- 60km/h expected in 36 hours)	Batanes, rest of Cagayan, northern portion of Ilocos Norte, northern portion of Abra, Apayao, Kalinga, Isabela, eastern portion of Mt. Province, and eastern portion of Ifugao	-	-	•	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 8 PM today.

ACTIONS TAKEN:

NDRRM Operations Center disseminated Severe Weather Advisory No. **06** for Tropical Depression "FALCON" 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.