




REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Center, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City, Philippines

NDRRMC UPDATE

Situational Report No. 02 re Coronavirus Disease-2019 (COVID-19)

Releasing Officer:


UNDERSECRETARY RICARDO B JALAD
Executive Director, NDRRMC and
Administrator, OCD

DATE: 14 March 2020, 6:00 PM

Sources: DOH, DepEd, OCD ROs I, II, III, CALABARZON, MIMAROPA, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, CARAGA, BARMM, CAR, and NCR

I. SITUATION OVERVIEW

- On 31 December 2019, a clustering of pneumonia cases of unknown etiology was reported in Wuhan, China. The outbreak was later determined to be caused by a new coronavirus strain that has not been previously identified in humans.
- On 30 January 2020, the Department of Health (DOH) confirmed the first case in the Philippines when a 38-year-old female Chinese patient under investigation (PUI) tested positive for the COVID-19.
- In light of the confirmation of localized transmission in the country and in anticipation of possible sustained community transmission, DOH has raised the COVID-19 Alert System to Code Red Sublevel 1 on 07 March 2020.
- On 08 March 2020, with the recommendation of the DOH, the Office of the President declared a State of Public Health Emergency through Proclamation No. 922, s. 2020. This will facilitate mobilization of resources, ease processes including procurement of critical logistics and supplies, and intensify reporting.
- On 12 March 2020, 9:00 PM, a Presidential Press Conference was conducted announcing the raising of the Philippine's COVID-19 Alert Level System to Code Red Sublevel 2. The Chief Executive approved the imposition of Stringent Social Distancing Measures in the National Capital Region (NCR) for thirty (30) days, effective 15 March 2020.

II. EFFECTS

A. Suspected and Confirmed Cases

- As of **14 March 2020**, there are **153 Patients Under Investigation (PUIs)** (previous report: 68 PUIs) who are currently admitted in different facilities in Regions I, II, III, CALABARZON, VI, VII, VIII, X, XI, XII, CARAGA, BARMM, CAR, and NCR.
- A total of **sixty-four (64) cases** (previous report: 52 cases) were confirmed in Regions III, CALABARZON, VII, X, and NCR. Of which, **six (6) were reported dead** (previous report: 5), **five (5) have recovered**, and **53 are currently admitted**.

Source: DOH as of 14 March 2020, 10:00 AM

B. Suspension of Classes

A total of **135 cities/municipalities** in Regions **III, MIMAROPA, VII, XII**, and NCR declared suspension of classes.

REGION/PROVINCE/ CITY/MUNICIPALITY	REMARKS	DATE OF SUSPENSION
III		
Aurora		
<i>Baler</i>	All Levels (Public and Private)	14 March 2020 (until further notice)
Bataan (province-wide)	All Levels (Public and Private)	14 March 2020 (until further notice)
Bulacan (province-wide)	All Levels (Public and Private)	10 - 14 March 2020
Pampanga (province-wide)	All Levels (Public and Private)	16 March 2020 (until further notice)
<i>Angeles City</i>	All Levels (Public and Private)	13 January 2020 (until further notice)
MIMAROPA		
Palawan		
<i>Puerto Princesa City</i>	All Levels (Public and Private)	14 - 21 March 2020
VII		
Cebu (province-wide)	Kindergarten to High School	16 March 2020 (until lifted)
<i>Cebu City</i>	All Levels (Public and Private)	16 - 28 March 2020
Negros Oriental		
<i>Sibulan</i>	All Levels (Public)	13 - 17 March 2020
<i>Tayasan</i>	All Levels (Public and Private)	12 - 13 March 2020
<i>Canlaon</i>	All Levels (Public)	13 - 17 March 2020
XII		
North Cotabato		
<i>Arakan</i>	All Levels, Public and Private	16 - 22 March 2020
NCR		
<i>Region-wide</i>	All Levels, Public and Private	10 March to 14 April 2020

Source: **OCD MIMAROPA, VII, XII**, and Memorandum from the Executive Secretary re Stringent Social Distancing Measures and Further Guidelines for the Management of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 Situation

C. Suspension of Domestic Travel

Land, domestic air, and domestic sea travel to and from Metro Manila is suspended from 15 March to 14 April 2020 as declared by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte during the Presidential Press conference conducted on 12 March 2020.

III. DISASTER PREPAREDNESS and RESPONSE

A. National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC)

NDRRM Operations Center (NDRRMOC)

- The NDRRMOC raised its alert status to BLUE on 13 March 2020, 8:00 AM for the continuous monitoring of COVID-19. Likewise, the NDRRMOC ensures maximized coordination with concerned agencies and RDRRMCs / OCD Regional Offices.
- Facilitated the conduct of the Emergency Meeting on 05 February 2020, 3:00 PM at the 3rd Floor, New NDRRMC Building, Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City.
- Facilitated the conduct of the Emergency Full Council Meeting on 07 February 2020, at DND Building, Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City.
- Disseminated DOH COVID-19 advisories to all OCDROs thru email and SMS.**

- e. Attended the 11th Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease on COVID-19 (IATF-EID) on 12 March 2020 at the Department of National Defense.
- f. Conducted a meeting re Updates on COVID-19 Situation and Response on 14 March 2020, 10:00 AM at the 3rd Floor, New NDRRMC Building, Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City.

B. Regional/Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Councils (R/LDRRMCs)

RDRRMCs I, II, III, **CALABARZON**, **MIMAROPA**, **V**, **VI**, **VII**, **VIII**, **IX**, **X**, **XI**, **XII**, **CARAGA**, **CAR**, and **NCR** are continuously monitoring their areas of responsibility and are in close coordination with their respective member agencies to ensure the widest dissemination of updates and advisories through SMS, facsimile, and official social media websites.

RDRRMC	ALERT STATUS	DATE
II	BLUE	13 March 2020
III	BLUE	13 March 2020
CALABARZON	BLUE	13 March 2020
MIMAROPA	BLUE	13 March 2020
V	BLUE	06 February 2020
VI	BLUE	14 March 2020
VII	BLUE	14 March 2020
VIII	BLUE	13 March 2020
IX	BLUE	13 March 2020
X	BLUE	13 March 2020
XI	BLUE	13 March 2020
XII	BLUE	11 March 2020
CARAGA	BLUE	13 March 2020
BARMM	BLUE	13 March 2020
CAR	BLUE	01 March 2020
NCR	BLUE	13 March 2020

1. RDRRMC III

OCD III

- a. Raised its alert status to BLUE effective 13 March 2020, 8:00 AM.
- b. Conducted a meeting with the DILG, DOH, PNP and AFP to discuss response actions for COVID-19.

PHO Nueva Ecija

Conducted information dissemination campaign in schools, universities and various establishments in the province to practice precautionary measures, such as the implementation of One Entry, One Exit policy to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

PDRRMC Tarlac

Issued MC. No. 01 dated 12 March 2020 enjoining all Local Chief Executives to render full assistance and cooperation and mobilize the necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent, and appropriate response measures in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate COVID-19.

PDRRMC Nueva Ecija

Issued an Executive Order re Multi-Sectoral and IATF for the Control of Management of COVID-19 in the province.

MDRRMC Dingalan, Aurora

Monitoring teams were deployed along entry and exit points in the municipality to establish checkpoints and check body temperature of all entering individuals.

2. RDRRMC MIMAROPA

OCD MIMAROPA

- a. Issued Memorandum No. 021, S. 2020 dated 13 March 2020 re Guidance of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte vs the Spread of COVID-19.
- b. Issued Memorandum No. 019, S. 2020 dated 13 March 2020 re Raising of Alert Status to BLUE at the RDRRMC MIMAROPA Operations Center effective 13 March 2020, 1:00 PM.
- c. Provided OCD MIMAROPA personnel with N95 mask, topical antiseptic, and multivitamins to ensure personal safety.
- d. Disseminated the Official DOH IEC material to RDRRMC Member-Agencies and all LDRRMOs in MIMAROPA through all means of communication.

DOH MIMAROPA

- a. Delivered medicine and other supplies in Marinduque on 12 March 2020.
- b. COVID-19 ICS Team conducted a meeting regarding updates on new definitions of PUIs, status of the region on COVID-19, delivery of logistics to the Province of Palawan, and preparations for the visit to government and private hospitals in Palawan.
- c. Conducted an Incident Management Team Meeting with the Regional Director.
- d. Coordinated with other agencies for commodity warehousing and transport.
- e. Activated the COVID-19 hotline.
- f. Conducted verification and validation of possible PUIs who contacted the DOH MIMAROPA Hotline.
- g. Collected and collated the LGU Response Plan for COVID-19 for the development of Regional Response Plan.
- h. Activated the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) for COVID-19.
- i. Established a teleconference system for coordination meetings with the PDOHOs and other agencies.
- j. Conducted misting and disinfection of CHD MIMAROPA Offices.

CDRRMC Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

- a. Issued suspension of all domestic air travel to and from Puerto Princesa City from 15 March to 14 April 2020.
- b. Issued Memorandum No. 2020-66 s. 2020 re Conduct of Disinfection / Sanitation Activities Everyday Before and After Working Hours.
- c. Issued Suspension of classes in all levels in Puerto Princesa City from 14 to 21 March 2020.
- d. Issued Memorandum No. 2020-65 S. 2020 re Guidelines on Travel Abroad and Local Travles on Official Business or Personal Transaction relative to COVID-19.

MDRRMC Bataraza, Palawan

Issued an advisory re Municipal-Wide Response and Measures by the Municipal Government of Bataraza for its Constituents in Addressing the COVID-19 Threats.

PDRRMC Marinduque

- a. Issued Executive Order No. 14 – 2020, “An Order Suspending Classes in All Levels to Prevent / Contain COVID-19”.
- b. Issued Executive Order No. 13 – 2020, “An Order Strictly Implementing the Travel Ban on the Travelers to Prevent / Contain the COVID-19”.
- c. Continuous monitoring of all ports of entry and provided meals for response teams stationed at Balanacan Port.

MDRRMCs Torrijos and Buenavista, Marinduque

Participated at the Emergency Meeting at the Provincial Capitol re Recent Development on COVID-19 on 13 March 2020.

MDRRMC Gasan, Marinduque

Attended the Municipal Security Advisory Meeting with Barangay Captains, PNP, RHU, and Office of the Mayor on 13 March 2020.

PDRRMC Romblon

Issued Memorandum Order No. 078 S. 2020 dated 12 March 2020 re Postponement of the Joint 119th Romblon Foundation and 75th Liberation Anniversaries and Other Related Activities.

MDRRMC Corcuera, Romblon

- a. Placed the COVID-19 Task Force on duty at the Corcuera Feeder Port.
- b. Conducted routine thermal scanning of arriving passengers from Batangas City by personnel of RHU assisted by MDRRMO, PNP, and PCG Corcuera.

PDRRMC Oriental Mindoro

- a. Issued Executive Order No. 22, S. 2020, “An Executive Order Restricting the Movement of People and Goods in Order to Prevent the Entry and Spread of COVID-19 in the Province of Oriental Mindoro”.
- b. Issued Executive Order No. 21, S. 2020, “An Executive Order Strengthening Measures Against the Entry and Spread of the COVID-19 in the Province of Oriental Mindoro”.

MDRRMC Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro

- a. Conducted an information drive re COVID-19.
- b. Installed informative signages re COVID-19.
- c. Conducted an orientation for the Barangay Health Emergency Response Team in coordination with the Municipal Health Office.

3. RDRRMC VII

OCD VII

- a. Raised the alert status to BLUE and activated the RDRRMC VII EOC on 14 March 2020, 8:00 AM.
- b. Disseminated COVID-19 advisories to LGUs.
- c. Coordinated with DOH re status and updates on COVID-19 in the region.
- d. Ensured continuous monitoring of the AOR.

DOH VII

- e. On 7 January 2020, the DOH Central Visayas CHD Released Regional Circular No. 26, mandating all disease reporting units to strengthen surveillance of Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) along with Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI) and to immediately report cases received in their respective facilities

that would fit the case definition for the timely response and containment of easels by our personnel.

- f. Conducted a coordinative meeting for COVID-19 on 19 January 2020.
- g. Collected laboratory samples and sent to Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM).
- h. Held a coordinative meeting to discuss the incident management teams for the entire region and the case referral flows, protocols, and guidelines on 20 January 2020.
- i. Human Resource for Health (HRH) personnel were deployed for augmentation to the Bureau of Quarantine (BOQ) at the Mactan Cebu International Airport (MCIA).
- j. Regular media press briefings were conducted and localized information education and communication (IEC) campaign materials were developed.
- k. Coordinated with Bureau of Quarantine (BOQ), Bureau of Immigration, and airline companies for contact tracing details.

DTI VII

Posted a notice to retailers re “Two (2) Bottles per Transaction Policy to Ensure Availability of Supply and Reasonableness of Prices of Alcohol, Hand Sanitizers, Hand Gels, and Other Basic Disinfectants”.

4. RDRRMC XII

OCD XII

- a. Raised its alert status to BLUE on 11 March 2020.
- b. Directed LDRRMCs and RDRRMC XII Member-Agencies to come up with a Preparedness and Response Action Plan for COVID-19 and continuously monitor the situation within their respective AORs.
- c. Continuous coordination with RDRRMC XII Member-Agencies as well as P/C/MDRRMCs.

DILG XII

Implemented their Preparedness and Response Action for the COVID-19 and activated their monitoring system in all LGUs in the region.

DOH XII

Continuously reminds and informs the general public to cooperate with the government for Health Promotion and Prevention and perform preventive measures to prevent and contain the spread of COVID-19.

PDRRMC South Cotabato

- a. Issued Executive No. 15 directing all Local Government Units (LGUs) and Government Offices in the Province of South Cotabato to adopt stricter measures and guidelines in order to prevent, curtail, and contain the spread of COVID-19 in the entire Province of South Cotabato.
- b. Activated the EOC and Provincial Incident Management Team as part of their preparedness and response action measures relative to COVID-19.

MDRRMC Tupi, South Cotabato

- a. Municipal Health Office (MHO) Tupi and MDRRMO Tupi posted COVID-19 posters and distributed related IEC materials.
- b. Conducted MDRRMC meeting in relation to COVID-19 and African Swine Fever.
- c. MHO held a consultation meeting with different stakeholders.

- d. MHO procured medical supplies.
- e. MDRRMO reproduced IEC materials.
- f. PNP conducted information dissemination and monitoring of Persons Under Monitoring/Investigation.
- g. Integrated Provincial Health Office conducted quarantine of PUIs and swab test which was submitted to the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine.

MDRRMC Malungon, Sarangani

Issued Executive Order No. 15 directing the implementation of Proclamation No. 922 issued by the Office of the President (State of Public Health Emergency) in the Municipality of Malungon, Sarangani.

CDRRMC General Santos City

Issued an Executive Order Establishing Guidelines to Minimize the Transmission of COVID-19 in General Santos City.

MDRRMC Arakan, North Cotabato

Issued LGU Arakan Advisory No. 2, s. 2020 re Suspension of Classes in Both Public and Private School at All Levels Effective 16 to 22 March 2020.

5. Metro Manila DRRM Council

CDRRMC Pasig

Distributed over 500 sets of backpack sprayers with disinfectant and personal protective equipment (PPEs) including hazmat suits, face shields, gloves, and boots to 30 barangays in the city.

CDRRMC Parañaque

The DRRMO raised its alert status to BLUE effective 13 March 2020, 8:00 AM.
