# **NDRRMC UPDATE**

Severe Weather Bulletin No. 03 for Tropical Storm "LEON" (I.N. NOUL)

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"LEON" MAINTAINS ITS STRENGTH AS IT SLIGHTLY ACCELERATES OVER THE WEST PHILIPPINE SEA.

## Track and intensity outlook:

- "LEON" will continue tracking west-northwestward throughout the forecast period. It is forecast to exit the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR) tomorrow morning. On the forecast track, "LEON" is will turn more westward tomorrow afternoon or evening and and will make landfall over northern or central Vietnam on Friday afternoon or evening.
- "LEON" is forecast to reach severe tropical storm category within 24 hours and peak intensity on Friday.

## Hazards affecting land:

- No tropical cyclone wind signal is currently in effect. However, intermittent gusts due to the Southwest Monsoon may be experienced over Batanes, Babuyan Islands, MIMAROPA, and Western Visayas.
- Today, Southwest Monsoon enhanced by "LEON" will bring moderate to heavy rains over Aurora, Palawan (including Kalayaan, Calamian, and Cuyo Islands), Mindoro Provinces and Western Visayas. Light to moderate with at times heavy rains will be experienced over eastern Cagayan, Isabela, Nueva Vizcaya, Quirino, Metro Manila, CALABARZON, Bicol Region, Mindanao and the rest of Central Luzon, MIMAROPA, and Visayas.
- Flooding and rain-induced landslide may occur during heavy or prolonged rainfall especially in areas that are highly or very highly susceptible to these hazards. PAGASA Regional Services Divisions will issue local thunderstorm/rainfall advisories and heavy rainfall warnings as appropriate.

#### Hazards affecting coastal waters:

- Gale Warning is in effect over the western seaboard of Palawan (including Kalayaan Islands) and Occidental Mindoro, Batangas, Pangasinan, and the seaboard of Zambales due to rough to very rough seas (2.5 to 4.5 m). Sea travel is risky over these areas.
- Moderate to rough seas (1.2 to 3.1 m) will prevail over seaboards of the rest
  of the country. Those with small seacrafts are advised to take precaution
  when venturing out to sea.

Location of eye/center	At 10:00 AM today, the center of Tropical Storm "LEON" was estimated based on all available data at 330 km West Northwest of Coron, Palawan (13.1°N, 117.4°E).
Strength	Maximum sustained winds of <b>65 km/h</b> near the center and gustiness of up to <b>80 km/h</b> .
Movement	Moving West Northwestward at 15 km/h.
Forecast Positions	<ul> <li>24 Hour (Tomorrow morning): 455 km North of Kalayaan, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR) (15.1°N, 114.3°E)</li> <li>48 Hour (Friday morning): 805 km Northwest of Kalayaan, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR) (16.7°N, 109.5°E)</li> </ul>
NO TROPICAL CYCLONE WIND SIGNAL	

The public and the disaster risk reduction and management council concerned are advised to take appropriate actions and watch for the next update to be incorporated in the **4:00 PM** Public Weather Forecast and in the next Severe Weather Bulletin to be issued at **11:00 PM** today.

#### **ACTIONS TAKEN:**

NDRRM Operations Center cascaded **Severe Weather Bulletin No. 03** for **Tropical Storm "LEON" (I.N NOUL)** to all OCD Regional Offices concerned through SMS and email and uploaded in the NDRRMC website for further dissemination to their respective local DRRMCs from the provincial down to the municipal levels.