

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Center, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City, Philippines

MAY 14 2020

MEMORANDUM No. 49, s. 2020

TO

: ALL CONCERNED NDRRMC MEMBER-AGENCIES AND REGIONAL DRRMC/OCDROs I, II, III, CALABARZON, MIMAROPA, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, CAR, ARMM, CARAGA, and NCR

SUBJECT

: ALERT STATUS AT THE NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS CENTER (NDRRMOC) ICOW TYPHOON "AMBO" (I.N. VONGFONG)

At 10:00 AM, 14 May 2020, the center of Typhoon "AMBO" was located based on all available data including those from Guiuan Doppler Radar at 140 km East Southeast of Catarman, Northern Samar (12.2 °N, 125.9 °E). TY "AMBO" maintains it strength as it endangers the Eastern Samar – Northern Samar Area. Based on this, the alert status of NDRRMOC is still maintained to RED Alert Status not only due to the threats posed by COVID-19, but also because of the approaching TY "AMBO".

It is on this premise that you are hereby directed to maintain/raise the alert status of your respective Operations Center to closely monitor, consolidate, and report all related incidents and to ensure prompt coordination with concerned agencies and offices. Further, you are instructed to:

- Submit report on preparedness measures and response action plans to NDRRMOC
- Establish connectivity with Emergency Operations Centers (EOCs) and inform NDRRM Operations Center on the updates at your AORs
- Continuously monitor your respective AOR for floodings and landslides due to heavy and intense torrential rains
- Ensure implementation of Local DRRMC's preparedness measures
- Disseminate updates and advisories including MGB list to Local DRRMCs for widest information redundancy, and
- Reiterate the COVID0-19 guidelines on personal protection and hygiene such as respiratory etiquette and hand hygiene, social distancing, environmental, and food safety measures especially on evacuation centers

In adherence to social distancing, movement and protection of resources and likewise, for prompt coordination and reporting, all **NDRRMC Member Agencies** are directed to ensure continuous coordination and submit consolidated preparedness

measures/interventions and response actions of your respective agencies regarding **Typhoon "AMBO"**.

Further, in observance to the COVID-19 guidelines, especially on social distancing, your designated focal persons are temporarily not required to report to the NDRRM Operations Center for duty service. However, may we request that their names and contact details be submitted to this office for coordination and planning purposes.

Should you have any questions, you may reach Mr. Bhernard Bhe Escala or Mr. Joe Mark Cabador at 8911-1406 / 8912-5668 or at our email at ndrrmoc@ocd.gov.ph.

For guidance and compliance.

By Authority of the Chairperson, NDRRMC:

UNDERSECRETARY RICARDO B. JALAD

Executive Director, NDRRMC and Administrator, OCD

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