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**NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

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

MEMORANDUM  
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**TO :** Chairpersons, RDRRMCs/OCDROs I, II, CAR, III, CALABARZON, MIMAROPA, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, CARAGA, BARMM and NCR

**SUBJECT :** La Niña Alert

PAGASA's recent climate monitoring and analyses indicate that La Niña may emerge in the coming months. La Niña is characterised by unusually cool ocean surface temperature in the Central and Eastern Equatorial Pacific (CEEP). Based on latest forecasts by most climate models and expert judgements, there is a 70-80% chance of La Niña forming in the last quarter of 2021 which may persist until the first quarter of 2022.

Rainfall forecasts also suggest a higher probability of above normal rainfall conditions in many areas of the country in the next several months. This can be attributed to the expected stronger easterlies, enhanced Northeast (NE) Monsoon and tropical cyclone occurrences. Furthermore, the eastern sections of the country which normally receive more rainfall during the last quarter of the year, could further increase the likelihood of more adverse impacts such as flood and landslides over highly vulnerable areas.

With this scenario, all concerned agencies are advised to take precautionary measures to mitigate the potential impacts of this looming La Niña.

PAGASA will closely monitor these conditions and regular updates and advisories shall be issued as appropriate.

In order to better inform/warn communities, you are reminded to disseminate this through local/community leaders and through your local media, including community radio stations. Conduct press briefings as often as needed. This local effort will complement and reinforce efforts at the national level.

Moreover, you are hereby directed to monitor the situation and undertake precautionary measures in your area of responsibility (AOR). Likewise, the public and the DRRMCs are advised to take appropriate actions.

**By Authority of the Executive Director, NDRRMC:**

  
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