

**LOCATION: Manila**

**DATE: 15 December 2014**

### Situation Overview

- Typhoon Hagupit (known locally as Ruby) first made landfall in Dolores municipality, Eastern Samar province on 6 December. The typhoon made subsequent landfalls in the provinces of Masbate, Marinduque and Batangas, as it weakened into a tropical storm then tropical depression.
- As of 22:00 10 December, the Philippines Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) advised Typhoon Hagupit (Ruby) is outside the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR) (NDRRMC Weather Bulletin 25).
- As of 14 December, the typhoon has affected approximately 3.8 million people across nine regions. Some 170,000 people remain in evacuation centres (reduced from 1.7 million on 9 December). The government has identified priority needs for the people affected as emergency shelter, food, water, WASH and logistics, mostly in the Samar region in the east of the Philippines (NDRRMC SitRep No22).
- The Government of Philippines activated their response clusters for Typhoon Hagupit. The Office of Civil Defence (OCD) remains, as secretariat of the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), in charge of the “inter-pillar coordination”. The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) is in charge of the response pillar and has deployed coordinators to affected areas. The Government of Philippines has also activated a Logistics Response Cluster under OCD lead and DSWD response pillar.
- The Government of the Philippines is leading the humanitarian response and have established their main logistics hub in Cebu. The Government established an Operational Command Centre in Borongan to coordinate the response and supply hubs in Borongan and Catarman.
- On 5 December, the acting Humanitarian Coordinator, on behalf of the Humanitarian Country Team, offered international assistance. WFP has offered to assist the Government where requested and act as co-lead, supporting the Government with logistics services, coordination & information sharing.
- The Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Clusters have not been activated for this response and coordination and assistance are being provided to the Government led response on a bilateral basis, supplemented with sectorial coordination meetings between partners and information products issued to enhance the response and information sharing.

### Land Transport

- All roads and bridges are now reported to be passable. (NDRRMC Update No.22, IMC, Plan International 13 Dec)

### Air Transport

<http://www.gov.ph/crisis-response/typhoon-ruby/rubyresponse/>

<http://www.logcluster.org/ops/ph14a>

- All airports and flights are reported to be operating as normal. Due to the backlog however, some flights may be subject to delays and cancellations.
- Tacloban Airport is reported to be operating as normal and all aircraft types are able to land however, flights from Manila to Tacloban are experiencing limited availability.

### Sea Transport

- The Philippines Coast Guard has advised that all port operations have returned to normal, no restrictions are in place for vessels sailing in the region and as of 10 December, no passengers and vessels remain stranded. (NDRRMC Update No.15). Please see the following link for further information: <http://www.coastguard.gov.ph/>

### Customs

- The One-Stop-Shop has been reactivated in Cebu airport In order to streamline the customs procedures for humanitarian organisations bringing relief goods into the Philippines. For information, see the following link: <http://customs.gov.ph/references/importing-relief-goods/>

### Coordination/Information Management/GIS

- The Philippines Typhoon Hagupit page on the Logistics Cluster website is available: <http://www.logcluster.org/ops/phl14a>
- The Philippines Logistics Capacity Assessment (LCA) has been updated: <http://dlca.logcluster.org/display/DLCA/Philippines>
- GIS mapping support including updated access constraints maps are available on <http://www.logcluster.org/ops/phl14a>
- For more information, please see the following link: [www.ndrrmc.gov.ph](http://www.ndrrmc.gov.ph)

### Other Logistics Gaps or Bottlenecks

- With multiple islands affected and results of assessments on impacts of the Typhoon continuing to be received, further access and logistics constraints may impact humanitarian operations. Organisations are encouraged to share information on logistics constraints.
- Organizations already in the country are requested to coordinate with the Government's response mechanisms, either locally or nationally, while externally placed resources should only be mobilized upon specific request by the Government.

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