

Situation Report

Country: *Philippines* Emergency: *STS Odette*

A. Location Details

1. Date and Time of Incident	16 December 2021, Thursday
2. Emergency Type	Severe Tropical Storm
3. Country/ Province/ Prefecture/ Districts affected:	Philippines/Visayas, Mindanao and Southern Luzon
4. Current Situation	<p>The center of the eye of Typhoon “ODETTE” was located based on all available data including those from Hinatuan Doppler Weather Radar at 175 km East of Surigao City, Surigao del Norte (9.7°N, 127.1°E) with maximum sustained winds of 185 km/h near the center, gustiness of up to 230 km/h, and central pressure of 940 hPa while moving west northwestward at 25km/hr.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winds may reach typhoon strength up to 185 km/h in strength within any of the areas where TCWS #4 is hoisted during the passage of the typhoon. This may cause generally heavy to very heavy damage to structures and vegetation. Destructive typhoon-force winds will be experienced within any of the areas where TCWS #3 is in effect. This may bring moderate to heavy damage to structures and vegetation. Damaging winds reaching gale- to storm-force strength will be experienced within any of the areas where TCWS #2 is in effect. This may result in generally light to moderate damage to structures and vegetation. Strong winds (strong breeze to near gale) with higher gusts will be experienced within any of the areas where TCWS #1 is currently in effect during the passage of the typhoon. This may generally bring up to very light damage to structures and vegetation. <p>On the forecast track, Typhoon “ODETTE” will continue moving generally westward or west northwestward over the Philippine Sea and the center of its eye is forecast to make its initial landfall in the vicinity of Siargao-Bucas Grande Islands or Dinagat Islands between 1:00 and 3:00 PM today. Afterwards, the center of “ODETTE” will move westward and cross several provinces in Central and Western Visayas regions before emerging over the Sulu Sea tomorrow morning. After passing near or in the vicinity of either Cuyo or Cagayancillo archipelago, “ODETTE” is forecast to cross the northern or central portion of Palawan tomorrow afternoon or evening before emerging over the West Philippine Sea.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typhoon “ODETTE” is forecast to continue intensifying until it makes landfall this afternoon. Considering the recent trend in its intensification, the typhoon may reach a pre-landfall peak intensity of 185 to 195 km/h. “ODETTE” may see some slight weakening as it crosses northeastern Mindanao, Visayas, and Palawan, but it is forecast to remain as a typhoon. Re-intensification is likely once “ODETTE” emerges over the West Philippine Sea. However, weakening may ensue beginning Saturday evening or Sunday as the typhoon becomes exposed to increasing vertical wind shear and the surge of the Northeast Monsoon.

	<p>Central Visayas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based on the latest bulletin in PAGASA, Cebu City has been listed in TCW SIGNAL #3. People are urged to prepare tightly and be aware of severe winds and rain for several hours. FLOODING IS POSSIBLE in low-lying areas and LANDSLIDES in mountainous areas. Residents living along the coastline of Barangay Poblacion, Talisay City has been advised to evacuate. <p>Eastern Visayas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-emptive evacuation was done in the towns of Guiuan, Eastern Samar and Palo, Leyte. At least 2,000 families in these 2 municipalities were already in evacuation centers. Guiuan and Palo towns are where TY Odette is set to make landfall. 99 families out of 280 have evacuated to a nearby cave in Barangay Caluwayan, Marabut, West Samar. <i>(Source: barangay officials)</i> The whole municipality of Palo and Tacloban are now experiencing power outage. An estimate of 27,000 families are now affected by the blackout. In Ormoc City, all concerned agencies were asked to designate their respective OpCen coordinators to render duty at the Ormoc CDRRM OpCen / EOC for a 12-hour shift with civic organizations included. Ormoc City CSWDO has prepared/prepositioned 1,700 food packs; and is targeting 2,000 food packs. Skeletal workforce has been organized. Food packs to be delivered today to designated prepositioned areas which includes Brgy. Liberty (100 packs), Brgy. Gaas (150 packs), Brgy. Hugpa and Brgy. Quezon, Jr. (100 packs), Brgy. Curva and Brgy. Lilo-an (300 packs). On standby are 5 dump trucks; 1 backhoe, 1 road grader, and 1 truck load of the EOC. Ormoc CHO – Medical team/emergency response on standby in 6 Districts. Emergency kits has already been prepared. Water supplies and gensets are available in all evacuation centers with 3 ambulances on standby. Ormoc BFP – 4 teams have been prepared, 2 persons are assigned at OpCen, and 1 fire truck to coordinate with ORWASA to be filled-up with potable water. Philippine Coast Guard – 30 pax are on standby; and has advised the public of “no fishing nor swimming.” DTI – Conducted price monitoring this week, price data will be used as a basis before and after the Typhoon. PNP and DTI visibility and monitoring of prices to avoid abuse/overpricing should be regularly done. <p>A-PAD PH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuous monitoring of the typhoon and close coordination with the regional platforms and national office. The emergency tents which were distributed to CCCI and its chapter members will be installed after the typhoon hits. CCCI has lend one of the emergency tents to Megawide for Carbon vendors. Davao City Chamber of Commerce is on standby and ready to distribute the medical shelter tents to the most heavily affected area.
5. Reported By:	A-PAD PH

B. Reporting Period

1. Report Number:	02
2. Report Date:	16 December 2021
3. Time Period Covered:	16 December 2021, 6pm

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C. Immediate Needs

Description of ground needs or as indicated by partners (subject to verification)

In Cebu (as indicated by partners, subject to verification)

As of to date, the local government units have prepared all the necessary equipment and resources to be utilized during evacuation of residents living in the coastlines, flood-prone and landslide-prone areas.

In Mindanao (as indicated by partners, subject to verification)

Local Emergency response team are spread thin due to large area of operation and lack of equipment and capabilities.

D. Humanitarian Response / Deployment

Description of humanitarian activities by A-PAD partners

- Closely monitoring the track of the typhoon.
- Coordination with local Chambers of Commerce, local Disaster Risk Reduction Management Offices and Civil Society Organizations.
- Installation of tents in the evacuation centers. (No photos yet)

E. Gaps & Constraints

Description of the unmet needs

- To be assess after the typhoon hits.

Track of Typhoon "ODETTE" {RAI}

