

WFP Philippines

Typhoon Rolly Situation Report #1

6 November 2020

In Numbers

1.2 million affected population in 8 regions

135,259 individuals displaced in evacuation centres

37,191 individuals displaced outside evacuation centres

Highlights

- WFP is supporting the Government of the Philippines to transport food and other essentials to affected populations. It has so far transported 14,600 family food packs from the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD).
- It plans to expand its support to the Government with logistics, food and cash assistance.

Typhoon Rolly Situation

- Typhoon Rolly (international name Goni) is the most powerful storm recorded worldwide this year. It first made landfall in the Philippines on 2 November, hitting Bato, Catanduanes; Tiwi, Albay; San Narciso, Quezon; and Lobo, Batangas.
- Prior to its landfall, the Government evacuated around 1 million residents in Bicol, saving countless lives, but Rolly severely damaged more than 10,000 houses in Catanduanes alone. Its strong winds and heavy rainfall also caused flash floods, mudflow (lahar), landslides, and storm surges in the region. It also brought widespread power outages and damaged transmission lines.
- Before leaving the Philippine Area of Responsibility, Rolly also left damage in Southern Luzon and in the south of Metro Manila.
- The Government of the Philippines is leading the emergency response and has invited humanitarian actors to complement its ongoing activities. The United Nations Country Team is developing a Humanitarian Response Plan and WFP is contributing to the operational delivery plan of the food security, nutrition, logistics, and emergency telecommunications (ETC) clusters.

WFP Response



Photo courtesy of Department of Social Welfare and Development - National Resource Operations Centre

- With funding from the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), WFP is transporting aid for the Government of the Philippines. From 2 to 5 November, WFP delivered **14,600 family food packs** for the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) to the provinces of Albay, Camarines Norte, and Camarines Sur in the Bicol Region. Each family food pack feeds a family of five for 2-3 days.

- WFP will transport **5,000 more family food packs and 500 rolls of laminated sacks** for temporary shelter to Albay on 6 November.
- WFP is also transporting **1,080 family hygiene kits** to the province of Catanduanes.



Rapid Needs Assessments

- To assess the impact of Rolly, WFP joined other humanitarian agencies in an inter-agency rapid needs assessment in Albay and Catanduanes:
 - 2-4 November WFP assessed one city and 13 municipalities in Albay, finding Malinao, Tiwi, Malilipot, and Tabaco City most severely affected. Interviews with the populations indicated immediate needs for (1) food security and nutrition, (2) water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) and health, (3) shelter and protection, (4) livelihood (cash-based intervention), and (5) communications/ community engagement.
 - In the island province of Catanduanes, electricity and network coverage have been restored in some urban areas. Findings will be available upon conclusion of the assessment.

Funding

WFP is preparing an appeal to expand its support to the Government through logistics and direct food assistance. With thousands of displaced populations in Albay and Catanduanes in need of urgent food support, WFP plans to provide food and cash-based support to immediately address the food security situation in these provinces.



Read about WFP's response with UN agencies through the eyes of WFP's assessment team in Albay, [here](#).

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