

SEVERE WEATHER BULLETIN #16

FOR: TROPICAL STORM "URDUJA" (KAI-TAK)

TROPICAL CYCLONE: WARNING

ISSUED AT 11:00 AM, 15 December 2017

(Valid for broadcast until the next bulletin to be issued at 2 PM today)

EASTERN VISAYAS PARTICULARLY SAMAR PROVINCES ARE STILL IN DANGER AS TROPICAL STORM "URDUJA" CONTINUES ITS SLOW MOVEMENT.

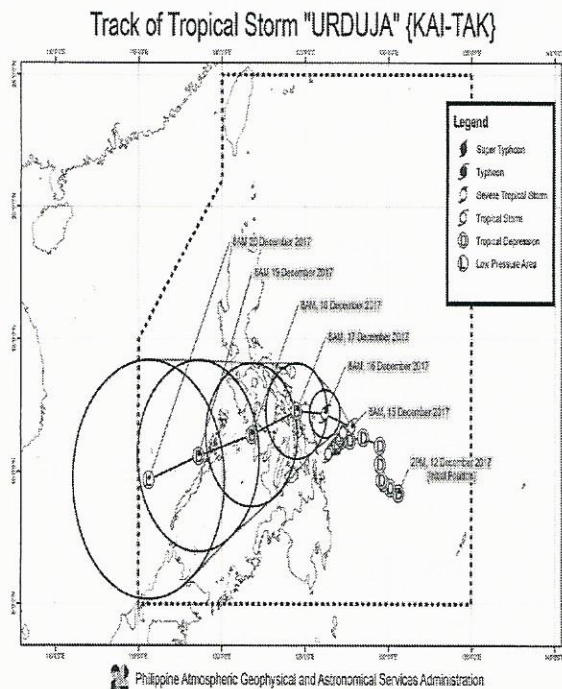
- Expected to make landfall over Northern Samar - Eastern Samar area between tomorrow morning and afternoon.
- Estimated rainfall amount is from moderate to heavy within the 500 km diameter of the Tropical Storm.
- Scattered to widespread rains will continue over Eastern Visayas and Caraga and is expected to prevail over Bicol Region and the rest of Visayas within 24 hours. Residents of these areas must undertake appropriate measures against flooding and landslides and coordinate with their respective local government and disaster risk reduction and management offices.
- Sea travel remains risky over the eastern seaboard of Bicol Region and of Visayas due to the approaching Tropical Storm.

Location of eye/center
 At 10:00 AM today, the center of Tropical Storm "URDUJA" was estimated based on all available data at **240 km East of Borongan City, Eastern Samar(11.6°N, 127.6°E).**

Strength
 Maximum sustained winds of up to **75 kph** near the center and gustiness of up to **90 kph.**

Forecast Movement
 Forecast to move **Northwest** at **5 kph.**

- Forecast Positions**
- **24 Hour (Tomorrow morning): 110 km Northeast of Borongan City, Eastern Samar(12.2°N, 126.2°E)**
 - **48 Hour (Sunday morning): In the vicinity of Calbayog City, Samar(12.3°N, 124.5°E)**
 - **72 Hour (Monday morning): 110 km Northeast of Cuyo, Palawan(11.4°N, 121.8°E)**
 - **96 Hour (Tuesday morning): 100 km North of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan(10.6°N, 118.6°E)**
 - **120 Hour (Wednesday morning): 345 km West of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan(9.7°N, 115.6°E)**

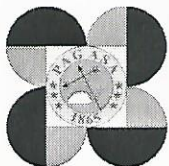


TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL

TCWS	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao	Impacts of the wind
2 (61-120 kph Expected in 24 hours)	-	Northern Samar, Eastern Samar, Samar, and Biliran	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light to Moderate damage to high risk structures; • Very light to light damage to medium-risk structures; • No damage to very light damage to low risk structures • Unshielded, old dilapidated schoolhouses, makeshift shanties, and other structures of light materials are partially damaged or unroofed. • A number of nipa and cogon houses may be partially or totally unroofed. • Some old galvanized iron (G.I.) roofs may be peeled or blown off. • Some wooden, old electric posts are tilted or downed. • Some damage to poorly constructed signs/billboards • In general, the winds may bring light to moderate damage to the exposed communities. Most banana plants, a few mango trees, ipil-ipil and similar types of trees are downed or broken. • Some coconut trees may be tilted with few others broken. • Rice and corn may be adversely affected. • Considerable damage to shrubbery and trees with some heavy-foliaged trees blown down.
Wave Height: (Open Sea) 4.1-14.0 meters Storm surge possible at coastal areas				

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1 (30-60 kph Expected in 36 hours)	Catanduanes, Camarines Sur, Albay, Sorsogon, Romblon, and Masbate including Burias and Ticao Islands	Leyte, Southern Leyte, Northern Cebu, Capiz, Aklan, and Northern Iloilo	Dinagat Islands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very light or no damage to low risk structures, • Light damage to medium to high risk structures • Slight damage to some houses of very light materials or makeshift structures in exposed communities. Some banana plants are tilted, a few downed and leaves are generally damaged • Twigs of small trees may be broken. • Rice crops, however, may suffer significant damage when it is in its flowering stage.
	Wave Height: (Open Sea) 1.25-4.0 meters			
The public and the disaster risk reduction and management council concerned are advised to take appropriate actions and watch for the next next Severe Weather Bulletin to be issued at 2 PM today.				

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