

SEVERE WEATHER BULLETIN #17

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

TROPICAL CYCLONE: WARNING

ISSUED AT 2:00 PM, 15 December 2017
 (Valid for broadcast until the next bulletin to be issued at 5 PM today)

MORE RAINS EXPECTED OVER EASTERN VISAYAS AS TROPICAL STORM "URDUJA" REMAINS QUASI- STATIONARY.

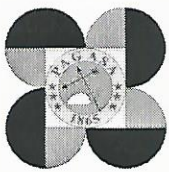
- Expected to make landfall over **Northern Samar - Eastern Samar** area between tomorrow morning and afternoon.
- Estimated rainfall amount is from moderate to heavy within the 500 km diameter of the Tropical Storm.
- **Scattered to widespread rains** will continue over Eastern Visayas and Caraga and 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 1:00 PM today, the center of Tropical Storm "URDUJA" was estimated based on all available data at 230 km East of Borongan City, Eastern Samar(11.7°N, 127.5°E).	<p style="text-align: center;">Track of Tropical Storm "URDUJA" {KAI-TAK}</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Philippine Atmospheric Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 Hour (Tomorrow morning): 125 km East Northeast of Borongan City, Eastern Samar(12.0°N, 126.5°E) • 48 Hour (Sunday morning): In the vicinity of Silvino Lobos, Northern Samar(12.3°N, 124.9°E) • 72 Hour (Monday morning): 65 km North of Cuyo, Palawan(11.4°N, 121.0°E) • 96 Hour (Tuesday morning): 120 km North of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan(10.8°N, 118.8°E) • 120 Hour (Wednesday morning): 335 km West of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan(9.8°N, 115.7°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 5 PM today.				

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