



SEVERE WEATHER BULLETIN #23

FOR: SEVERE TROPICAL STORM "VINTA" (TEMBIN) TROPICAL CYCLONE: WARNING

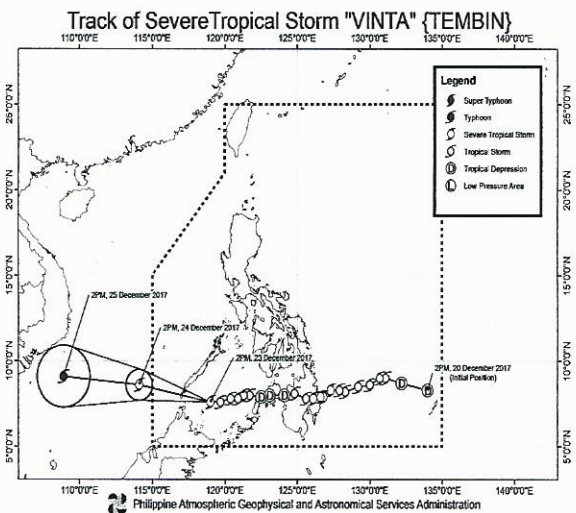
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(Valid for broadcast until the next bulletin to be issued at 8 PM today)

"VINTA" HAS INTENSIFIED INTO SEVERE TROPICAL STORM AND IS NOW THREATENING SOUTHERN PALAWAN.

- Scattered to widespread moderate to heavy rains will prevail over Palawan, while scattered light to moderate with at times heavy rains is expected over Visayas, Mindanao, and the rest of MIMAROPA within 24 hours.
- Residents of these areas must take appropriate actions against flooding and landslides, coordinate with their respective local disaster risk reduction and management offices, and continue monitoring for updates.
- Sea travel remains risky over the seaboard of areas under TCWS, the southern seaboard of Mindoro provinces and the western seaboard of Aklan and Antique due to the Severe Tropical Storm.
- Possible **landfall in Southern Palawan tonight**.
- Expected to exit the Philippine Area of Responsibility between tomorrow (24 December) morning and afternoon.

Location of eye/center	At 4:00 PM today, the center of Severe Tropical Storm "VINTA" was estimated based on all available data at 230 km South of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan or 170 km West of Balabac, Palawan (7.7°N, 118.5°E) .
Strength	Maximum sustained winds of up to 90 kph near the center and gustiness of up to 115 kph .
Forecast Movement	Forecast to move West at 22 kph .
Forecast Positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 Hour (Tomorrow afternoon): 525 km West Southwest of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR) (8.6°N, 114.1°E) • 48 Hour (Monday afternoon): 610 km West Southwest of Pagasa Island, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR) (9.1°N, 108.9°E)



TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL

TCWS	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao	Impacts of the wind
2 (61-120 kph Expected in 24 hours)	Southern Palawan	-	-	<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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TCWS	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao	Impacts of the wind
1 (30-60 kph Expected in 36 hours)	Rest of Palawan	-	-	<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 Severe Weather Bulletin to be issued at 8 PM today.				


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