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National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Center, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City, Philippines

NDRRMC UPDATE

**Severe Weather Bulletin No. 31 re
 Tropical Storm "URDUJA" (KAI-TAK)**

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I. SITUATION OVERVIEW:

"URDUJA" HAS WEAKENED INTO A TROPICAL DEPRESSION AND IS NOW OVER THE SAMAR SEA.

- **Scattered to at times widespread rains** will continue over Southern Quezon, Batangas, Mindoro Provinces, Marinduque, Romblon, and Northern Palawan including Cuyo and Calamian Group of Islands. Residents of these areas must undertake appropriate measures against flooding and landslides and coordinate with their local disaster risk reduction and management offices. Meanwhile, rains over Bicol Region and Visayas is forecast to gradually weaken.
- **All areas under Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal (TCWS) No. 2** have been downgraded to TCWS No. 1.
- **Sea travel is not advised** over the seaboard of areas under TCWS.
- Meanwhile, at **7:00 AM today**, the **Tropical Depression outside the PAR** was estimated based on all available data at **1,990 km East of Mindanao (5.0°N, 144.0°E)** with maximum sustained winds of **40 km/h near the center** and gustiness of up to 50 km/h.

Location of eye/center	At 7:00 AM today, the center of Tropical Depression "URDUJA" was estimated based on all available data at 50 km Southwest of Catarman, Northern Samar (12.2 °N, 124.3°E)
Strength	Maximum winds of up to 60 kph near the center and gustiness of up to 90 kph .
Forecast Movement	Forecast to move West at 15 kph .
Forecast Positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 Hour (Tomorrow morning): In the vicinity of Agutaya, Palawan (11.2°N, 121°E) • 48 Hour (Tuesday morning): 125 km Northwest of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (10.6°N, 118.0°E) • 72 Hour (Wednesday morning): 390 km West of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (9.4°N, 115.2°E) • 96 Hour (Thursday morning): 720 km West of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR) (8.5°N, 112.3°E)

TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL (TCWS)

TCWS	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao	Impacts of Wind
1 – (30-60 kph expected in 36 hrs)	Southern part of Occidental Mindoro, Southern part of Oriental Mindoro, Albay, Sorsogon, Masbate including Burias and Ticao Islands, and Northern part of Palawan including Cuyo and Calamian Group of Islands	Aklan, Antique, Capiz, Iloilo, Guimaras, Northern portion of Negros Occidental, Northern portion of Cebu, Northern Samar, Samar, Eastern Samar Leyte and Biliran		- 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				

ACTIONS TAKEN:

- NDRRM Operations Center disseminated Severe Weather Advisory No. **31** for **Tropical Storm “URDUJA”** to all OCD Regional Offices through SMS and facsimile and uploaded in the NDRRMC website for further dissemination to their respective local DRRM Councils from the provincial down to the municipal levels.
 - The public and DRRM Councils concerned are advised to take appropriate actions and watch for the next weather bulletin to be issued at **11:00 AM today.**
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