OPLAN TAG-ULAN: PREPAREDNESS MEASURES FOR THE RAINY SEASON CY 2018

Memorandum Circular No. 2018-73 May 18, 2018

1.0 Background

The Department of Science and Technology - Philippine Atmospheric Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (DOST-PAGASA) has released climate information for the months covering April to September 2018. According to the Seasonal Climate Outlook, the country will experience the gradual shift from Northeast (NE) monsoon to Southwest (SW) monsoon. The weather systems that may affect the country are the easterlies, ridge of high pressure area (HPA), Intertropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ), Low Pressure Area (LPA), SW monsoon (HABAGAT) and from eight (8) to twelve (12) tropical cyclones. Moreover, near average to slightly warmer than average surface temperature is expected over the coming months over most parts of the country.

2.0 Purpose

The purpose of this Circular is to enjoin all concerned to undertake necessary actions in preparation for the rainy season CY 2018.

3.0 Scope/Coverage

All Provincial Governors, City and Municipal Mayors, Punong Barangays, ARMM Regional Governor, DILG Regional Directors, DILG ARMM Regional Secretary, Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officers (LDRRMOs) and all other concerned.

4.0 Policy Content and Guidelines

4.1. In keeping with the country's vision to have "Safer, adaptive and disaster resilient Filipino communities towards sustainable development", the Department enjoins all concerned to perform the following actions in preparation for the rainy season:

4.1.1. For Local Chief Executives

4.1.1.1. Convene their respective Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Councils and conduct Pre-Disaster Risk Assessments (PDRA), especially for areas with high to very high susceptibility to floods, flash floods, rain-induced landslides

- and debris flow aided by the scaled geo-hazard maps of Department of Environment and Natural Resources - Mines and Geosciences Bureau (DENR-MGB) and other high-risk areas;
- 4.1.1.2. Prepare/Review/Update their current adopted Contingency Plans for Hydro-meteorological Hazards (copy furnished to the DILG Field Offices) and evaluate if established local preparedness measures are adequate;

- 4.1.1.3. Closely coordinate with DOST-PAGASA for timely weather updates, and with the DENR-MGB for adequate information on the threats of flooding and rainfall-induced landslides within their respective areas of responsibility;
- 4.1.1.4. Conduct monthly assessment and check the functionality, in collaboration with the DOST Regional Offices, of all established Early Warning Systems (EWS) such as Automated Rain Gauges (ARG), Water Level Stations and other local EWS within your Area of Responsibility (AOR);
- 4.1.1.5. Establish early preparedness actions for the rainy season with reference to Operation L!STO Protocols: Early Preparation for Mayors, and DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2015-76, dated 21 July 2016, on "Early Preparedness Actions to Reduce Disaster Risks".
- 4.1.1.6. Utilize the 70% component of the Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund (LDRRMF) for disaster preparedness and risk management activities with reference to NDRRMC, DBM and DILG Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1, dated dated 25 March 2013, on "Allocation and Utilization of the LDRRMF".

4.1.2. For DILG Regional Offices and DILG ARMM Regional Secretary:

- 4.1.2.1. Convene a Disaster Preparedness Committee Meeting of the Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council, for the rainy season and prepare/evaluate/update the Regional Contingency Plans for Hydro-meteorological Hazards or equivalent;
- 4.1.2.2. Closely coordinate with PAGASA for the Regional and Provincial Rainfall Forecast, and with the DENR-MGB for LGUs with high to very high susceptibility to floods and landslides within their respective areas of responsibility;
- 4.1.2.3. Monitor the preparedness actions of all Local Government Units using the template (please see annex) thru the Google Drive

System with link: https://goo.gl/dwku2o and shall be updated every Every first Monday of the month until August 2018; and

4.1.2.4 Cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular, as well as to assist the LCEs in the coordination and convening of the LDRRMCs.

5.0 References

- 5.1 DOST-PAGASA's Seasonal Climate Outlook for the period, April to September 2018:
- 5.2 Operation LISTO Manual: Checklist of Early Preparations for Mayors;
- 5.3 DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2015-76, dated 21 July 2015, titled, "Early Preparedness Actions to Reduce Disaster Risks"; and
- 5.4 NDRRMC, DBM and DILG Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1, dated 25 March 2013, titled "Allocation and Utilization of the Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund".

6.0 Effectivity

This Memorandum Circular takes effect immediately.

7.0 Approving Authority

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Officer-In-Charge

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8.0 Feedback

For related queries, kindly contact the Central Office Disaster Information Coordinating Center (CODIX) at email address dilgopcen@gmail.com or through the concerned DILG Regional Offices and/or RDRRMC.

LGU PREPAREDNESS MEASURES FOR THE RAINY SEASON 2018

Instructions:

For DILG Field Offices (MLGOOs)

- 1. Coordinate with the your Respective LCEs and L!STO Team for the preparation for the rainy season:
- 2. Accomplish the attached form and submit it to your respective Provincial Offices thru the Cluster Leaders if applicable;

	Monitoring LGU Preparedness Actions for the Rainy Season 2018		
	LGU Information:		
	City or Municipality of:		
	Province of:		
	LGU Actions	Yes	No
1	The mayor is within his/her AOR.		
	C/MLGOO informed LGU on the Memorandum Circular for Preparation for the Rainy Season 2018 with Proof of Service		
	Get Organized:		
3	Convened LDRRMC within 24 hours conduct Pre-Disaster Risk Assessment (PDRA)		
4	Reviewed LDRRM/Contingency Plans and Hazard Risk Maps		
5	Assessed Evacuation Centers		
6	Readied Pre-emptive/Forced Evacuation Plans		
7	Estimated number of Possible Evacuees		
	Organized Administrative/Logistical Support Team		
	Organized Search, Rescue and Retrieval Teams		
	Organized Security Teams		
11	Organized Medical Teams in ECs		
	Organized Clearing Operations Team		
-	Organized Monitoring and Reporting Team		
-	Readied/Activated 24/7 Emergency Operations Center		
	Organized/Activated Incident Command System		
	Conducted inventory of supplies, equipment and stockpile of goods		
17	Conducted clearing operations and assessed structures		
18	Placed adequate guide markers at strategic locations for evacuees and operations teams		
	Alert Communities:		
19	Informed Punong Barangays of weather advisory (PAG-ASA Climate Outlook: April- September 2018)		
20	Disseminated public warnings thru established warning systems and weather bulletins, especially families in identified danger zones		
21	(For coastal and island barangays) Warned fisher-folks to take precautionary measures when going out to sea		
22	(For coastal and island barangays) Advised possible prohibitions for sea voyage and fishing (include rivers) and prevented people to cross in any body of water during weather disturbances		

For DILG Regional and Provincial Office

- 1. Please use the number "1" for YES and "2" for NO ONLY for the inputs in the G-Drive;
- 2. DO NOT leave blank spaces or use any other characters; and
- 3. Only the Regional and Provincial OPCEN emails can access the data

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- 23. Advised households to prepare survival kits/ secure roof, wall, power lines
- 24. Advised possible suspension of classes for appropriate levels and suspension of work for private and government offices during weather disturbances

Execute Plans:

- 25. Prepared Evacuation Centers
- 26. Readied implementation/conduct of pre-emptive/forced evacuation
- 27. Readied implementation/conduct mass feeding
- 28. Possible cancellation of travel authorities for SAR and frontline personnel
- 29. Repacked and prepositioned food packs and non-food items for evacuees
- 30. Dispatched and prepositioned SAR/SRR, Medical, Security and Clearing Operations teams
- 31. Advised Security Teams to maintain peace and order
- 32. Secured communication, power and water supply lines
- 33. Deployed brgy health workers/volunteers to provide medical, psycho-social, and spiritual counselling to the evacuees
- 34. Coordinated with PNP and BFP for reporting of casualties (dead, missing, injured) and damage to structures, if any
- 35. C/MHO coordinated with PNP and funeral parlors to manage dead, if any

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	Other Preparedness Actions:							
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