



# SOCIAL ACTION CENTER DIOCESE OF LEGAZPI

SITUATION REPORT NO. 1

3 November 2020

**Type of Disaster: SUPER TYPHOON ROLLY / GONI**

## HIGHLIGHTS

- STY ROLLY/GONI barreled through Albay province and surrounding areas on 1 November 2020, with torrential rains and maximum sustained winds of 225 km/h near the center and gustiness of up to 310 km/h. Its first landfall was over San Miguel Island, Tabaco City, at 6:10 AM and second landfall over Tiwi, Albay, at 7:20 AM.
- The devastation was catastrophic: most houses and buildings along the typhoon path sustained damages; floodwaters inundated cities and towns; lahar overflowed rivers and buried whole sections of houses in at least three barangays in Guinobatan and one in Camalig; power and communication lines were down; several churches have sustained major damages; as of November 2, 10 casualty were recorded.
- **Identified needs are shelter assistance to help rebuild totally and critically-damaged houses of affected population; food, water, and non-food items (COVID-19 hygiene kits, water containers, utensils).**
- SAC Legazpi welcomes donations in cash and kind. Donations in kind may be delivered to local parishes or to the SAC Legazpi office at the Chancery, Albay Cathedral Compound, Legazpi City. Cash donations may be sent to **BPI account: Social Action Center – SPM, account number: 0851-0067-37.**

## A. CONTEXT

On 1 November 2020, Super typhoon Rolly (International Name: Goni) barreled through the Bicol Region with maximum sustained winds of up to 225 km/h near the center and gustiness of up to 310 km/h. The eye of the typhoon made first landfall over San Miguel Island, Tabaco City, at 6:10 AM, and its second landfall over Tiwi, Albay, at 7:20 AM. The devastation was catastrophic: most houses and buildings along the typhoon path sustained damages; floodwaters inundated cities and towns; lahar overflowed rivers and buried whole sections of houses in barangays San Francisco, Travesia, and Poblacion in Guinobatan, and Ilawod in Camalig; power and communication lines were down; the roof of the heritage church in Tabaco City was totally damaged, other churches sustained damage as well; as of November 2, nine casualty were recorded in the province by APSEMO-PDRRMC.

Albay PDRRMC-APSEMO Evacuation Report: STY ROLLY, as of 3 November 2020, 12 NN							
Municipalities	Families	Persons	Remaining Persons	Cities	Families	Persons	Remaining Persons
Tiwi	2,763	9,462	1,342	Legazpi	20,156	53,355	Decamped
Malinao	5,304	18,177	Decamped	Tabaco	16,172	64,551	3,750
Malilipot	3,225	12,295	1,225	Ligao	5,823	21,905	163

Bacacay	3,927	13,744	Decamped				
Sto. Domingo	4,565	14,884	Decamped				
Rapu-Rapu	2,007	7,447	Decamped				
Manito	1,650	6,916	Decamped				
Daraga	5,065	19,498	240				
Camalig	6,964	23,876	711				
Guinobatan	6,044	20,203	950				
Jovellar	1,357	3,850	2,593				
Pioduran	1,351	4,056	Decamped				
Oas	1,070	3,680	Decamped				
Polangui	769	3,079	Decamped				
Libon	2,174	8,200	Decamped				
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>90,386</b>	<b>309,178</b>	<b>10,974</b>

**WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH).** Tiwi has water supply but needs to be tested for safety and potability after the typhoon. Malinao, Guinobatan, Oas, Polangui, Libon have no potable tap water supply due to damaged pipelines. Deployment of mobile water purification vehicles in these areas is recommended. Otherwise mass supply of bottled water may also produce unwanted plastic waste.

**FOOD.** Families whose houses were totally damaged, especially those staying in evacuation centers, need food relief after LGU and DSWD supply has run out.

**HEALTH.** Weakening of observance of COVID-19 safety protocols have been noted in evacuation centers and communities. COVID-19 hygiene kits will be needed. Diarrhea and mosquito-borne diseases may also occur due to lack of potable water and to flood waters that have not yet subsided.

**SHELTER AND NFI.** Partial report of damaged houses: totally damaged – 1,032; partially damaged – 10,974. However, widespread damage in houses is observed in almost all cities and municipalities affected by the super typhoon. Shelter materials assistance will be crucial for bouncing back faster of households. Several communities in Guinobatan that have been buried in lahar and silt will need relocation.

**LIVELIHOOD.** Partial report of damage to agriculture is Php 663,423,576.00, damage to fisheries is Php 31,449,760.00. Most farmlands in Albay were inundated with floodwaters. Flooding has not yet subsided in low-lying areas and farmlands in Polangui, Libon, Oas, Guinobatan, Jovellar, Camalig, and Malinao. Prolonged period of power blackout will lead to loss of livelihood especially in the First and Third District of Albay.

## **B. PARTNERSHIPS AND COORDINATION**

- Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (PDRRMC), as well as several C/MDRRMCs held a zoom meeting on 29 October 2020 to prepare for STY ROLLY. Albay Public Safety Emergency and Management Office (APSEMO) provides updated evacuation report, but post-typhoon reports from C/MDRRMCs are slow to come in.
- SAC Legazpi coordinates with APSEMO, concerned LGUs, and parishes with affected population, and had initial meeting with representatives of UN-OCHA, WFP, IOM, and World Vision to establish coordination and partnership for humanitarian aid.
- SAC Legazpi has conducted a webinar on Organizing and Strengthening Parish Disaster Response Committees (PaDRReCom) on 29 October 2020, and Rapid Field Assessment in Malilipot, Tabaco City, Malinao, Tiwi, Polangui, Libon, Oas, Ligao City, and Guinobatan, on 2 November 2020.

### C. DONOR UPDATE

- Most parishes in the diocese provided shelter and soup kitchens to evacuees during the typhoon. Prior to the typhoon, Bishop Joel Baylon instructed parishes to open up their facilities to evacuees.
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### D. LOGISTICS / SECURITY

- Main highways in Albay are already passable, except portions of Tabaco-Ligao Sabloyon Road. Basud Bridge in Sto. Domingo sustained some damage to its structural integrity, thus only one-way traffic is allowed. There is also one-way traffic in Malilipot due to overflow of lahar and mud in one of its bridges. Toppled electric poles all over the province also hamper transportation.
- Electricity has not been restored in all parts of Albay province. Cellphone communication is down in most of the First and Third Districts of Albay.

### E. STAFFING

- SAC Legazpi activated its Emergency Office Protocol for **AYUDA ALBAY 2020: OPERATION STY ROLLY**, with distinct response structures and procedures, and specific staff roles and responsibilities.

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