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Highlights

According to the Government, 4.1 million people remain displaced including some 101,000 people in 381 evacuation centers as of 16 December.

- UNHCR relief supplies, provided in support of the work of the Shelter/NFI cluster, have reached some 275,000 people in areas most affected by Typhoon Haiyan.
- Roll-out of the training for the National Police took place in Roxas on 19 December with the participation of 60 male and female police officers from difference municipalities in Panay Island. The training was organized under the leadership of the national Commission of Human Rights, with trainers from Government's Department of Social Welfare Development, UNHCR, OHCHR, UNICEF and UNFPA.
- The Protection Mainstreaming Training was organized on 17
 December in Guiuan, targeting Government officials and
 humanitarian actors on the ground. The training aimed at
 introducing the concept of protection mainstreaming and
 related principles in humanitarian responses.

Funding

UNHCR's current requirements have been increased to **USD 19.2 million**. The funding allows for Protection Cluster coordination and implementation of related activities, as well as provision of basic relief items including some 120,000 plastic sheets, 10,000 tents, 88,000 blankets, 14,000 kitchen sets, 32,000 jerry cans as well as 19,000 solar lanterns.

Confirmed contributions	USD
Norway	975,638
CERF	3,002,469
Japan	2,000,000
Republic of Korea	200,000
Spain	17,135
Brazil	150,000
Germany	4,805,915
Private donors	3,251,899
Total	14,403,056

Current level of funding: 75%

Protection Cluster

The Protection Cluster is operational in 7 locations: Manila, Tacloban, Oromoc, Guiuan, Roxas, Cebu and Borongan.

- As the Protection Cluster co-lead, UNHCR has participated in the inter-cluster technical working group established to develop a common humanitarian position on Housing, Land and Property in the context of the Government policy on the use of bunkhouses as temporary shelter to decongest evacuation centers and of the policy on No-Build Zones.
- UNHCR and the Protection Cluster members are supporting the inter-agency assessment mission to remote areas in Eastern Samar which started on 19 December through the participation and assistance to the preparation of question-naires. The assessment aims to ensure that the humanitarian needs of remote communities are met.



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- UNHCR conducted protection assessment in heavily affected Bantayan island in northern Cebu, where so far very little or no assistance has been received. In particular, communities in remote highlands lack electricity and are in need of basic relief items. Also, most school structures were severely damaged. UNHCR is working with UNICEF and other partners to provide temporary roofing (plastic sheeting) and tents to the schools.
- The National Statistics Office (NSO) is conducting an assessment on the status of civil registry records in the typhoon-affected areas and the extent of the needs for the recovery of records. UNHCR is providing material support to local civil registrars and further cooperation with the NSO—such as mobile birth registration and replacement of civil documentation—is being discussed.

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