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Highlights

According to the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), of the 13.2 million people affected by Typhoon Haiyan, nearly 4.4 million people are now displaced. OCHA reports 392,470 people in 1,587 evacuation centres. Thousands of typhoon survivors are moving out of affected areas, and converging towards Manila, Cebu or Tacloban, in search of aid.

- **Monitoring and registration: Waystations** are now functional to monitor and register movements at Tacloban airport, assist people and reduce the risk of trafficking; similar waystations are being established in Ormoc and Guiuan.
- **UNHCR Protection Cluster coordination structure is almost fully deployed**, with 15 international staff deployed to date. Protection Cluster is in Tacloban and Manila with sub-units in each of the established UN hubs.
- **Airlift** : Six planes have now landed; aid supplies continue moving from Cebu to Tacloban. Distribution of relief items have taken place in and around Tacloban including to remote communities, with approx. **23,000 people reached** so far.

Funding

In response to the UN Emergency Relief Coordinator Valerie Amos' request, UNHCR has increased its response and is preparing an Appeal reflecting the new total requirements, which will be issued next week.

Confirmed contributions	USD
Norway	482,703
CERF	3,002,469
Japan	2,000,000
Private Sector	2,629,038
Total	8,114,210

Protection Cluster

The Protection Cluster is now established in Tacloban, Manila, Guiuan and Ormoc, and soon in Roxas.

Tacloban

- **Registration:** The Protection cluster project at Tacloban Airport registered some 2,000 persons leaving the disaster areas between 16-21 Nov. The project aims at assisting people upon departure, collect information on their intended destination, and preventing trafficking.
- **Assessment missions:** On 21 November, UNHCR and Save the Children joined the Multi-cluster Initial Rapid Assessment (MIRA) team with one vehicle each. The UNHCR team visited three municipalities and 3 barrangay (administrative units) for each municipality. In a few days, a more detailed MIRA exercise will take place and UNHCR is coordinating with WFP Protection Cluster contribution to the assessment format, to ensure that protection concerns are mainstreamed, as well as take part in the actual exercise in the field. Other members of the Cluster have also been invited to join.
- **Training of military personnel:** UNHCR and other Protection Cluster members (UNHCR, OHCHR, UNICEF, OCHA and Save the Children) will train the military on human rights, displacement and vulnerable groups. UNFPA will join this effort and proposed to expand this exercise to include foreign troops.
- **Mainstreaming of protection considerations:** On behalf of the Protection Cluster, UNHCR has linked up with the Shelter Cluster to bring the protection perspective into the government's policy discussions on the relocation of persons affected by the disaster. There is agreement on the need to decongest the overcrowded evacuation centres including those located in schools that need to reopen.

Manila

- During the national protection cluster meeting on 20 November, actions were decided to address issues related to lack of access in certain areas; movements of people and the need of tracking; closing of evacuation centres; potential risks of trafficking and vulnerable groups; protection against sexual exploitation. A separate but coordinated meeting schedule between the Cluster and the subclusters (Child protection, GBV) was agreed upon.

Guiuan

- **Assessment missions:** Protection Cluster co-lead visited the municipalities of Guiuan and Marabut on Samar island on November 21, together with the UNHCR protection team deployed in Guiuan. In addition to assessing the material needs for distribution of the non-food items, the team was able to identify and discuss with local authorities various protection issues needing urgent attention, such as unaccompanied minors; risks faced by the affected population; special needs of elderly, disabled and other vulnerable groups; prevention of sexual and gender based violence; and the need for a registration system for people leaving Guiuan. Initial assessments indicate that in Eastern Samar, displaced persons are living in overcrowded camps without separate space for women and children. The lack of shelter, electricity/lights and fuel have also been listed as major concerns.
- **Unaccompanied minors:** A growing number of displaced children are arriving in Cebu province from Leyte and Samar. Identification, documentation, tracing and reunification for unaccompanied and separated children is a priority. Several cases of unaccompanied or separated children have been brought to UNHCR's attention.
- **Protection of minorities:** The team identified a group of indigenous people (50 families), the Mamanwa tribe in Marabut municipality who are not registered with the authorities and therefore may not receive assistance (and a priority group according to the UN Guiding Principles on internally displaced people). The Protection Cluster immediately brought this to the attention of the Deputy Humanitarian Coordinator, ICRC, OCHA, IOM, UNICEF and WFP and the Army as one of the protection concerns. This will be further discussed in the Protection Cluster at the Guiuan, Tacloban and Manila levels.

Ormoc

- **Distribution of items:** For the first time on 22 Nov. UNHCR was able to distribute 130 plastic sheets and jerrycans to families who had not yet received any assistance, through Shelter for Humanity. The team is working on increasing storage capacity in Ormoc to receive more humanitarian supplies for distribution.

Airlift—summary of items sent

Below is a summary of items that have reached Cebu on flights 1 to 6 + shared flight + trucks from Cotabato. F



Cargo arriving at Cebu military airport on 21.11.
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Item	International Airlifts	National by truck	Total
Blankets	52,519	1,400	53,919
Tents	6,440		6,440
Plastic Sheets	16,000	1,400	17,400
Jerry Cans	32,599	2,000	34,599
Plastic Rolls	500		500
Kitchen sets	12,099	1,176	13,275
Hygiene kits		1,400	1,400
Mosquito nets		600	600
Mosquito domes	20		20
Sleeping mat		1,900	1,900
Emergency Travel Kit	20		20
Vehicles	5		5

Aid distribution



UNHCR is cooperating with the government, the shelter and logistics clusters, and other agencies as well as bilateral aid providers, to ensure that aid effectively reaches the affected populations and in particular those with specific needs. The port of Bolan is dedicated to humanitarian cargo, thereby facilitating the transport of goods from Manila to affected areas. Dispatch from Cebu to Tacloban is continuing by trucks and barges and aid is now flowing fast from Cebu airport to Tacloban and from Tacloban to many of the communities in need. New areas of distribution are being considered to gradually access more remote areas that have not yet been reached.

Plastic sheets distribution to residents of Barangay 89 in Tacloban City.
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Date	Source	Aid distributed	Location	Beneficiaries
14/15 Nov	In country stock Mindanao	2,000 kitchen sets, 1,400 hygiene kits, 600 mosquito nets, 1,400 plastic sheets 1,400 blankets, 1,900 sleeping mats	Tanauan Leyte	7,000 people
16 Nov	Locally procured	15 Tents, 100 cots and mattresses	Tacloban	Typhoon-affected DSWD staff
17 Nov.	1-2 Aircrafts	69 family tents,	Tanauan, Leyte	7,000 people
		1,160 plastic sheets, 120 blankets	Barangay 88, Tacloban	
		15 tents	DSWD Tacloban	
		25 plastic sheets	Dep. of Health	
		5 plastic sheets	Canadian Red Cross	
19 Nov.	1-2 aircrafts	815 plastic sheets, 100 blankets	Barangay 93, Tacloban	4,000 people
20 Nov	1-2 Aircrafts	2,000 Plastic sheets	San Jose, Leyte	4,050 people
20/21 Nov Nov	1-2 aircrafts	4 tents Protection cluster registration project (school)	Tacloban airport	TBD
22 Nov.	3 rd aircraft	130 plastic sheets and 130 jerry cans	Ormoc - Shelter for Humanity	650
Total		2,000 kitchen sets, 1,400 hyg.kits, 4,350 plastic sheets, 1,620 blankets, 1,900 mats. 142 tents		23,020

Staff deployments / re-deployments

Below is a summary of international and national deployments / re-deployments to date

A total of 47 international (15) and national (32) staff have been deployed / re-deployed to support the emergency response.

UNHCR now has : 20 staff in Manila, 7 in Cebu, 8 in Tacloban, 3 in Ormoc and 3 in Guiuan (and 6 in Cotabato / Davao).

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