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Department of Education
CARAGA REGION

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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To: Schools Division Superintendents
Division DRRM Coordinators
Division Engineers
Division ADM Coordinators
All Others Concerned

PREPAREDNESS MEASURES AND RESPONSE ACTIONS FOR
TROPICAL CYCLONE "TINO"

1. The Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA)-Caraga, on November 2, 2025, at 5:30AM, advised that the **Tropical Storm "Tino"**, formerly TS Kalmaegi has already entered the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR).
2. This tropical cyclone (TC) is forecast to move generally west northwestward. Inside PAR and while over the Philippine Sea, TS Tino will move more westward in the evening.
3. On the forecast track, **this TC may make its initial landfall over Eastern Visayas or Caraga Region between Monday (03 November) evening and Tuesday (04 November) morning.** Afterwards, the TC will traverse much of Visayas, the northern portion of Sulu Sea, and the northern portion of Palawan, before emerging over the West Philippine Sea on Wednesday (05 November) morning or afternoon. Close approach over Kalayaan Islands on Wednesday is also not ruled out currently.
4. This TC is forecast to intensify before making landfall on Monday evening or Tuesday morning and **may reach severe tropical storm category within 24 hours and become a typhoon on Monday morning or afternoon.** Rapid intensification is not ruled out before the initial landfall which is likely to happen while the TC is at or near its peak intensity (currently forecasted at around 140 km/h, may still change in succeeding bulletins). Furthermore, current scenario shows that the TC will traverse the country and emerge over the West Philippine Sea as a typhoon.
5. **Wind Signal No. 1** will hoist over **Eastern Visayas and Caraga** by Sunday afternoon. Based on the intensity forecast, the highest wind signal that will be hoisted is Wind Signal No. 4. Heavy rainfall may begin over Eastern Visayas and Caraga on Monday morning due to TC Kalmaegi.
6. Due to the combined effects of the approaching TC and a possible Northeast Monsoon surge, rough sea conditions may be experienced over the northern, western, and eastern seaboard of Luzon and the eastern seaboard of Visayas and Mindanao within the next 3 days.

7. Storm Surge Warnings will likely be issued earlier on in anticipation of potential threat of coastal flooding due to storm surge. The highest level of storm surge warning (i.e., red warning level) will likely be issued in view of the expected peak intensity of the approaching TC.

8. Considering these developments, all the field offices and schools are **advised to conduct preparedness measures and response activities in their area of responsibility such as, but not limited to:**

- a. Physical and operational measures
 - i. Secure structures: Anchor ground-level facilities with guy wires to increase stability during strong winds or tremors.
 - ii. Elevate storage: Store important records, equipment, and learning materials in elevated rooms to protect them from floods and rain.
 - iii. Maintain supplies: Keep first-aid kits, flashlights, megaphones, and other emergency supplies in easily accessible locations.
 - iv. Prepare classrooms: Designate classrooms as potential evacuation centers and ensure keys are accessible.
 - v. Turn off electricity: Unplug electrical equipment and appliances when not in use.
- b. Coordination and communication
 - i. Coordinate with LGUs: Work closely with Local Government Units (LGUs) for issuances of class suspensions, safety instructions, use of classrooms as evacuation areas, and other weather updates.
 - ii. Activate the School DRRM Team: conduct preparedness measures in schools, monitor weather bulletins, and comply with LGU safety and preparedness advisories.
 - iii. Submit reports: School DRRM teams must submit reports of preparedness and response actions taken before, during, and after the hazard, specifically on damages in school facilities and affected learners and personnel. Reports must be submitted to their respective Division DRRM Coordinators.
- c. Learning continuity and safety policies
 - i. Prioritize safety: Ensure safety before, during, and after emergencies to allow for the resumption of classes.
 - ii. Follow policies: Strictly observe DepEd policies on class suspensions or school-based decisions in coordination with LGUs.
 - iii. Implement learning continuity: establish Alternative Delivery Mode (ADM) and ensure availability of learning materials for prolonged class suspension.
- d. Post-disaster activities
 - i. Organize teams to conduct detailed damage assessments in school facilities, class suspensions, classrooms used as evacuation areas, affected learners and personnel, and ADM implemented.
 - ii. Monitor and assist in the conduct of rehabilitation and recovery interventions

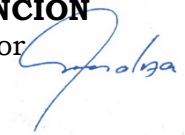
9. Division level reports shall utilize the Incident Management Reporting System (IMRS) templates of the Central Office. Reports shall also include photos of the damages and actions taken by the schools and LGU advisories on class/work suspensions.

10. For other details on disaster preparedness, refer to DO No. 022, s. 2024, "Revised Guidelines on Class and Work Suspension in Schools During Disasters and Emergencies".

11. For immediate dissemination.

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Encl.: None

Reference: DO 022, s. 2024

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