

# IOM Micronesia TYPHOON MAYSAK

SITUATION REPORT

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# **HIGHLIGHTS**



USAID plastic sheeting is used to cover a family home in Faderai, Yap, FSM © IOM Micronesia 2015

- Over 28,600 typhoon affected individuals in Chuuk State\*
- Over 1,100 typhoon -affected individuals in Yap State\*
- \* According to GoFSM and USG PDA April 13, 2015

- ♦ The International Organization for Migration (IOM) Micronesia continues to work under the leadership of the State and FSM National Governments, and in tandem with local partners, to identify and meet immediate humanitarian needs emerging from Typhoon Maysak.
- ♦ In Chuuk, IOM is supporting the Chuuk State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) priorities of food and shelter materials.
- ♦ In Yap, IOM's continues to focus on the distribution of locally-procured food and decentralized water production, as prioritized by the Disaster Coordination Officer and other government partners.
- ♦ On April 28, President Barack Obama issued a Presidential Disaster Declaration (PDD) in response to the damage caused by Typhoon Maysak in the FSM. The PDD enables US funding to be released for the reconstruction and restoration of housing and public infrastructure.

### **Overview of Assistance to date**

### **Chuuk State**

- IOM has begun field testing a digital geo-spatial assessment tool for household -level damage assessments and to evaluate community water and agricultural needs.
- The completed the deployment of four reverse osmosis portable units, each capable of producing 360 gallons per day, in Onoun, Onou, Makur, Unanu and Piherarh in the Northwest. During the distribution on the MV Indies Trader soap, plastic sheeting, and jerry cans were also distributed.
- IOM continues to working under the direction of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to coordinate humanitarian assistance and response. The national -owned vessel MV Caroline Voyager has begun distribution to the Northwest. IOM is providing approximately 50 tons of supplemental food assistance funded by USAID.
- Loading of Chuuk State vessel the MV Chief Mailo is to begin on May 23 with government food relief supplies and approximately 15 tons of supplemental food assistance funded by USAID.



IOM Disaster Response Team and FSM Government work together to distribute food and non-food relief items to Chuuk Lagoon Islands © IOM Micronesia 2015

- 840 pieces of plastic sheeting and rope, 14,873 bars of soap, 3075 jerry cans and approximately 65 tons of food relief have been distributed utilizing the MV Indies Trader in the Lagoon Islands and trucks on Weno.
- IOM continues to coordinate closely with EOC to meet water needs in the Chuuk Lagoon Island through water barge delivery (30,282 gallons total) and has begun rain water harvesting system repairs to assist communities in returning to normal drinking water practices.



IOM Disaster Response Team and CPUC staff train community members of all ages how to operate a RO unit in the Northwest Region of Chuuk, FSM © IOM Micronesia

## **Yap State**

- IOM completed the distribution of approximately 26 tons of food relief items on the MV Hapilmogol for Ulithi Atoll, Fais, and Feraulap.
- In addition, IOM distributed **469 hygiene kits and 500 jerry cans** on the *MV Hapimogol* for Ulithi Atoll, Fais, and Feraulap.
- USAID plastic sheeting is used to cover Asor Men's House in Yap, FSM © IOM Micronesia 2015

- In close collaboration with the affected islands and YSPSC Ulithi, IOM provided trainings and installed **5 reverse**Osmosis (ROPUs) portable units on Ulithi Atoll utilizing the MV Hapilmogol for transportation.
- IOM continues to liaise with the DCO and Governor's Office on providing progress and coordination of response activities.
- to prepare the next distribution plans for the next scheduled ship to set sail for the outer islands on June 6<sup>th</sup>.

# **Background**

Between March 28 – April 1, Typhoon Maysak crossed directly over Chuuk State and increased in strength as it continued across Yap State. Governor Elimo of Chuuk and Governor Ganngiyan of Yap declared a State of Emergency on March 30 and April 1, respectively. President Mori issued a Presidential emergency declaration for both locations and a combination of state, national and international human and financial resources are being mobilized to meet urgent humanitarian and financial needs. President Barack Obama signed a Presidential Disaster Declaration on April 28.

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