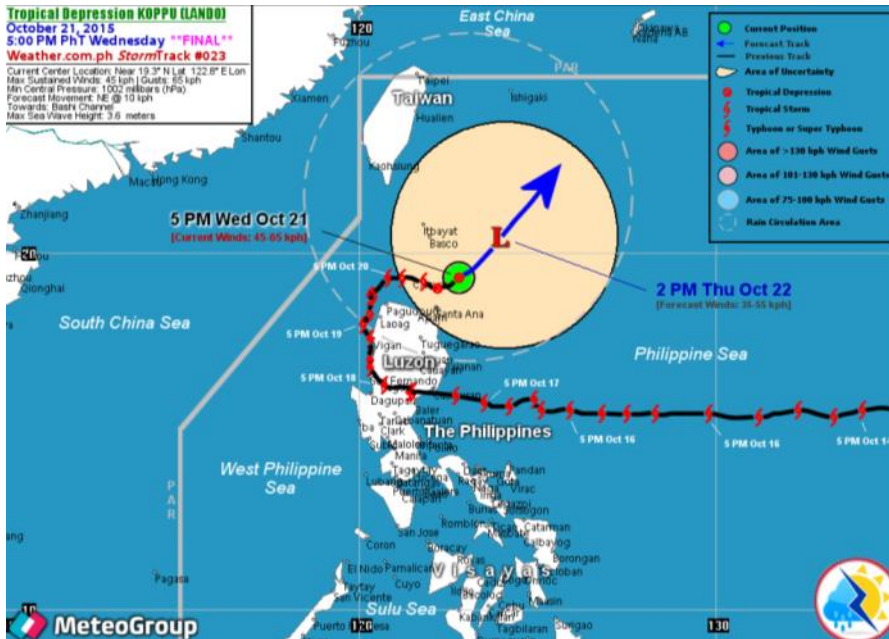




# PHILIPPINES: TYPHOON KOPPU (LANDO)

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Location and path of Typhoon Koppu (Lando) as of 21 October 2015, 6:45 pm Map Credit: Weather.com.ph

### Highlights

■ According to the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), as of 21 October 2015, 194,189 families or 905,928 are affected of which 25,363 families or 112,753 persons are inside 508 evacuation centres and 73,055 families or 331,345 persons are outside evacuation centres.

■ On 21 October, the national government through Secretary Soliman (Department of Social Welfare and Development), Undersecretary Pama (NDRRMC) and Secretary Mel Sarmiento (Department of Interior and Local Government) visited Casiguran in Aurora Province, which is recognized as the ground zero. The Humanitarian Country Team (HCT) was represented by UNOCHA and IOM.

■ The Mayor of Casiguran, Mr. Reynaldo Bitong announced during a press briefing that 70% of the total population of 44,740 households (201,233 individuals) have been affected and are in immediate need of emergency shelter support.

■ DSWD officially requested IOM to support the Typhoon Koppu/Lando response operations, particularly for: (1) camp coordination and camp management (CCCM) support in the conduct of the Rapid Disaster Assessment and Needs Analysis (RDANA) in Casiguran, Aurora; (2) Assistance in the displacement tracking of affected communities; (3) Capacity building support for the training of the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officers (MSWDOs) and local camp managers; (4) Protection support for the sectors that are most affected and vulnerable; and (5) Provision of 22,000 rolls of tarpaulin; 12,000 hygiene kits; and solar lamps.

### Situation Overview

- ◆ According to the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA), tropical storm Koppu (Lando) steadily weakened to a low pressure area as it slowly moved northeast across Luzon and away from the Luzon island. All public storm warning signals were lifted.
- ◆ First results from the observations during the visit to Casiguran highlight damage roof of houses and damage of agriculture and infrastructure, with a significant number of damaged houses and public facilities. According to the NDRRMC, Typhoon Koppu damaged more than 6,940 houses in Regions I, II, III and CAR.
- ◆ The Governor of Aurora Province, Mr. Gerardo Naveras, also confirmed that the entire province suffered much damage in agriculture, particularly in the coconut and banana sectors.
- ◆ The NDRRMC estimates PHP 6.6 billion (USD 130 million) losses in agriculture and another PHP 559 million (USD 12 million) in infrastructure across the affected regions.



NDRRMC meeting with government and humanitarian partners  
 Photo Credit: NDRRMC

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## Situation Overview (cont.)

- ◆ The Typhoon Koppu (Lando) Task Force Center will be set up in Casiguran to coordinate the emergency response. The Center will be led by the local Office of Civil Defense (OCD) and will only last for 15 days.
- ◆ DSWD's Secretary Soliman announced that the government is sending aid to Casiguran. DSWD aims to distribute 16,000 food packs in Casiguran alone.
- ◆ Secretary Soliman also mentioned IOM's support in terms of the provisions of 6,000 kits of shelter-grade tarps with ropes, which should arrive in Casiguran on 23 October. Some of these kits will be donated to Department of Health (DOH) to be used as temporary cover for the damaged roof of the lone district hospital.

**Table 1. Figures on evacuees, evacuation centres and damage to houses**

Region	No. of evacuation centres	Displaced people			Total population	Houses	
		In evacuation centres	Not in evacuation centres	Total		Destroyed	Partially damaged
I (Ilocos Region)	48	5,960	11,947	17,907	4.7 million	161	1,480
II (Cagayan Valley)	123	10,544	147,488	158,032	3.2 million	8	158
III (Central Luzon)	319	93,739	167,380	261,119	10.1 million	354	4,411
CAR	22	2,579	3,813	6,392	1.6 million	17	358
<b>Total</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>112,822</b>	<b>330,628</b>	<b>443,450</b>	<b>19.7 million</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>6,407</b>

Source: NDRRMC SitRep No.11, 21 October 2015, 6 a.m.; National Statistics Office, 2010 Census of Population and Housing

Table Credit: UNOCHA

## Immediate Needs and Concerns

- ◆ During the first visit to Casiguran, it was identified that immediate needs are the provision of food packs, medicines and emergency shelter materials including corrugated galvanized iron (CGI) sheets.
- ◆ There is no potable water available, only deep well water is the current source, which is a concern.
- ◆ Need for medicines for upper respiratory tract infections, asthma, water-borne diseases, among others.
- ◆ The Casiguran district hospital is damaged the DOH is looking for support to refurbish the building.
- ◆ Currently, 107 schools are used as evacuation centres. This may prolong the class suspension period in some regions. UNICEF is therefore deploying temporary classrooms while the World Food Programme (WFP) will set up rub halls for warehouses.
- ◆ Livelihood support is needed and it should include starter seeds, cash crops, repair of motorized banca (a type of outrigger boat) and fishing nets.



Damaged houses in Casiguran, Aurora Province @IOM 2015

## IOM's Response

- ◆ IOM staff are joining a five-day rapid damage and needs assessment mission (RDANA) of Central Luzon, which was organized by the NDRRMC and which started on 22 October. IOM staff will particularly provide CCCM and protection support.
- ◆ IOM is currently transporting six trucks with 5,240 hygiene kits and two trucks with 6,000 tarpaulins and ropes from IOM's warehouse in Tacloban to the affected areas. One additional truck with 760 hygiene kits will follow within this week.
- ◆ Based on DSWD's Disaster Response Operations Monitoring and Information Center (DROMIC) report #25 as of 22 October, IOM's Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) will prioritize provinces with the highest numbers of active evacuation centres to gather data on the affected population and on the most pressing needs and concerns.
- ◆ As part of the co-chairmanship of the Community of Practice (CoP) on Community Engagement Working Group, IOM has been coordinating with UNOCHA and CoP members on how to provide emergency communications in the affected regions. IOM provided transportation support to SkyEye to facilitate their aerial assessments, as well as to First Response Radio - FEBC Philippines, so that they can set-up radio networks.

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