



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VIII
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF NORTHERN SAMAR

DRRM Advisory No. 01, s. 2025
September 23, 2025

**REITERATION OF PREPAREDNESS MEASURES OF SCHOOLS AND OFFICES
DUE TO UPCOMING TROPICAL STORM “OPONG”**

Per recent PAG-ASA DOST Tropical Cyclone Advisory #1 dated September 23, 2025, issued at 11:00 A.M, valid until 11:00 PM, the tropical depression (TD) is forecast to move generally westward for the next 36 hours and will enter the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR) this afternoon or evening and will be given a local name “OPONG”.

Inside PAR, OPONG is expected to move generally west-northwestward as it approaches Eastern Visayas – Southern Luzon area by Friday (26 September) morning. It is expected to cross the Southern Luzon area (Bicol Region – CALABARZON – MIMAROPA) between Friday and Saturday (27 September) and may exit the PAR by Saturday evening. Note that there is still a high uncertainty in the scenario, and the track may still change, but still within the area of probability. This weather disturbance will steadily intensify while over the Philippine Sea and may reach tropical storm category by tomorrow (24 September). Further intensification is not ruled out. Based on the intensity forecast, hoisting of Wind Signal No. 2 over portions of Southern Luzon and Eastern Visayas is likely. However, further intensification may result in hoisting of Wind Signal No. 3 (highest possible signal).

In accordance to DepEd Order 33 s. 2021, which states the School-Based Disaster Preparedness and Response Measures for Tropical Cyclones, Flooding, and other Weather-Related Disturbances and Calamities, everyone is advised to strictly follow preparedness, measures, and safety protocols, to wit:

1. The School Head shall be primarily responsible for the planning, implementation, and monitoring of school-based disaster preparedness measures; as such, accountability for impacts and damages to school facilities and resources **due to negligence** and/or non-compliance to disaster preparedness measures shall rest upon the School head. Performance reports on DRRM shall be included in the School Head’s permanent records;
2. School heads, with the support of their SDRRM Coordinators and Teams, shall undertake minimum measures for disaster preparedness;



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3. Take necessary steps to secure weak parts of School Buildings against heavy rains, floodings, and strong winds including school signs, elevated water tanks, and flagpoles. Single level schools or makeshift buildings built at ground level may be anchored by guy wires to strengthen the stability of the structure.
4. Prune/ trim trees that may cause harm to people or damage structures or properties in the event of any weather disturbances;
5. Switch off electrical lines; and
6. Safeguard (e.g., place inside containers to protect against water) and transfer education resources and vital records to a pre-identified storage area.
7. In case of damages, schools must submit a RADAR report within 72 hours to the DepEd Division Office (Social Mobilization & Networking Unit) or via email at drmm.norte@gmail.com, see attached enclosure.
8. For more information, refer to DO 33, s. 2021.

All offices are advised to take precautionary measures to secure DepEd investments such as computers or other electronic devices, furnitures, documents and records, as well as the lives of all personnel and learners.

Further, the field is advised to shift to modular instructions per D.O. 22, s. 2024, if classes are suspended, teaching and non-teaching personnel are required to secure all DepEd properties and related documents in preparation for the coming storm.


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Department of Education
Revised Rapid Assessment of Damages Report (RADaR) 1
School-Level

Instructions to School Heads:

1. Accomplish this form on rapid assessment of damages. Do not leave anything blank.
2. Submit the form as soon as possible through any of the following means:
 - a. E-mail to Central Office via drmo@deped.gov.ph with your respective Division Office should be carbon copied in the e-mail
 - b. Fax to Central Office (02-637-4933) and respective Division Planning Office
 - c. Send via SMS/text message to 09288718053 or 09152053244 strictly following the format (NOTE - No space between commas):
RADAR1,<Name of incident>,<School ID>,<Incurred damages because of incident (Yes/No)>,<Number of totally damaged classrooms>,<Number of classrooms with major damage (Cannot be repaired by school)>,<Number of classrooms with minor damage (Can all be repaired by school)>,<Number of makeshift classrooms needed (For class resumption)>,<Number of classrooms used as evacuation center>,<Are there still evacuees after three days? (Yes/No)>,<Name of sender>,<Position>
e.g. **RADAR1,Luis,300461,Yes,3,4,1,2,3,Yes,Juan Dela Cruz,Principal**
 RADAR1,Mayon,135642,No,0,0,0,0,0,No,Maria Santos,MT
3. For inquiries about this form, contact DRRMO at 02-637-4933 and 02-635-3764.
Or thru text 09288718053 and 09152053244

Division: NORTHERN SAMAR
School ID:
School Name:
Municipality:

Name of incident (For tropical cyclones, please indicate name of cyclone)	
Incurred damages because of incident (Yes/No)	
Number of totally damaged classrooms (Needs to be Replaced)	
Number of classrooms with major damage (Needs major repair that cannot be repaired by school)	
Number of classrooms with minor damage (Needs minor repair that can all be repaired by school)	
Number of makeshift (temporary) classrooms needed (For class resumption)	
Number of classrooms used as evacuation center (From Day 1)	
Are there still evacuees after three days? (Yes/No)	

Submitted by:
Signature
Full Name
Position
Date
Contact Number



Department of Education
Revised Rapid Assessment of Damages Report (RADaR) 2
School-Level

Instructions to School Heads:

4. Accomplish this form on rapid assessment of damages. Do not leave anything blank.
5. Submit the form as soon as possible through any of the following means:
- a. E-mail to Central Office via drmo@deped.gov.ph with your respective Division Office should be carbon copied in the e-mail
 - b. Fax to Central Office (02-637-4933) and respective Division Planning Office
 - c. Send via SMS/text message to 09288718053 or 09152053244 strictly following the format (NOTE - No space between commas): **RADAR2,<Name of Incident>,<School ID>,<Number of deceased personnel>,<Number of injured personnel>,<Number of missing personnel>,<Number of displaced personnel>,<Number of damaged school furniture>,<Number of damaged textbooks>,<Number of damaged desktop computers>,<Name of Sender>,<Position>**
e.g. **RADAR2,Luis,300461,0,1,0,1,23,45,0,Juan Dela Cruz,Principal**
 RADAR2,Mayon,135642,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,Maria Santos,MT
6. For inquiries about this form, contact DRRMO at 02-637-4933 and 02-635-3764.

Division:
School ID:
School Name:
Municipality:

Name of incident (For typhoons, indicate the name of typhoon)	
Number of deceased personnel (DepEd teaching and non-teaching personnel)	
Number of injured personnel (DepEd teaching and non-teaching personnel)	
Number of missing personnel (DepEd teaching and non-teaching personnel)	
Number of displaced personnel (DepEd teaching and non-teaching personnel)	
Number of damaged school furniture (armchairs)	
Number of damaged textbooks	
Number of damaged desktop computers	
Number of damaged toilets	
Number of damaged Handwashing Facilities	

Submitted by:
Signature:
Full Name:
Position:
Date :
Contact Number :