DSWD DROMIC Report #2 on the Armed Conflict in Escalante City, Negros Occidental

as of 23 April 2023, 6PM

I. Situation Overview

On 20 April 2023 at around 12PM, an armed conflict transpired in Escalante City, Negros Occidental between the troops of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) and members of the New People's Army (NPA).

Source: DSWD Field Office (FO) VI

II. Status of Affected Areas and Population

A total of **187 families** or **599 persons** are affected in **three (3) barangays** in **Escalante City, Negros Occidental** (see Table 1).

Table 1. Number of Affected Families / Persons

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NUMBER OF AFFECTED		
	Barangays	Families	Persons
GRAND TOTAL	3	187	599
REGION VI	3	187	599
Negros Occidental	3	187	599
City of Escalante	*3*	*187*	*599*

Note: Ongoing assessment and validation being conducted.

Source: DSWD FO VI

III. Status of Displaced Population

a. Inside Evacuation Center

A total of **187 families** or **599 persons** sought temporary shelter in **three (3) evacuation centers** in **Escalante City** (see Table 2).

Table 2. Number of Displaced Families / Persons Inside Evacuation Center

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NUMBER OF EVACUATION CENTERS (ECs)		NUMBER OF DISPLACED INSIDE ECs			
			Families		Persons	
	CUM	NOW	CUM	NOW	CUM	NOW
GRAND TOTAL	3	-	187	-	599	-
REGION VI	3	-	187	-	599	-
Negros Occidental	3	-	187	-	599	-
City of Escalante	*3*	*-*	*187*	*-*	*599*	*-*

Note: Ongoing assessment and validation being conducted.

Source: DSWD FO VI

IV. Cost of Humanitarian Assistance Provided

A total of **₱591,779.50** worth of assistance was provided by **DSWD** to the affected families (see Table 3).

Table 3. Cost of Assistance Provided to Affected Families / Persons

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	COST OF ASSISTANCE				
	DSWD	LGU	NGOs	OTHERS	GRAND TOTAL
GRAND TOTAL	**591,779.50**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**591,779.50**
REGION VI	**591,779.50**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**591,779.50**
Negros Occidental	**591,779.50**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**591,779.50**
City of Escalante	*591,779.50*	-	-	-	*591,779.50*

Note: The reflected DSWD assistance only covers the cost of relief items distributed to different affected areas.

Source: DSWD FO VI

V. Response Actions and Interventions

a. Standby Funds and Prepositioned Relief Stockpile

OFFICE	STANDBY FUNDS	STOCKPILE			TOTAL STANDBY FUNDS & STOCKPILE
		FAMILY FOOD PACKS (FFPs)		OTHER FOOD AND NON-FOOD ITEMS (FNIs)	
		QUANTITY	TOTAL COST		
TOTAL	**33,483,141.23**	**90,328**	**56,622,112.24**	**207,241,769.43**	**297,347,022.90**
DSWD CO	28,483,141.23		-	-	28,483,141.23
NRLMB NROC	-	11,977	7,075,443.76	144,395,172.12	151,470,615.88
NRLMB VDRC	-	31,128	21,756,644.48	22,584,101.66	44,340,746.14
DSWD FO VI	5,000,000.00	47,223	27,790,024.00	40,262,495.65	73,052,519.65

Note: The Inventory Summary is as of 23 April 2023, 4PM.

Source: DSWD-DRMB and DSWD-NRLMB

1. Standby Funds

- ₱28.48 million Quick Response Fund (QRF) at the DSWD Central Office.
- ₱5 million available at DSWD FO VI.

2. Prepositioned FFPs and Other Relief Items

- 43,105 FFPs available in Disaster Response Centers; of which, 11,977 FFPs are at the National Resource Operations Center (NROC), Pasay City and 31,128 FFPs are at the Visayas Disaster Resource Center (VDRC), Mandaue City.
- 47,223 FFPs available at DSWD FO VI.
- ₱207.24 million worth of other FNIs at NROC, VDRC, and DSWD FO VI warehouses.

b. Food and Non-food Items (FNIs)

DATE	ACTIVITIES
22 April 2023	• DSWD FO VI through the Disaster Response Management Division (DRMD) and in coordination with the City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO) and the City Action Team of Escalante facilitated the provision of FFPs, Sleeping Kits and Hygiene Kits to the families affected by the armed conflict.

c. Other Activities

DATE	ACTIVITIES
23 April 2023	• DSWD FO VI continuously coordinates with the Negros Occidental Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office (PSWDO), City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO) of Escalante, and other concerned offices for significant disaster updates and for the augmentation requests.

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The Disaster Response Operations Monitoring and Information Center (DROMIC) of DSWD-DRMB is closely coordinating with DSWD FO VI for significant disaster response updates and assistance provided.

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