

DSWD DROMIC Report #1 on the Fire Incident in Brgy. Mercedes, City of Catbalogan, Western Samar as of 19 January 2024, 6PM

I. Situation Overview

On 13 January 2024 at around 8:53 AM, a fire incident occurred at Brgy. Mercedes, City of Catbalogan, Western Samar. The fire was declared out at around 9:15 AM.

Source: DSWD Field Office (FO) VIII

II. Status of Affected Areas and Population

A total of **five (5) families** or **31 persons** are affected in **Brgy. Mercedes, City of Catbalogan, Western Samar** (see Annex A).

III. Status of Displaced Population

Outside Evacuation Center

There are **five (5) families** or **31 persons** temporarily staying with their relatives or friends (see Annex C).

IV. Damaged Houses

A total of **five (5) houses** were damaged; of which, **one (1)** is **totally damaged** and **four (4)** are **partially damaged** in **Brgy. Mercedes, City of Catbalogan, Western Samar** (see Annex E).

V. Cost of Humanitarian Assistance Provided

A total of **₱36,846.80** worth of assistance was provided by the DSWD to the affected families (see Annex F).

VI. Response Actions and Interventions

a. Standby Funds and Prepositioned Relief Stockpile

OFFICE	STANDBY FUNDS	STOCKPILE			TOTAL STANDBY FUNDS & STOCKPILE
		FAMILY FOOD PACKS		OTHER FOOD AND NON-FOOD ITEMS (FNIs)	
		QUANTITY	TOTAL COST		
TOTAL	1,484,153,206.05	396,920	262,766,374.79	920,877,817.01	2,667,797,397.85
DSWD CO	1,479,656,269.45		-	-	1,479,656,269.45
NRLMB NROC	-	219,738	150,393,167.88	647,146,545.44	797,539,713.32
NRLMB VDRC	-	42,972	28,576,380.00	212,555,233.94	241,131,613.94
DSWD FO VIII	4,496,936.60	134,210	83,796,826.91	61,176,037.63	149,469,801.14

Note: The Inventory Summary is as of 19 January 2024, 4PM.

Source: DSWD-DRMB and DSWD-NRLMB

1. Standby Funds

- ₱1.5 billion Quick Response Fund (QRF) at the DSWD Central Office.
- ₱4.5 million available at DSWD FO VIII.

2. Prepositioned FFPs and Other Relief Items

- 262,710 FFPs available in Disaster Response Centers; of which, 219,738 FFPs are at the National Resource Operations Center (NROC), Pasay City and 42,972 FFPs are at the Visayas Disaster Resource Center (VDRC), Mandaue City.
- 134,210 FFPs available at DSWD FO VIII.
- ₱920.88 million worth of other FNIs at NROC, VDRC, and DSWD FO VIII warehouses.

b. Food and Non-food Items (FNIs)

DATE	ACTIVITIES
18 January 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO VIII distributed food and non-food items (FNIs) to the families.

c. Internally Displaced Person (IDP) Protection

DATE	ACTIVITIES
19 January 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO VIII maintains close coordination with the City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO) of Catbalogan for the provision of psychosocial first aid to the affected families.

d. Other Activities

DATE	ACTIVITIES
19 January 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO VIII maintains close coordination with the Local Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council (LDRRMC) of Catbalogan City significant updates and any augmentation requests.

Annexes

Annex A. Number of Affected Families / Persons

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NUMBER OF AFFECTED		
	Barangays	Families	Persons
GRAND TOTAL	1	5	31
REGION VIII	1	5	31
Western Samar	1	5	31
<i>City of Catbalogan</i>	1	5	31

Note: Ongoing assessment and validation being conducted.

Source: DSWD FO VII

Annex B. Number of Displaced Families / Persons Outside Evacuation Center

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NUMBER OF DISPLACED			
	OUTSIDE ECs			
	Families		Persons	
	CUM	NOW	CUM	NOW
GRAND TOTAL	5	5	31	31
REGION VIII	5	5	31	31
Western Samar	5	5	31	31
<i>City of Catbalogan</i>	5	5	31	31

Note: Ongoing assessment and validation being conducted.

Source: DSWD FO VIII

Annex C. Number of Damaged Houses

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NO. OF DAMAGED HOUSES		
	Total	Totally	Partially
GRAND TOTAL	5	1	4
REGION VIII	5	1	4
Western Samar	5	1	4
<i>City of Catbalogan</i>	5	1	4

Note: Ongoing assessment and validation being conducted.

Source: DSWD FO VIII

Annex D. Cost of Assistance Provided to Affected Families / Persons

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	COST OF ASSISTANCE				GRAND TOTAL
	DSWD	LGU	NGOs	OTHERS	
GRAND TOTAL	36,846.80	-	-	-	36,846.80
REGION VIII	36,846.80	-	-	-	36,846.80
Western Samar	36,846.80	-	-	-	36,846.80
<i>City of Catbalogan</i>	36,846.80	-	-	-	36,846.80

Note: The reflected DSWD assistance covers the cost of food and non-food items (FNIs) and financial assistance provided to the affected families / individuals.

Source: DSWD FO VIII

Annex E. Photo Documentation



The Disaster Response Operations Management, Information, and Communication (DROMIC) Division of DSWD-DRMB is closely coordinating with DSWD FO VIII for significant disaster response updates and assistance provided.

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