
DSWD DROMIC Report #9 on the Effects of El Niño as of 23 March 2024, 6AM

I. Situation Overview

From July 2023 to February 2024, a progression from weak to strong El Niño conditions was observed in the tropical Pacific Ocean. By March 2024, despite the evident signs of weakening climate condition, the effects are expected to persist until the March-April-May 2024 season, with a high probability of transitioning to ENSO-neutral conditions in April-May-June.

The effects of El Niño were felt, with dry conditions leading to agricultural damage and water shortages reported in various regions as stated below:

On 18 December 2023, the provinces of Zamboanga del Norte, Zamboanga del Sur, and Zamboanga City started to experience dry condition due to the Effects of El Niño, which resulted in damages in agriculture as well as water shortage in various areas.

On 23 February 2024, prevalent dry conditions were reported in the Municipality of Dumarao in Capiz. On March 8, 2024, the Municipality of Barotac Viejo in Iloilo also reported damaged crops and agricultural lands, and affected livestock due to dry conditions.

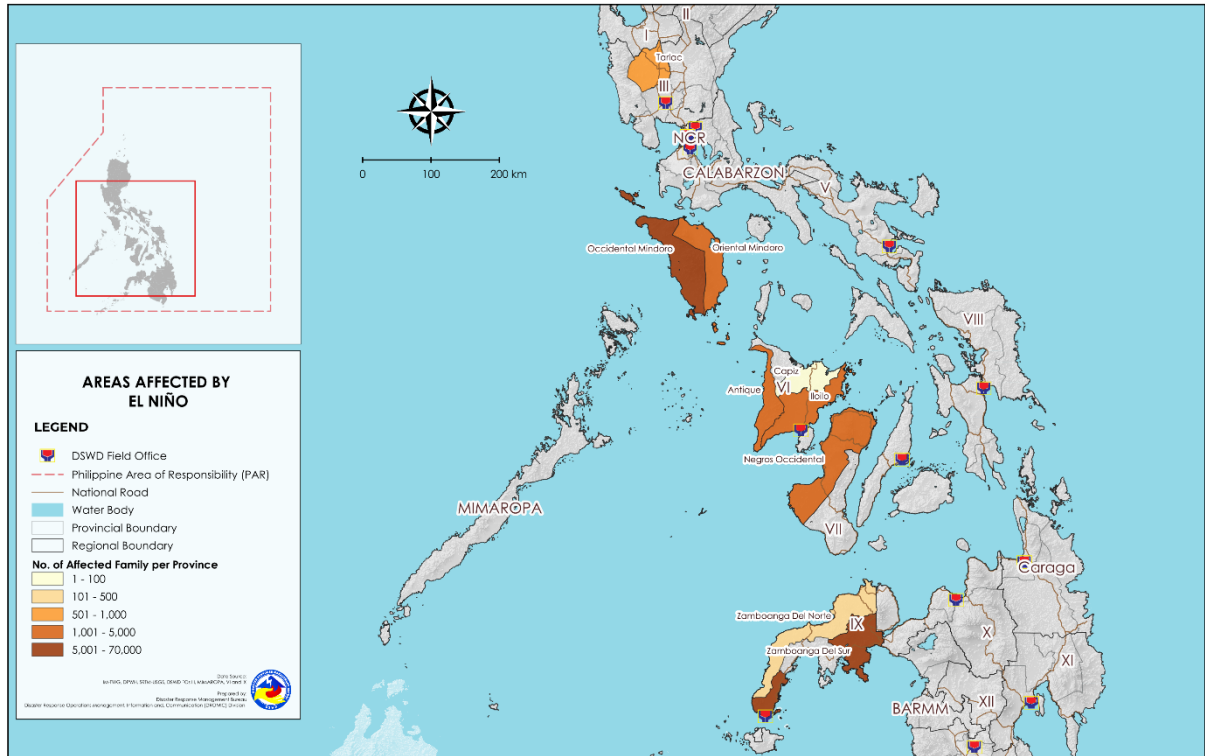
In MIMAROPA, two (2) local government units (LGUs) in Oriental Mindoro have already declared State of Calamity (SoC) due to the effects of severe drought: the Municipality of Bulalacao on 27 February 2024 and the Municipality of Mansalay on 07 March 2024. The absence of rainfall, leading to dwindling water sources, has posed a significant challenge to farmers in irrigating their crops such as rice, onions, and vegetables.

On February 2024, the Municipality of Capas, Tarlac reported that the livelihood of farmers, mostly from IPs (Indigenous Peoples) families, have been damaged due to the effects of the El Niño.

Source: DOST-PAGASA El Niño Advisory and DSWD Field Offices (FOs)

II. Status of Affected Areas and Population

A total of **79,283 families** or **385,884 persons** are affected in **310 barangays** in **Regions III, VI, MIMAROPA and IX** (see Annex A).



III. Cost of Humanitarian Assistance Provided

A total of **₱1,270,813.00** worth of assistance was provided by **DSWD** to the affected families (see Annex B).

IV. Response Actions and Interventions

a. DSWD Prepositioned FFPs in the Affected Areas

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	PREPOSITIONED FFPs	
	QUANTITY	COST
GRAND TOTAL	14,872	12,447,928.54
REGION III	38	17,968.54
<i>Provincial Government of Tarlac</i>	38	17,968.54
MIMAROPA	11,033	9,929,700.00
Looc, Occidental Mindoro	1,647	1,482,300.00
Magsaysay, Occidental Mindoro	1,500	1,350,000.00
Bongabong, Oriental Mindoro	2,500	2,250,000.00
Bulalacao (San Pedro), Oriental Mindoro	800	720,000.00
Mansalay, Oriental Mindoro	3,288	2,959,200.00
Pinamalayan, Oriental Mindoro	1,298	1,168,200.00
REGION VI	3,301	2,257,010.00
Candoni, Negros Occidental	1,694	1,129,170.00
Isabela, Negros Occidental	1,607	1,127,840.00
REGION IX	500	243,250.00
Siocon, Zamboanga del Norte	500	243,250.00

Note: DSWD Prepositioned FFPs in the Affected Areas as of 23 March 2024, 4AM.

Source: DSWD-DRMB, DSWD-NRLMB, and DSWD FOs

b. DSWD FFPs Augmentation to Field Offices

REGION	REQUESTED FFPs		DISPATCHED FFPs			STATUS	
	DATE	QTY	DATE	QTY	SOURCE	[In-Transit, Delivered]	DATE
III	01 Feb 2024	1,500	01 Feb 2024	1,500	NROC	Delivered	03 Feb 2024
	05 Feb 2024	1,500	05 Feb 2024	1,500	NROC	Delivered	07 Feb 2024
	06 Feb 2024	9,200	06 Feb 2024	9,200	NROC	Delivered	08 Feb 2024
	07 Feb 2024	3,400	07 Feb 2024	3,400	NROC	Delivered	09 Feb 2024
	08 Feb 2024	10,900	08 Feb 2024	10,900	NROC	Delivered	10 Feb 2024
MIMAROP A (IV-B)	2 Feb 2024	1,700	2 Feb 2024	1,700	NROC	Delivered	04 Feb 2024
	6 Feb 2024	5,100	6 Feb 2024	5,100	NROC	Delivered	08 Feb 2024
	13 Feb 2024	4,000	13 Feb 2024	4,000	NROC	Delivered	22 Feb 2024
	20 Feb 2024	13,600	20 Feb 2024	13,600	NROC	Delivered	22 Feb 2024
	20 Feb 2024	6,800	20 Feb 2024	6,800	NROC	Delivered	28 Feb 2024
	27 Feb 2024	17,000	27 Feb 2024	17,000	NROC	Delivered	12 Mar 2024
	8 Mar 2024	10,000	8 Mar 2024	10,000	NROC	Delivered	9 Mar 2024
	11 Mar 2024	3,400	11 Mar 2024	3,400	NROC	Delivered	14 Mar 2024
	18 Mar 2024	4,700	18 Mar 2024	4,700	NROC	In-Transit	-
VI	04 Mar 2024	50,000	05 Mar 2024	5,000	VDRC	Delivered	06 Mar 2024
			11 Mar 2024	5,000	VDRC	Delivered	12 Mar 2024

Note: DSWD FFPs Augmentation to FOs as of 23 March 2024, 4AM.

Source: DSWD-DRMB and DSWD-NRLMB

c. 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	73,944,405.05	1,204,334	825,372,768.62	1,200,276,174.52	2,099,593,348.19
DSWD CO	455,495.79		-	-	455,495.79
NRLMB NROC	-	65,976	22,102,150.14	276,020,509.08	298,122,659.22
NRLMB VDRC	-	22,069	12,779,885.00	132,417,873.45	145,197,758.45
DSWD FO I	5,000,712.22	30,186	22,463,786.45	61,507,622.34	88,972,121.01
DSWD FO II	5,000,000.28	68,489	74,094,191.89	29,093,138.56	108,187,330.73
DSWD FO III	5,000,000.00	61,582	39,557,741.16	19,684,826.43	64,242,567.59
DSWD FO CALABARZON	5,000,000.00	107,098	75,840,967.18	33,968,881.47	114,809,848.65
DSWD FO MIMAROPA	5,000,219.50	151,277	121,719,600.00	30,721,559.83	157,441,379.33
DSWD FO V	5,000,000.00	104,244	71,852,126.69	131,395,856.59	208,247,983.28
DSWD FO VI	5,000,000.00	48,226	30,981,590.51	66,367,069.00	102,348,659.51
DSWD FO VII	-	76,271	47,708,272.10	42,266,583.62	89,974,855.72
DSWD FO VIII	4,496,936.60	108,580	71,656,473.94	58,302,928.11	134,456,338.65
DSWD FO IX	5,000,000.00	50,095	27,342,926.87	62,126,345.17	94,469,272.04
DSWD FO X	5,000,000.00	52,588	34,941,002.63	78,142,401.40	118,083,404.03
DSWD FO XI	5,000,000.00	68,191	45,261,842.50	60,075,276.44	110,337,118.94
DSWD FO XII	5,000,000.00	46,506	30,069,565.00	28,019,471.01	63,089,036.01
DSWD FO CARAGA	5,000,322.66	70,874	47,924,977.31	32,909,478.85	85,834,778.82
DSWD FO NCR	4,553,500.00	29,877	20,473,599.51	3,680,020.38	28,707,119.89
DSWD FO CAR	4,437,218.00	42,205	28,602,069.74	53,576,332.79	86,615,620.53

Note: Summary of Inventory Report as of 23 March 2024, 4AM.

Source: DSWD-DRMB and DSWD-NRLMB

1. Standby Funds

- ₱455,495.79 Quick Response Fund (QRF) available at the DSWD Central Office.
- ₱73.49 million available in all DSWD FOs.

2. Prepositioned FFPs and Other Relief Items

- 88,045 FFPs available in Disaster Response Centers; of which, 65,976 FFPs are at the National Resource Operations Center (NROC), Pasay City and 22,069 FFPs are at the Visayas Disaster Resource Center (VDRC), Mandaue City.
- 1,116,289 FFPs available at all DSWD FOs.
- ₱1.2 billion worth of other FNIs at NROC, VDRC, and DSWD Warehouses.

d. Food and Non-food Items (FNIs)

DSWD FO III

DATE	ACTIVITIES
28-29 February 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The DSWD FO III provided FFPs to the IP families affected by the Effects of El Niño.

DSWD FO VI

DATE	ACTIVITIES
21 March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The DSWD FO VI provided FFPs to the families affected by the Effects of El Niño in the Municipalities of Hinigaran and Vallaloid in Negros Occidental.

e. Other Activities

DSWD DRMG

DATE	ACTIVITIES
21 March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disaster Response Management Bureau (DRMB) closely coordinates with DSWD FOs for significant disaster response updates relative to the Effects of El Niño. • DRMB closely coordinates with DOST-PAGASA for significant updates and other related information relative to the Effects of El Niño. • All DRMB Quick Response Team (QRT) members and emergency equipment are on standby and ready for deployment. • NRLMB ensures the replenishment and availability of FNIs for resource augmentation to DSWD FOs as need arises.

DSWD FO III

DATE	ACTIVITIES
06 March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO III submitted their first and final report.

DSWD FO MIMAROPA

DATE	ACTIVITIES
21 March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO MIMAROPA provided communication letter to the Provincial Government of Oriental and Occidental Mindoro for the submission of comprehensive and consolidated report together with a validated list of affected families which shall serve as basis

	in determining the number of goods to be allocated in the affected LGUs.
20 March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO MIMAROPA Guidance Memorandum to Social Welfare and Development (SWAD) Office and Provincial Disaster Response Management Division staff on the management of request for augmentation support intended for the affected families by El Nino Phenomenon
13 March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The DSWD FO MIMAROPA's Social Welfare and Development (SWAD) Team Leader in Oriental Mindoro closely coordinated with the affected LGUs for assessment of affected farmers and possible provision of relief assistance.

DSWD FO VI

DATE	ACTIVITIES
22 March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VI maintains close coordination with the affected LGUs for significant updates and any requests for relief augmentation.

DSWD FO IX

DATE	ACTIVITIES
20 March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO IX maintains close coordination with the affected LGUs for significant updates and any requests for relief augmentation.

Annex

Annex A. Number of Affected Families / Persons

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NUMBER OF AFFECTED		
	Barangays	Families	Persons
GRAND TOTAL	310	79,283	385,884
REGION III	-	1,000	1,000
Tarlac	-	1,000	1,000
*Capas	-	1,000	1,000
MIMAROPA	80	7,862	36,391
Occidental Mindoro	40	6,010	27,031
Looc	9	2,718	10,321
Magsaysay	9	1,177	6,135
Paluan	12	1,426	7,130
Rizal	10	689	3,445
Oriental Mindoro	40	1,852	9,360
Bongabong	5	35	175
Bulalacao (San Pedro)	13	985	4,925
Mansalay	14	787	4,035
Pinamalayan	8	45	225
REGION VI	146	9,300	42,887
Antique	65	3,324	13,637
Hamtic	16	175	700
Sibalom	47	3,143	12,912
Tobias Fornier (Dao)	2	6	25
Capiz	1	30	142
Dumarao	1	30	142
Iloilo	42	1,686	7,891
Barotac Nuevo	24	1,213	6,065
Barotac Viejo	12	462	1,787
Zarraga	6	11	39
Negros Occidental	38	4,260	21,217
Candoni	9	241	1,205
Hinigaran	5	49	206
Isabela	1	1	2
City of Kabankalan	20	3,928	19,640
Valladolid	3	41	164
REGION IX	84	61,121	305,606
Zamboanga del Norte	16	400	2,000
Baliguian	2	120	600
Labason	6	73	365
Siocon	8	207	1,035
Zamboanga del Sur	11	28	140
Dimataling	11	28	140
Zamboanga City	57	60,693	303,466

Note: *The affected population in the Municipality of Capas, Tarlac are farmers. With ongoing validation and assessment.

Source: DSWD FOs

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

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	COST OF ASSISTANCE				
	DSWD	LGU	NGOs	OTHERS	GRAND TOTAL
GRAND TOTAL	1,270,813.00	-	-	-	1,270,813.00
REGION III	1,210,963.00	-	-	-	1,210,963.00
Tarlac	1,210,963.00	-	-	-	1,210,963.00
Capas	1,210,963.00	-	-	-	1,210,963.00
REGION VI	59,850.00	-	-	-	59,850.00

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	COST OF ASSISTANCE				
	DSWD	LGU	NGOs	OTHERS	GRAND TOTAL
Negros Occidental	59,850.00	-	-	-	59,850.00
<i>Hinigaran</i>	<i>32,585.00</i>	-	-	-	<i>32,585.00</i>
<i>Valladolid</i>	<i>27,265.00</i>	-	-	-	<i>27,265.00</i>

Note: The reflected DSWD assistance covers the cost of food items provided to the affected families / individuals.

Source: DSWD FOs III and VI

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

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