

DSWD DROMIC Report #1 on the Armed Conflict in Brgy. San Jose, Mapanas, Northern Samar

as of 19 March 2025, 6PM

I. Situation Overview

On 17 March 2025, the Sub-Field Office of Northern Samar received a report from the MSWDO regarding an armed conflict in Mapanas, Northern Samar. At 6:15 AM on 16 March 2025, a Philippine Army unit, led by Lt. Edmond V. Limbaga, encountered three (3) members of the NPA near Brgy. San Jose during a Focused Military Operation. The firefight lasted 10 minutes, resulting in one (1) government casualty (WIA) and one (1) enemy fatality.

As a precaution, the affected barangay is on lockdown, and residents are advised to refrain from farming for safety.

In response to the incident, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), through its Field Office in Region VIII, actively engaged in the response operation and maintains continuous coordination with the Local Government Unit of Mapanas to manage the needs the community, provide timely updates, address potential requests for relief augmentation, and ensure the swift delivery of assistance to those affected by the incident.

Source: DSWD Field Office (FO) VIII

II. Status of Affected Areas and Population

A total of 162 families or 648 persons are affected in Brgy. San Jose, Mapanas, Northern Samar.

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NUMBER OF AFFECTED		
REGION / PROVINCE / MONICIPALITY	Barangays	Families	Persons
GRAND TOTAL	1	162	648
REGION VIII	1	162	648
Northern Samar	1	162	648
Mapanas	1	162	648

Table 1. Number of Affected Families / Persons

Note: Ongoing assessment and validation.

Source: DSWD FO VIII

III. Response Actions and Interventions

a. Standby Funds and Prepositioned Relief Stockpile

		STOCKPILE			TOTAL STANDBY
OFFICE STANDBY FUNDS	FAMILY FOOD PACKS		OTHER FOOD AND	FUNDS &	
	QUANTITY	TOTAL COST	NON-FOOD ITEMS (FNIs)	STOCKPILE	
TOTAL	299,135,749.92	739,675	478,793,523.57	201,003,852.57	978,933,126.06
DSWD CO	297,763,953.80	-	-	-	297,763,953.80
NRLMB NROC	-	258,105	183,390,376.00	116,110,003.60	299,500,379.60
NRLMB VDRC	-	353,640	209,952,972.82	42,379,423.97	252,332,396.79



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OFFICE STANDBY FUNDS	FAMILY FOOD PACKS		OTHER FOOD AND	FUNDS &	
	QUANTITY	TOTAL COST	NON-FOOD ITEMS (FNIs)	STOCKPILE	
DSWD FO VIII	1,371,796.12	127,930	85,450,174.75	42,514,425.00	129,336,395.87

Note: Summary of Inventory Reports as of 19 March 2025, 4PM.

Source: DSWD-DRMB and DSWD-NRLMB

1. Standby Funds

- ₱297.76 million Quick Response Fund (QRF) at the DSWD Central Office.
- ₱1.37 million available at DSWD FO VIII.

2. Prepositioned FFPs and Other Relief Items

- 611,745 FFPs available in Disaster Response Centers; of which, 258,105 FFPs are at the National Resource Operations Center (NROC), Pasay City and 353,640 FFPs are at the Visayas Disaster Resource Center (VDRC), Mandaue City.
- 127,930 FFPs available at DSWD FO VIII.
- ₱201.00 million worth of other FNIs at NROC, VDRC, and DSWD FO VIII warehouses.

b. Other Activities

DATE	ACTIVITIES
19 March 2025	 DSWD FO VIII closely coordinates with the affected LGUs and other concerned offices for significant updates and any requests for relief augmentation.

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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