

DSWD DROMIC Report #14 on the Structural Vulnerabilities of the San Juanico Bridge as of 30 May 2025, 6AM

I. Situation Overview

On 15 May 2025, the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) imposed a temporary maximum gross vehicle weight limit of three (3) metric tons on all vehicles crossing the San Juanico Bridge, which connects the provinces of Leyte and Samar. This measure is being implemented due to identified structural vulnerabilities in the bridge.

The restriction on vehicle types allowed to cross the San Juanico Bridge may significantly impact economic activities, delay the delivery of essential services and commodities, and disrupt daily operations, affecting many individuals who depend on this crucial route.

Source: DSWD Field Offices (FOs) V and VIII

II. Status of Affected Areas and Population

A total of **2,307 families** or **2,377 persons** are affected in **Regions V** and **VIII** (see Annex A).

III. Status of Displaced Population

Inside Evacuation Center

A total of **276 persons** sought temporary shelter at **two (2) evacuation centers** in **Region V** (see Annex B).

IV. Cost of Humanitarian Assistance Provided

A total of **₱1,382,709.80** worth of assistance was provided by **DSWD** to the affected families and individuals (see Annex C).

V. 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	368,379,932.01	2,898,879	1,947,779,604.56	898,705,638.22	3,214,865,174.79
DSWD CO	320,379,932.01	-	-	-	320,379,932.01
NRLMB NROC	-	422,139	268,251,708.75	51,639,411.72	319,891,120.47
NRLMB VDRC	-	327,965	204,909,580.18	39,138,939.77	244,048,519.95
DSWD FO V	3,000,000.00	209,525	137,084,718.04	96,638,563.34	236,723,281.38
DSWD FO VIII	3,000,000.00	143,346	91,813,123.38	41,909,891.50	136,723,014.88
OTHER FOs	42,000,000.00	1,795,904	1,245,720,474.21	669,378,831.89	1,957,099,306.10

Note: The Inventory Summary is as of 30 May 2025, 4AM.

Source: DSWD-DRMB and DSWD-NRLMB

1. Standby Funds

- ₱320.38 million Quick Response Fund (QRF) available at the DSWD Central Office.
- ₱6 million available at DSWD FOs V and VIII.
- ₱42 million available in other FOs, which may support the relief needs of the families and individuals affected by the structural vulnerabilities of the San Juanico Bridge through inter-FO augmentation.

2. Prepositioned FFPs and Other Relief Items

- 750,104 FFPs available in Disaster Response Centers; of which, 422,139 FFPs are at the National Resource Operations Center (NROC), Pasay City and 327,965 FFPs are at the Visayas Disaster Resource Center (VDRC), Mandaue City.
- 352,871 FFPs available at DSWD FOs V and VIII.
- 1,795,904 FFPs are available in other FOs, which may support the relief needs of the families and individuals affected by the structural vulnerabilities of the San Juanico Bridge through inter-FO augmentation.
- ₱898.71 million worth of other FNIs available at NROC, VDRC, and DSWD FOs V and VIII warehouses.

b. Food and Non-food Items (FNIs)

FO V

DATE	ACTIVITIES
29 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO V facilitated the distribution of FFPs to the families and individuals stranded at Cawayan Port in Cawayan, Masbate.
23 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO V facilitated the distribution of FFPs to the families and individuals stranded in Matnog, Sorsogon.

FO VIII

DATE	ACTIVITIES
29 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO VIII facilitated the distribution of additional food items to the families and individuals stranded in the following Local Government Units (LGUs): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ FFPs in Calbayog City; and ◦ FFPs and bottled water in Basey, Samar.
28 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO VIII facilitated the distribution of additional food items to the families and individuals stranded in the following LGUs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ FFPs in Calbayog City; and ◦ FFPs and bottled water in Basey and Sta. Rita, Samar; and Ormoc City and Tacloban City.
27 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO VIII facilitated the distribution of additional food items to the families and individuals stranded in the following LGUs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ FFPs in Calbayog City; and ◦ FFPs and bottled water in Basey and Sta. Rita, Samar; and Ormoc City and Tacloban City.
26 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO VIII facilitated the distribution of additional food items to the families and individuals stranded in the following LGUs:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FFPs in Calbayog City; and FFPs and bottled water in Basey and Sta. Rita, Samar; and Tacloban City.
25 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII facilitated the distribution of additional food items to the families and individuals stranded in the following LGUs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FFPs in Tacloban City, Ormoc City, and Sta. Rita, Samar; and FFPs and bottled water in Basey, Samar.
24 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII facilitated the distribution of additional food items to the families and individuals stranded in the following LGUs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FFPs in Calbayog City; and FFPs and bottled water in Tacloban City and Sta. Rita, Samar.
23 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII facilitated the distribution of additional food items to the families and individuals stranded in the following LGUs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FFPs in Calbayog City; FFPs and Bottled water in Tacloban City; and FFPs in Basey and Sta. Rita in Samar.
21-22 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII facilitated the distribution of FNIs to the families and individuals stranded in Basey and Sta. Rita, Samar, and Tacloban City.
20 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII facilitated the distribution of FFPs to the families and individuals stranded in Basey and Sta. Rita, Samar and Tacloban City.
19 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII facilitated the distribution of FFPs to the families and individuals stranded in Tacloban City and Sta. Rita, Samar. DSWD FO VIII Quick Response Team (QRT) assisted the LGU Tacloban City in the provision of hot meals to the stranded families and individuals.

c. Other Activities

FO V

DATE	ACTIVITIES
28 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO V, through its Social Welfare and Development (SWAD) Team in Cataingan, Masbate, conducted a profiling and monitoring of the stranded individuals.
23 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO V closely coordinated with the LGUs accommodating the stranded families and individuals, and other concerned offices for significant updates and any requests for augmentation.

FO VIII

DATE	ACTIVITIES
29 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII continuously conducted assessment of stranded truck drivers and their helpers in Cabalawan, Tacloban City.
28 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII conducted a consultation meeting with the City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO) of LGU Calbayog City to deliberate operational matters concerning the establishment of Help Desks at the Calbayog Port and Manguino-o Port.

DATE	ACTIVITIES
26 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII Regional Director participated in the Regional Inter-Agency Coordinating Cell (RIACC) – Task Force San Juanico meeting to deliberate on the current situation concerning the San Juanico Bridge restriction.
25 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII remained on high alert at the Help Desks in Leyte and Samar to assist stranded individuals.
24 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII attended the coordination and planning meeting held in San Francisco, Southern Leyte in response to stranded truckers in Ormoc City.
23 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII deployed its Mobile Command Center (MCC) to monitor and gather updates on the stranded families and individuals. DSWD FO VIII, in coordination with its Municipal Action Team (MAT) in Sta. Rita, Samar, continued to administer the profiling and validation of the stranded families and individuals through the use of Family Access Card in Emergencies and Disasters (FACED).
22 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSWD FO VIII referred the stranded families and individuals to the Crisis Intervention Section for further assessment and provision of financial assistance (FA) through the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situations (AICS).

Annexes

Annex A. Number of Affected Families / Persons

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NUMBER OF AFFECTED	
	Families	Persons
GRAND TOTAL	2,307	2,377
REGION V	287	334
Masbate	276	276
Cataingan	82	82
Cawayan	194	194
Sorsogon	11	58
Matnog	11	58
REGION VIII	2,020	2,043
Leyte	614	615
Ormoc City	614	615
Tacloban City	278	300
Samar (Western Samar)	1,128	1,128
Basey	177	177
Calbayog City	607	607
Santa Rita	344	344

Note: The affected population are Locally Stranded Individuals (LSIs). With ongoing assessment and validation.

Source: DSWD FOs V and VIII

Annex B. 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	2	287	276	334	276
REGION V	3	2	287	276	334	276
Masbate	2	2	276	276	276	276
Cataingan	1	1	82	82	82	82
Cawayan	1	1	194	194	194	194
Sorsogon	1	-	11	-	58	-
Matnog	1	-	11	-	58	-

Note: The affected population are Locally Stranded Individuals (LSIs). With ongoing assessment and validation.

Source: DSWD FO V

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

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	COST OF ASSISTANCE				
	DSWD	LGU	NGOs	OTHERS	GRAND TOTAL
GRAND TOTAL	1,382,709.80	-	-	-	1,382,709.80
REGION V	100,182.00	-	-	-	100,182.00
Masbate	92,603.00	-	-	-	92,603.00
Cataingan	28,547.00	-	-	-	28,547.00
Cawayan	64,056.00	-	-	-	64,056.00
Sorsogon	7,579.00	-	-	-	7,579.00
Matnog	7,579.00	-	-	-	7,579.00
REGION VIII	1,282,527.80	-	-	-	1,282,527.80

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	COST OF ASSISTANCE				
	DSWD	LGU	NGOs	OTHERS	GRAND TOTAL
Leyte	328,790.00	-	-	-	328,790.00
Ormoc City	328,790.00	-	-	-	328,790.00
Tacloban City	201,574.00	-	-	-	201,574.00
Samar (Western Samar)	752,163.80	-	-	-	752,163.80
Basey	135,663.35	-	-	-	135,663.35
Calbayog City	388,750.00	-	-	-	388,750.00
Santa Rita	227,750.45	-	-	-	227,750.45

Note: The reflected DSWD assistance covers the cost of FFPs and financial assistance provided to the affected families / persons.

Source: DSWD FOs V and VIII

Annex D. Photo Documentation

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DSWD Field Office V distributes family food packs (FFPs) to stranded individuals at Cawayan Port in Cawayan, Masbate due to strict weight restrictions on the San Juanico Bridge.



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DSWD Field Office V through the Matnog Sorsogon SWAD Team, distributes Family Food Packs (FFPs) to stranded individuals in Matnog, Sorsogon due to the strict weight restrictions on the San Juanico Bridge.



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

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