

DSWD DROMIC Report #4 on the Structural Vulnerabilities of the San Juanico Bridge

as of 22 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 the types of vehicles allowed to cross the San Juanico bridge may impact economic activities, delay the delivery of essential services and commodities, and disrupt daily operations, affecting many people who depend on this crucial route.

Source: DSWD Field Office (FO) VIII

II. Status of Affected Areas and Population

A total of **556 families** or **562 persons** are affected in **Tacloban City** and **Santa Rita, Samar** (see Annex A).

III. Cost of Humanitarian Assistance Provided

A total of **₱382,829.80** worth of assistance was provided by **DSWD** to the affected families and individuals (see Annex B).

IV. 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	427,461,407.01	929,987	586,652,884.11	105,890,465.75	1,120,004,756.87
DSWD CO	424,461,407.01	-	-	-	424,461,407.01
NRLMB NROC	-	401,573	257,161,261.87	44,492,617.68	301,653,879.55
NRLMB VDRC	-	383,561	236,744,295.76	19,217,280.57	255,961,576.33
DSWD FO VIII	3,000,000.00	144,853	92,747,326.48	42,180,567.50	137,927,893.98

Note: The Inventory Summary is as of 22 May 2025, 4AM.

Source: DSWD-DRMB and DSWD-NRLMB

1. Standby Funds

- ₱424.46 million Quick Response Fund (QRF) available at the DSWD Central Office.
- ₱3 million available at DSWD FO VIII.

2. Prepositioned FFPs and Other Relief Items

- 785,134 FFPs available in Disaster Response Centers; of which, 401,573 FFPs are at the National Resource Operations Center (NROC), Pasay City and 383,561 FFPs are at the Visayas Disaster Resource Center (VDRC), Mandaue City.
- 144,853 FFPs available at DSWD FO VIII.
- ₱105.89 million worth of other FNIs at NROC, VDRC, and DSWD FO VIII warehouses.

b. Food and Non-food Items (FNIs)

DATE	ACTIVITIES
21 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO VIII facilitated the distribution of FNIs to the families and individuals stranded in Sta. Rita, Samar and Tacloban City, Leyte and San Antonio, Basey, Samar.
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 Leyte.
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 assisted the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Tacloban City in the provision of hot meals to the stranded families and individuals.

c. Other Activities

DATE	ACTIVITIES
20 May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSWD FO VIII closely coordinates with the LGUs accommodating the stranded families and individuals, and other concerned offices for significant updates and any requests for relief augmentation. • DSWD FO VIII deployed its Mobile Command Center to monitor and gather updates on the stranded families and individuals. • DSWD FO VIII referred the stranded families and individuals to the Crisis Intervention Section for further assessment and provision of financial assistance through the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS). • DSWD FO VIII, in coordination with the Municipal Action Team (MAT) in Sta. Rita, Samar, administers the profiling and validation of the stranded families and individuals through the use of Family Access Card in Emergencies and Disasters (FACED).

Annexes

Annex A. Number of Affected Families / Persons

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NUMBER OF AFFECTED		
	Barangays	Families	Persons
GRAND TOTAL	-	556	562
REGION VIII	-	556	562
<i>Tacloban City</i>	-	197	203
Samar (Western Samar)	-	359	359
<i>Santa Rita</i>	-	282	282

Note: The affected families and persons in San Remigio, Cebu are LSIs. Ongoing assessment and validation.

Source: DSWD FO VIII

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

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	COST OF ASSISTANCE				
	DSWD	LGU	NGOs	OTHERS	GRAND TOTAL
GRAND TOTAL	382,829.80	-	-	-	382,829.80
REGION VIII	382,829.80	-	-	-	382,829.80
<i>Tacloban City</i>	142,133.85	-	-	-	142,133.85
Samar (Western Samar)	240,695.95	-	-	-	240,695.95
<i>Santa Rita</i>	181,058.10	-	-	-	181,058.10

Note: The reflected DSWD assistance covers the cost of family food packs (FFPs) provided to the affected families / persons.

Source: DSWD FO VIII

Annex C. Photo Documentation

**21
MAY
2025**

DSWD Field Office VIII distributes distilled water to stranded individuals affected by the strict weight restrictions on San Juanico Bridge in San Antonio, Basey, Samar.







**21
MAY
2025**

DSWD Field Office VIII profiles and distributes family food packs (FFPs) and distilled water to stranded individuals affected by the strict weight restrictions on San Juanico Bridge in Tacloban Port.



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.

Prepared by:

**JANICA GABRIELLE T. JAVILLO
AIZA A. SARIAN**

Released by:

JAN ERWIN ANDREW I. ONTANILLAS