

## **DSWD DROMIC Report #1 on the Armed Conflict in Uson, Masbate**

as of 02 August 2025, 6AM

### **I. Situation Overview**

On 19 July 2025 at around 5:46 AM, an armed conflict transpired between alleged members of the Communist Party of the Philippines - New People's Army (CPP-NPA) and the 2nd Infantry Battalion (IB) of the 9th Infantry Division (ID) of the Philippine Army (PA) in Brgy. Candelaria, Uson, Masbate.

The following day, on 20 July 2025, another encounter occurred between the alleged CPP-NPA members and the 21IB, 91D, PA military troops in Sitio Tisa, Brgy. Matagbac, Milagros, Masbate. On 27 July 2025, a firefight occurred between the same groups in Brgy. San Mateo, Uson, Masbate.

The series of crossfire incidents caused serious distress as well as the disruption to the daily living of the residents. In response, DSWD Field Office V provided relief assistance and conducted a psychological first aid for the affected population.

*Source: DSWD Field Office (FO) V*

### **II. Status of Affected Areas and Population**

A total of **1,010 families** or **4,391 persons** are affected in **seven (7) barangays** in **Uson, Masbate** (see Annex A).

### **III. Status of Displaced Population**

#### **a. Inside Evacuation Center**

There are **402 families** or **1,430 persons** currently taking temporary shelter in **eight (8) evacuation centers** in **Uson, Masbate** (see Annex B).

#### **b. Outside Evacuation Center**

There are **37 families** or **106 persons** temporarily staying with their relatives or friends (see Annex C).

#### **c. Total Displaced Population**

There are **439 families** or **1,536 persons** still displaced in **Uson, Masbate** (see Annex D).

### **IV. Cost of Humanitarian Assistance Provided**

A total of **₱747,263.50** worth of assistance was provided to the affected families; of which, **₱597,263.50** from **DSWD** and **₱150,000.00** from the **Local Government Unit (LGU)** (see Annex E).

## 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	25,461,458.45	589,554	364,877,002.86	184,829,366.30	575,167,827.61
DSWD CO	22,461,458.45	-	-	-	22,461,458.45
NRLMB NROC	-	77,375	52,190,542.76	30,192,673.00	82,383,215.76
NRLMB VDRC	-	345,251	208,327,998.12	52,716,858.27	261,044,856.39
DSWD FO V	3,000,000.00	166,928	104,358,461.98	101,919,835.03	209,278,297.01

Note: The Inventory Summary is as of 02 August 2025, 4AM.

Source: DSWD-DRMB and DSWD-NRLMB

#### 1. Standby Funds

- ₱22.46 million Quick Response Fund (QRF) at the DSWD Central Office.
- ₱3 million available at DSWD FO V.

#### 2. Prepositioned FFPs and Other Relief Items

- 422,626 FFPs available in Disaster Response Centers; of which, 77,375 FFPs are at the National Resource Operations Center (NROC), Pasay City and 345,251 FFPs are at the Visayas Disaster Resource Center (VDRC), Mandaue City.
- 166,928 FFPs available at DSWD FO V.
- ₱184.83 million worth of other FNIs at NROC, VDRC, and DSWD FO V warehouses.

### b. Food and Non-food Items (FNIs)

DATE	ACTIVITIES
27 July 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DSWD FO V facilitated the distribution of FNIs to the families affected in Brgy. San Mateo, Uson, Masbate.</li> </ul>
23 July 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DSWD FO V facilitated the distribution of FNIs to the families affected in Milagros, Masbate.</li> </ul>
22 July 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DSWD FO V facilitated the distribution of FNIs to the families affected in Brgy. Candelaria, Uson, Masbate.</li> </ul>

### c. Internally Displaced Person (IDP) Protection

DATE	ACTIVITIES
23 July 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DSWD FO V, in collaboration with the MSWDO, conducted psychological first aid for the affected residents.</li> </ul>

### d. Other Activities

DATE	ACTIVITIES
28 July 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DSWD FO V closely coordinates with the affected LGU and other concerned offices for significant updates and any requests for relief augmentation.</li> </ul>

## Annexes

### Annex A. Number of Affected Families / Persons

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NUMBER OF AFFECTED		
	Barangays	Families	Persons
GRAND TOTAL	7	1,010	4,391
REGION V	7	1,010	4,391
Masbate	7	1,010	4,391
Milagros	1	96	343
Uson	6	914	4,048

Note: Ongoing assessment and validation.

Source: DSWD FO V

### 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	9	8	456	402	1,723	1,430
REGION V	9	8	456	402	1,723	1,430
Masbate	9	8	456	402	1,723	1,430
Milagros	1	-	54	-	194	-
Uson	8	8	402	402	1,529	1,430

Note: Ongoing assessment and validation.

Source: DSWD FO V

### Annex C. Number of Displaced Families / Persons Outside Evacuation Center

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NUMBER OF DISPLACED			
	OUTSIDE ECs			
	Families		Persons	
	CUM	NOW	CUM	NOW
GRAND TOTAL	79	37	255	106
REGION V	79	37	255	106
Masbate	79	37	255	106
Milagros	42	-	149	-
Uson	37	37	106	106

Note: Ongoing assessment and validation.

Source: DSWD FO V

### Annex D. Total Number of Displaced Families / Persons

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	NUMBER OF DISPLACED			
	TOTAL			
	Families		Persons	
	CUM	NOW	CUM	NOW
GRAND TOTAL	535	439	1,978	1,536
REGION V	535	439	1,978	1,536
Masbate	535	439	1,978	1,536
Milagros	96	-	343	-
Uson	439	439	1,635	1,536

Note: Ongoing assessment and validation.

Source: DSWD FO V

## Annex E. Cost of Assistance Provided to Affected Families / Persons

REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY	COST OF ASSISTANCE				
	DSWD	LGU	NGOs	OTHERS	GRAND TOTAL
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>597,263.50</b>	<b>150,000.00</b>	-	-	<b>747,263.50</b>
<b>REGION V</b>	<b>597,263.50</b>	<b>150,000.00</b>	-	-	<b>747,263.50</b>
<b>Masbate</b>	<b>597,263.50</b>	<b>150,000.00</b>	-	-	<b>747,263.50</b>
<i>Milagros</i>	<i>56,769.60</i>	<i>150,000.00</i>	-	-	<i>206,769.60</i>
<i>Uson</i>	<i>540,493.90</i>	-	-	-	<i>540,493.90</i>

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

Source: DSWD FO V

## Annex F. Photo Documentation







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

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