

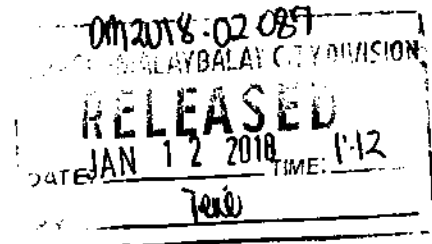


DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 091, s. 2018

**To: Chief Education Supervisors and Staff, SGOD and CID
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads
School DRRM Coordinators
This Division**

From: EDILBERTO L. OPLENARIA, CESO VI
OIC – Schools Division Superintendent



Date: February 12, 2018

Subject: Dissemination of PAGASA Severe Weather Bulletin No. 4 for Tropical Storm Basyang

1. Relative to the herein PAGASA Severe Weather Bulletin No. 4 for Tropical Storm Basyang issued at 8:00 A.M. today, the Province of Bukidnon is under Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal Number One. Hence, per DepEd Order No. 43, s. 2012 re: Guidelines on the Implementation of Executive Order no. 66 (Prescribing Rules on the Cancellation or Suspension of Classes and Work in Government Offices Due to Typhoons, Flooding, Other Weather Disturbances, and Calamities), **all preschool and kindergarten classes in public and private schools** are automatically cancelled or suspended until further notice.
2. Moreover, all are directed to keep on monitoring the weather updates issued by PAGASA
3. Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is highly enjoined.

Encl: As stated

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SEVERE WEATHER BULLETIN #4

FOR: TROPICAL STORM "BASYANG" (SANBA)

TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING

ISSUED AT 8:00 AM, 12 February 2018
 (Valid for broadcast until the next bulletin to be issued at 11 AM today)

"BASYANG" HAS MAINTAINED ITS STRENGTH AS IT MOVES TOWARDS THE DIRECTION OF EASTERN MINDANAO.

- Scattered to widespread moderate to heavy rains will prevail over the eastern section of Visayas and of Mindanao beginning later today. Residents of these areas must continue monitoring for updates, undertake precautionary measures against possible flooding and landslides, and coordinate with their respective local disaster risk reduction and management offices.
- Expected to make landfall in **Caraga Region tomorrow morning (February 13).**
- Sea travel is risky over the seaboards of Northern Luzon, eastern seaboards of Central and Southern Luzon, Eastern Visayas, and areas under Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal (TCWS).
- Possible inclusion of **Negros Oriental and northern section of Zamboanga del Norte** in areas under TCWS No. 1 in the next bulletin.

Location of eye/center	At 7:00 AM today, the center of Tropical Storm "BASYANG" was estimated based on all available data at 645 km East of Hinatuan, Surigao del Sur(07.4°N, 132.1°E).	<p style="text-align: center;">Track of Tropical Storm "BASYANG" (SANBA)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Philippine Atmospheric Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration</p>
Strength	Maximum sustained winds of up to 65 kph near the center and gustiness of up to 80 kph.	
Forecast Movement	Forecast to move West Northwest at 25 kph.	
Forecast Positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24 Hour(Tomorrow morning): 120 km East Northeast of Hinatuan, Surigao del Sur(8.8°N, 126.5°E) 48 Hour(Wednesday morning):155 km West of Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental(9.2°N, 121.9°E) 72 Hour(Thursday morning): 140 km West Northwest of Puerto Princesa City, Palawan(10.3°N, 117.6°E) 96 Hour(Friday morning):105 km North of Pagasa Island, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR)(11.9°N, 114.0°E) 120 Hour(Saturday morning):315 km Northwest of Pagasa Island, Palawan (OUTSIDE PAR)(12.8°N, 111.9°E) 	

TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL

TCWS	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao	Impacts of the wind
2 (61-120 kph Expected in 24 hours)			Surigao del Sur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Light to Moderate damage to high risk structures; Very light to light damage to medium-risk structures; No damage to very light damage to low risk structures Unshielded, old dilapidated schoolhouses, makeshift shanties, and other structures of light materials are partially damaged or unroofed. A number of nipa and cogon houses may be partially or totally unroofed. Some old galvanized iron (G.I.) roofs may be peeled or blown off. Some wooden, old electric posts are tilted or downed. Some damage to poorly constructed signboards In general, the winds may bring light to moderate damage to the exposed communities. Most banana plants, a few mango trees, ipil-ipl and similar types of trees are downed or broken. Some coconut trees may be tilted with few others broken. Rice and corn may be adversely affected. Considerable damage to shrubbery and trees with some heavy-foliated trees blown down.
Wave Height: (Open Sea) 4.1-14.0 meters Storm surge possible at coastal areas				



SEVERE WEATHER BULLETIN #4 FOR: TROPICAL STORM "BASYANG" (SANBA) TROPICAL CYCLONE: WARNING

TCWS	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao	Impacts of the wind
1 (30-60 kph Expected in 36 hours)		Southern Leyte, Bohol, Cebu, and Siquijor	Dinagat Islands, Surigao del Norte, Agusan del Norte, Agusan del Sur, Carmiguin, Compostela Valley, Davao Oriental, Davao del Norte, Misamis Oriental, Misamis Occidental, Lanao del Norte, Lanao del Sur, and Bukidnon.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Very light or no damage to low risk structures,• Light damage to medium to high risk structures• Slight damage to some houses of very light materials or makeshift structures in exposed communities. Some banana plants are tilted, a few downed and leaves are generally damaged• Twigs of small trees may be broken.• Rice crops, however, may suffer significant damage when it is in its flowering stage.
Wave Height: (Open Sea) 1.25-4.0 meters				
The public and the disaster risk reduction and management council concerned are advised to take appropriate actions and watch for the next Severe Weather Bulletin to be issued at 11 AM today.				

Prepared by: RBB

Checked by: 



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DepEd ORDER
No. **43** s. 2012

**GUIDELINES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 66
(Prescribing Rules on the Cancellation or Suspension of Classes and Work
in Government Offices Due to Typhoons, Flooding, Other Weather
Disturbances, and Calamities)**

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned

1. The **Guidelines on the Implementation of Executive Order (EO) No. 66** dated January 9, 2012, entitled *"Prescribing Rules on the Cancellation or Suspension of Classes and Work in Government Offices Due to Typhoons, Flooding, Other Weather Disturbances and Calamities,"* is issued to streamline the procedure on the suspension of classes and work in government offices in times of typhoons, floods, and other disasters or calamities to spare the pupils, students, teachers and government workers and the general public from unnecessary dangers to their lives and limbs.

2. In compliance thereof, the following guidelines shall be observed by all concerned regional, division, and school officials of both public and private schools:

a. Automatic Cancellation/Suspension of Classes

All concerned DepEd officials and personnel are directed to observe the weather bulletins of the Philippine Atmospheric Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) announced through various media outlets (radio, television, and internet).

When Signal No. 1 is raised by PAGASA, **public and private preschool and kindergarten classes** in the affected areas shall be automatically cancelled or suspended.

When Signal No. 2 is raised by PAGASA, **public and private preschool, kindergarten, elementary and secondary classes** in the affected areas shall be automatically cancelled or suspended.

When Signal No. 3 is raised by PAGASA, **work in all DepEd offices** in the affected areas shall be automatically cancelled or suspended.

Depending on signal numbers declared at 10:00 p.m. and 4:30 a.m. of the following day, classes in appropriate levels for the whole day are deemed automatically cancelled/suspended.

Afternoon classes in the appropriate levels in areas with signal numbers declared at 11:00 a.m. that day are likewise automatically cancelled/suspended.

Teaching personnel handling cancelled or suspended classes are likewise allowed to leave their stations in consideration of the work they will need to undertake during make-up classes.

Heads of private schools shall exercise discretion on their teaching personnel handling cancelled or suspended classes.

b. Localized Cancellation/Suspension of Classes and Work

In the absence of typhoon signal warnings from PAGASA, localized cancellation/suspension of classes in both public and private schools and work in government offices may be implemented by local chief executives in their capacity as chairpersons of the Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (LDRRMC).

Concerned local DepEd and private school officials are directed to establish effective lines of communications with their respective local government units (LGUs).

Any decision to cancel or suspend classes must come from the local government. A school head (SH) may only cancel or suspend classes in cases where urgent action is needed to prevent loss of life or bodily harm.

As stated in Section 2 of EO No. 66, LGU officials are expected to announce cancellation or suspension not later than 4:30 a.m. for whole day cancellation or suspension, or not later than 11:00 a.m. for afternoon cancellation or suspension.

For this purpose, regional, division and school officials are hereby directed to communicate local situation with their respective counterpart local chief executive.

c. Cancellation/Suspension of Classes and Work During Other Calamities

Decisions on and subsequent announcement of cancellation/suspension of classes in public and private schools and work in government offices in areas affected by disasters or calamities other than typhoons, such as but not limited to floods, earthquakes, tsunamis and conflagration, shall be made by the local government executive as chairperson of the LDRRMC, in coordination with the National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council (NDRRMC), through all forms of mass media available under the circumstances.

d. Maintenance of Work Force

Regional and Division Offices shall activate their Regional or Division Disaster Risk Reduction Offices (DRRMO) to monitor the situation and keep lines of communications open.

e. Reporting

Standard reporting procedures between Regional and Division DRRMOs with the Central Office DRRMO applies.

Standard procedures in communicating with the LDRRMC and Regional Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council (RDRRMC) shall likewise apply.

f. Announcements

The DepEd spokesperson, regional directors (RDs), schools division/city superintendents (SDSs), central, regional and division communication officers, in interviews, should only confirm or re-echo automatic cancellation/suspension of classes after it is officially published by PAGASA. No announcement should originate from the Department. If interviewed by media, announcement should always be made in reference to what PAGASA has already announced in areas under a typhoon signal, and to local chief executives in the absence of a typhoon signal.

Based on Section 3 of EO No. 66, announcement of local cancellation/suspension of classes shall be made by the local chief executives. In cases where urgent action is needed to prevent loss of life or bodily harm, the school head is expected to make the announcement and subsequently inform the local executive.

g. Absences of Tropical Cyclones/Storm Signal Warning

In cases where PAGASA has not raised any storm signal warning or declared the presence of a tropical cyclone, Regional and Division DRRMOs are directed to communicate with their counterpart RDRRMC and LDRRMC for any decision to cancel or suspend classes in their respective locality.

h. Responsibility of Parents

The DepEd still maintains that parents have the ultimate responsibility for determining whether their children should go to school, even if no order for cancellation/suspension of classes has been issued, if they feel that traveling to or from school will place their children at risks.

Parents are advised to check for media advisories coming from PAGASA, NDRRMC, RDRRMCs, LDRRMCs or the Office of the President itself.

3. Parents and teachers are reminded that the required number of school days for the school year shall be considered especially in holding make-up classes to offset the days when classes are cancelled/suspended. These make-up classes shall be held on Saturdays or on weekdays beyond the originally set school calendar in both public and private schools.

4. School officials, members of the DRRMCs in schools designated as evacuation centers are requested to render service even when classes are suspended. They shall coordinate with the local government official on rules, orders, and guidelines prescribed for evacuation centers.

5. All previous orders and regulations relevant to the cancellation/suspension of classes due to any weather disturbance or calamities are rescinded.
6. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Order is directed.



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Secretary

Reference: DepEd Order: No. 81, s. 2010

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

CALAMITY
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APA/DO- Guidelines of EO No. 66
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