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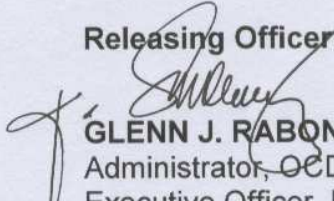
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NDCC UPDATE

Initial Report re Minor Flooding and Landslide in Catanduanes

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Situation Overview

- Governor Joseph C Cua of Catanduanes Province DPWH 5 has confirmed that the continuous heavy rains which occurred since last night triggered the occurrence of landslide and flooding along the Circumferential Road in said province
- Sections affected by landslide were Brgy Sipi, Bato; Bato-Linao; Tilod, Baras and Banabanaan in Caramoran; and 2 sections along Baras-Gigmoto Road.
- One electric post in Viga-Bagamanoc Road collapsed due to landslide
- Minor floodings occurred in front of BMC Hospital in Virac. However, floodwater has already subsided with no report of damage.
- No casualty was reported in relation to landslide incident

Road Condition as of 3:00 PM today, 7 January 2008.

- **Virac-San Andres Road section** – passable until the area of Panabanaon as the chokepoint of the heavy landslide in the area
- **San Andres Caramoran –Pandan Road sections** – impassable due to the chokepoint at the Panabanaon area which is totally under debris of mud, gravel and vegetation.
- **Virac-San Miguel Road section** – The Balongbong area has been blocked again by debris. This section has an intermittent occurrence of landslides. Hence all types of vehicles can not pass this section and commuters are now using the Bato River to traverse
- **Virac –Bato Baras Road sections** - passable until Bagumbayan, Baras and with landslide at Tilod and Batolinao all of Baras
- **Baras –Gigmoto Road section** - impassable due to landslide at Barangay Agban
- **Gigmoto-Viga Road section** -impassable due to landslide at Barangay Villa Aurora.

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- **Viga - Bagamanoc Road** - now passable to motorists as road clearing operations is ongoing.

Actions Taken

- The First Electric Cooperative Catanduanes is currently undergoing repair of collapsed post in Viga – Bagamanoc. Electricity is still cut off until the post is fixed.
- DPWH is past tracking the clearing operations in all landslides areas and monitoring all vitals reports and situations including warning generations for all threats caused by the intermittent bad weather.

Issues and Concern

- Catanduanes Province is now low on petroleum and LPG supplies due to the rough seas. There is an intermittent power outage in the entire island.