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Effects of Tropical Depression "Winnie"
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A. Background

The continuous monsoon rains brought about by Tropical Depression "Winnie" triggered massive floodings in the low-lying areas of the provinces of Bulacan, Nueva Ecija, Aurora, Quezon, Camarines Norte, Rizal and Metro Manila particularly Quezon City, Marikina City, San Juan and Malabon affecting 37,418 families or 168,214 persons in 114 barangays of 31 municipalities. These had also resulted to 182 persons deaths and 27 injured.

The floodwaters ranging from five (5) meters to knee/house-deep rendered roads and bridges impassable to all types of vehicles.

B. Emergency Management Activities

1. Damage and Needs Assessment

1.1 Profile of Areas and Population Affected (Source : Local DCCs)

Region/Province	No. of Mun	No of Bgys	Affected	
			Fam	Per
Region II	3	18	424	1,793
Isabela	3	18	424	1,793
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Region III	23	83	33,123	148,566
Bulacan	10	35	8,515	51,087
Nueva Ecija	8			
Cabanatuan City		40	12,556	35,130
Palayan City		8	1,086	4,837
Aurora	5		10,966	57,511



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Region IV	6	6	1,409	7,045
Quezon (for validation)	3	1		
Rizal	3	5	1,409	7,045
Region V	1			
Camarines Sur	1			
NCR	2	7	2,462	10,810
Metro Manila	2			
Marikina City		4	722	3,610
Quezon City		1	40	200
Pasig City		2	1,700	6,800
Grand –Total	31	114	37,418	168,214

Note:

During the passage of Tropical Depression Winnie, there were 584 passengers, and 17 rolling cargoes stranded in the terminals of Tabaco, Albay; Virac, Catanduanes; and Sabang, Camarines Sur, all in Region V.

1.2 Profile of Casualties (Source: Local DCCs)

Region/Province	Dead	Injured	Missing
Region II			
Isabela	1		2
Region III			
Aurora	22		
Bulacan	5		
Region IV			
Quezon (Real-114, Infanta-9, Gen. Nakar-16)	139	20	43
Rizal	13	4	
Region V			
Camarines Norte	2	3	
Grand Total	182	27	45

1.3 Damaged Agriculture (Fisheries and Others)

Provinces	Infrastructure	Agriculture (rice, corn vege, livestock)	Others /Fisheries	Total
Region II				
Isabela		P16,559,583.00	2,855,520.00	P19,415,103.00
Total		P16,559,583.00	2,855,520.00	P19,415,103.00

1.4 Damaged Infrastructure (Roads and Bridges)



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Nueva Ecija-Aurora Road

Bgy Delike, San Luis (km203+500) – cut roadways (12 m)

Gabalдон-Dingalan Road

Langawan Bridge at Caragsakan Section (km 179+494) -scoured and cut bridge approaches

Water Point Overflow Bridge in Bgy Butas na Bato, Dingalan (km 181+492)- cut at the middle section of the bridge (washed –out

Nueva Ecija

Tablang-Gabalдон Road - detour road washed-out

Cuyapa Bridge No. 2 and Sawmill Bridge - both approaches washed-out

Viga Bridge No 2 in Bongabon-Rizal Road – south approach washed-out

1.5 Damaged Houses (Source: Local DCCs)

Provinces	Totally	Partially
Region III	107	10
Bulacan	56	10
Cabanatuan City	51	
Region IV	55	
Rizal	55	
Sub- Total	162	10

1.6 Needs Assessment

Real, Quezon

Food, potable water, milk, medicines, lime and cadaver bags

2. Search and Rescue (SAR) Operations

- Emergency responders in the affected regions were immediately mobilized for the conduct of search and rescue operations in the flood- and landslide-stricken areas.
- A total of 939 families or 2,786 persons were evacuated to 30 designated evacuation centers .

3. Relief Operations

3.1 OCD-NDCC

- Facilitated the release of 2,500 sacks of rice amounting to P2,000,000.00 from the National Food Authority to the local government units of the provinces of Camarines Norte, Aurora, Quezon and Bulacan to augment the ongoing relief operations in said provinces.



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- The Department of Health- HEMS provided 200 cadaver bags and five (5) bags of lime at 40 kilos each bag intended for the recovered bodies from the landslide site in Infanta and Real, Quezon.
- Likewise, the NDCC purchased 200 pieces of cadaver bags from J-4, AFP also intended for Real and Infanta, Quezon.

Region III

- The PDCC of Aurora provided 150 sacks of rice to the Municipality of Dingalan.
- The LGUs of San Miguel, Bulacan distributed 30 sacks of sugar, 15 boxes of coffee and 20 boxes of noodles.

3.2 Extent of Assistance as of 01 December 2004 - P7,648,534.00

Agencies	Region III	Region IV-B	Region V	Total
NDCC (2,500 sacks rice) (Special Fund)	(550) P440,000.00 -	(1,550) P 1,240,000.00 P 3,000,000.00	(400) P320,000.00 -	P2,000,000.00 P3,000,000.00
DSWD (relief goods) (Cash Assistance) (Standby funds)	P 697,700.00 600,000.00 300,000.00	180,625.00 300,000.00 -	- 500,000.00 -	P 878,325.00 P1,400,000.00 P 300,000.00
LGUs	55,219.00	15,000.00	-	70,209.00
Total	P2,092,919.00	P4,735,625.00	P820,000.00	P7,648,534.00

4. Search and Rescue Operations

- The emergency responders from the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), other agencies and local DCCs concerned were dispatched to the flood and landslide-stricken provinces of Nueva Ecija, Aurora, Quezon, Bulacan and Rizal.
- The elements of AFP Units like the 7th. and 2nd Infantry Divisions of the Philippine Army, 51st Engineer Brigade, SOLCOM and Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), as well as the civilian government and non- government units like Kabalikat conducted search and rescue operations in the above provinces.
- The NRCOM, volunteer groups from CDCC Makati, and the CLAB Rescue of Malabon and Navotas immediately dispatched their respective rescue teams with rubber boats and M-35 trucks to conduct SAR operations in the affected areas of Quezon City and Marikina City.



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- Nine (9) Helicopters from the Philippine Air Force participated in the search and rescue efforts.
- One (1) helicopter from the PCG airlifted one (1) truckload of PNRC and DSWD relief goods to Real and Infanta, Quezon.
- Two (2) Helicopters from the PCG airlifted 14 victims from Real, Quezon to East Avenue Medical Center in Quezon City and Philippine General Hospital in Manila. These persons suffered serious injuries.

Region III

- Coordinated with 7th Infantry Division, Fort Magsaysay for the availability of one (1) Helicopter for Gapan, Nueva Ecija and one (1) Helicopter for Dingalan, Aurora.
- The Alert Rescue Team with three (3) dump trucks is on standby in Bulacan for possible evacuation.
- The 7th and 56th Infantry Brigade, PNP Contingent, Olongapo Rescue Team and LGU of Cabanatuan City conducted rescue operations in Gapan and San Leonardo, Nueva Ecija.
- The Philippine Navy Team from Manila with three (3) rubber boats, three (3) M35 trucks and an amphibious truck proceeded to Gapan-San Leonardo, Nueva Ecija to augment the SAR operations.
- PDCC Nueva Ecija Rescue Team led by Mr Lorenzo Burgos together with the deputized coordinator assisted in the conduct of SAR operations in Gabaldon, Nueva Ecija.

5. Status of Roads and Bridges

Region III

- Maharlika Highway north and south direction of San Miguel, Bulacan– impassable to all types of vehicles
- Maharlika Highway, Meycauyan – impassable to light vehicles
- Gapan-San Leonardo Bridge – impassable to all types of vehicles
- Bongabon-Bangkerohan Bridge – impassable to all types of vehicles
- Sapang Buho Bridge in Palayan City- impassable to all types of vehicles.