

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 56 -2019

SUSPENDING WORK IN ALL GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE OFFICES AND CLASSES IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN ALL LEVELS IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA ON NOVEMBER 15, 2019 TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL ISABELEÑOS FROM THE EXPECTED EFFECTS OF TROPICAL DEPRESSION/STORM "RAMON" IN THE PROVINCE

Whereas, it is the policy of the State to uphold the people's constitutional right to life and property by addressing the root causes of vulnerabilities to disasters, strengthening the country's institutional capacity for disaster risk reduction and management (DRRM) and building the resilience of local communities to disasters, including climate change impacts;

Whereas, Tropical Depression/Storm "Ramon" is expected to dump heavy rainfall within its diameter, and is expected to cause flooding in low-lying areas and along the province's major river systems and tributaries, making several overflow bridges unpassable;

Whereas, according to the latest weather bulletin by PAGASA, TS Ramon is expected to make landfall between Isabela- Cagayan on Saturday and will bring occasional heavy rains in the area starting Friday, 15 November 2019;

Whereas, for the past two weeks continuous rains have caused rivers to swell, flooding low-lying areas and resulting in near-submerged bridges and causing fears of erosion and landslides in areas in Isabela:

Whereas, RA 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, empowers the Governor to carry out emergency measures as may be necessary during and in the aftermath of disasters and calamities;

Whereas, it is the duty of the Provincial Government of Isabela to ensure the safety of all residents of Isabela, to prevent accidents or any untoward incidents at the the onset and during typhoons;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODOLFO T, ALBANO III, Governor of the Province of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Law, and in view of the foregoing, do hereby issue this Order SUSPENDING WORK IN ALL GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE OFFICES AND CLASSES IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN ALL LEVELS IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA ON NOVEMBER 15, 2019 TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL ISABELEÑOS FROM THE EXPECTED EFFECTS OF TROPICAL DEPRESSION/STORM "RAMON" IN THE PROVINCE.

However, all government hospitals and offices whose functions involve the delivery of basic health services, calamity response/preparedness measures, and other vital public services including but not limited to the Police, Army, Communications, rescue and emergency response units, shall continue to operate with optimal efficiency.

Let all heads of all schools and offices in Isabela be furnished copies of this Executive Order.

Issued this 14th day of November 2019 in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.



