

## LASAC SITUATION REPORT (SITREP) NO. 27

<b>PROGRAMME TITLE</b>	Taal Volcano Eruption, Batangas Province, PH.
<b>PROGRAMME LOCATION</b>	Province of Batangas
<b>DATE COVERED</b>	January 25, 2020 (as of 8:00 pm)
<b>SITREP NUMBER</b>	27
<b>SUBMITTED BY</b>	Lipa Archdiocesan Social Action Commission, Inc.

### I. Situation Overview

#### A. Taal Volcano Bulletin

Per the latest mobile conference of the Malasakit para sa Batangas Command Center with PHIVOLCS-DOST this evening, there has been a total of four hundred six (406) volcanic earthquakes, eleven (11) low-frequency earthquakes and three (3) volcanic tremors.

Date	Volcanic Earthquakes	Tremors	Low-Frequency Earthquakes	SO2 Emissions
January 23	467	24	8	141
January 24	486	20	4	224
January 25	420	3	11	409
<b>TREND</b>	↓	↓	↑	↑

Based on the seismic trends for the past three (3) days, there has been a dwindling or downward movement in volcanic earthquakes and tremors, while a rise in low-frequency earthquakes and sulfur dioxide emission was observable.

These intense volcanic activities likely signify continuous magmatic intrusion beneath the Taal edifice which may lead to further eruptive activity. It is for this reason that Alert Level 4 remains to be in effect over Taal volcano. This means that hazardous explosive eruption is possible within hours to days.

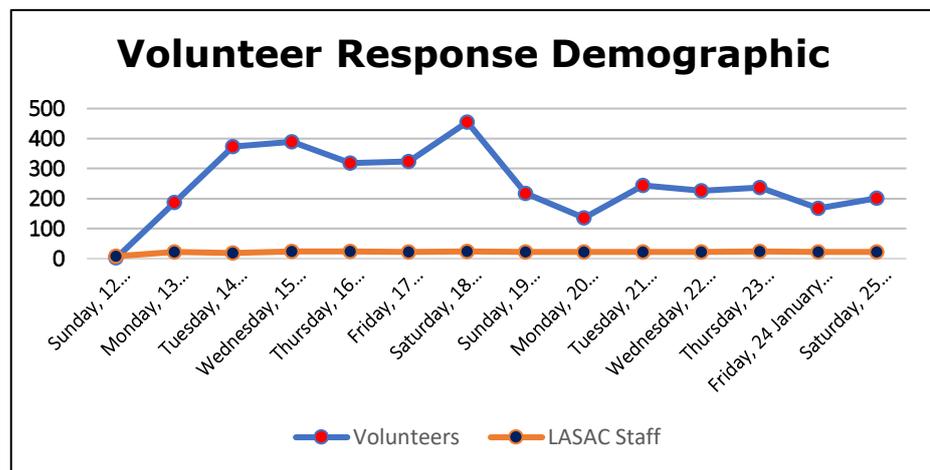
#### B. Rapid Assessment

- Several adjustments and mobilizations were reported in most evacuation centers as local authorities prepare for the impending resume of classes.

- The shift in weather patterns have further reinforced the need for thermal sleeping kits and thermal wearables to combat the drop in temperatures brought by the rainy and overcast weather in most parts of the province.

### C. Volunteer Management

- *Volunteer Response Slightly Increased.* A slight increase in volunteers was recorded, with two hundred two (202) persons in attendance as compared to yesterday's one hundred sixty-eight (168) volunteers.



The slight increase may have been caused by the usual weekend scenario, in view of the availability of volunteers. This trend however is much lower as compared to the volunteer response on Friday last week, dated January 17, 2020 where 323 volunteers signed-up.

## II. Response

### A. Incoming and Outgoing Relief

- In-kind relief has a monetized value of ₱14,924,991.80 while cash donations amounted to ₱6,966,307.56
- A total number of 234,467 individuals benefitted from the humanitarian efforts and relief services of the Archdiocese for over nine hundred (900) evacuation centers all over the province. Further categorized are the following:

<b>Evacuation Category</b>	<b>Reliefs disbursed by RCAL for Individuals</b>
Local Government	149,907
Archdiocese of Lipa	70,153
Interfaith and Interreligious	2,487
Private Organizations	11,920

## **B. Psychosocial intervention, liturgy and prayer**

- A psychological first aid intervention was integrated administered in the medical mission at the Mary Mediatrix of All Grace Parish in Antipolo del Norte, Lipa City. This is spearheaded and initiated by the Commission on Healthcare, Sr. Analiza Balita, MD., of the Missionary Catechists of the Sacred Heart.

Thirty-nine (39) psychological first aid responders were deployed in the medical mission to assist to provide psychosocial interventions for both adult and children.

## **III. Coordination**

- The humanitarian response of the Archdiocese was made more efficient by the coordination and support of the following:
  - Ayala Homeowners Mandaluyong
  - Okazaki Filipino Community in Japan
  - Philippine Media Group of Publications
  - Children Mission Philippines (Manila)
  - Provincial Government of Pampanga

## **IV. Pledges and Contributions**

- Tanging Yaman Foundation shared a generous quantity of brand-new clothes for the severely affected IDPs in evacuation camps. This is made possible through a partnership and consortium with Golden ABC Corporation, the mother company of Penshoppe who donated 130 boxes of brand-new clothes coordinated through Rev. Fr. Manoling Francisco, SJ.
- In response to the expression of support and intent to help, along with the needs of the survivors and internally displaced persons (IDPs) in the Taal relief efforts, we encourage the donation of the following items:

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| 1. Thermal sleeping kits | 8. Rubber mats   |
| 2. N-95 masks            | 9. Ready-to-eat food packs   |
| 3. Nebulizer kits        | 10. Tents and shelter materials  |
| 4. Hygiene kits          | 11. Medicines (anti-hypertension, cough remedies, antihistamine, anti-vertigo) |
| 5. Portalets             |  |
| 6. Water purifiers       |  |
| 7. Water containers      |  |

## V. Media and Communications

The Lipa Archdiocesan Social Action Commission, Inc. (LASAC) continue to provide updates of the humanitarian response, entitled, ***"Malasakit para sa Batangas"*** through its social media accounts and website, while coordinating with the social communications commission of the archdiocese, along with other local and national broadcasting system.

To make massive the dissemination of information, an update from the command center shall be issued every three (3) hours on-air, per the latest communication with the Archdiocesan Social Communications Commission through Rev. Fr. Ildefonso Dimaano.

The Catholic Media Network (CMN) and Veritas Radio 846 has likewise been in close coordination with the Archdiocese of Lipa, specifically with the Networking and Information Cluster of the Malasakit para sa Batangas Command Center for updates and information drive. The latter assures that news sources and situation reports are widely and massively disseminated.

## VI. Photos



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