

APPEAL FOR SUPPORT FOR AFFECTED FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS BY TYPHOON SANTI (INTERNATIONAL NAME: NARI)

According to the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) about 219, 591 individuals or 46, 295 families were affected by Typhoon Santi (International Name: Nari) when it hit the Philippines. Storm warnings were already lifted as Santi exited the Philippine area of responsibility on Sunday morning, leaving 13 individuals dead.



<http://newsinfo.inquirer.net/505501/5-killed-as-santi-slams-luzon-ndrrmc>

Santi is the 19th storm to hit the country. The heavy rains and flooding generated by the typhoon brought devastation to livelihood and infrastructure, especially in Nueva Ecija, Tarlac, Pangasinan and Zambales in Central Luzon. The provinces in the region serve as the rice granary of the country. Houses were destroyed when trees fell on them and also roads were blocked by fallen trees.



<http://www.bubblews.com/news/1322068-typhoon-santi-aftermath>

The Department of Agriculture - Central Luzon reported that 45,000 hectares of rice fields ready for harvest were damaged. Agricultural damages amounted to P2.9 billion according to Citizen's Disaster Response Center (CDRC). Government officials are now talking about importing rice.



<http://www.philippinenews.com/ts/13551-8-dead-millions-without-power-in-wake-of-typhoon-santi.html>

To date, there are 11,000 evacuees and 2.1 million are still without electricity.

Contractual workers complained that they were not able to get their weekly wages due to power outages from Friday until weekend due to heavy rains and flood.

According to Gary Hernandez, Chairperson of Workers' Alliance in Region III and Board member of Kapatiran (Filipino-German Friendship

Society) in Pampanga alone a total of 2,353 workers from steel, garment, tiles, aluminum, etc factories were not able to report for work for two days due to heavy rains, flood and power outages and the total loss in wages is 1,581,216 pesos if based only on daily minimum wage. Those factories that have unions are now negotiating with the employers that they get their wages for two days. They are still waiting for reports on the workers; situation from other provinces.

Most of the areas where the workers live were also underwater.

The Kapatiran (Filipino-German Friendship Society) is asking for donations for survivors of typhoon Santi in Central Luzon. They need ready to eat food, water, sleeping kits, hygiene kits and medicines. Cash donations will also be appreciated.

Send your donations to:

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114 Timog Avenue, Quezon City,
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