May 13, 2020

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 69, s. 2020

PREPARATION FOR TYPHOON AMBO

TO : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
    SGOD and CID Chiefs  
    Public Schools District Supervisors  
    Secondary Cluster Heads  
    Division DRRM Coordinator and Alternates  
    District and Cluster DRRM Coordinators  
    Sorsogon Division Association of DRRM Coordinators (SoDADCo)  
    Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
    School DRRM Coordinators  
    All others concerned

Please be advised that the Department of Education (DepEd) Schools Division Office (SDO) of the Province of Sorsogon is implementing all preparedness, prevention and mitigation measures in anticipation for possible impacts of the forecasted Typhoon Ambo which is expected to affect Bicol Region between Thursday (May 14, 2020) afternoon and Friday (May 15, 2020) morning.

In view of the foregoing, please be guided of the following:

1. All school heads, public schools district supervisors, cluster heads and division, district and cluster Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM) coordinators and their alternates are directed secure to monitor the Severe Weather Bulletins issued by PAGASA and furnish
updates regarding evacuation activities and other DRRM-related information and concerns in their area of responsibility and refrain from sharing unconfirmed, unofficial and fake news.

2. School heads and school DRRM coordinators to coordinate with the concerned LGU (municipal and barangay) and their corresponding local chief executives (mayor and punong barangay) for the utilization of classrooms as evacuation centers especially those schools identified both as COVID-19 quarantine facility and evacuation center. The concerned LGU will be responsible for camp and facility management including enforcement of DOH protocols on COVID-19. The school administration will be responsible for the submission of required reports of DepEd such as but not limited to RADaR, schools used for quarantine monitoring sheet, among others.

3. School heads and their school DRRM coordinators are instructed to monitor and lead in securing their schools and DepEd properties. Likewise, they are expected to use the Rapid Assessment of Damages Report (RADaR) 1 and 2, following the usual reporting protocol and send to RADAR hotlines 0928-871-8053 (Smart) or 0915-205-3244 (Globe). Both reporting means, e.g. SMS and hard copy will be utilized as redundancy measure. For any technical assistance, contact the Division DRRM Coordinator Joseph John J. Perez on mobile number 0918-944-3656 and at e-mail address josephpjohn.perez@deped.gov.ph.

Expenses relative to this directive are chargeable against Division/School MOOE/local funds subject to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this memorandum are desired.

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