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Main issue

In the aftermath of Super Typhoon Haiyan (local name 'Yolanda'), which made landfall on 8 November, the main priority is to deliver food assistance to those living in the most affected areas while simultaneously laying the foundation for a shift to more targeted interventions that help people rebuild their lives.

WFP Emergency Response

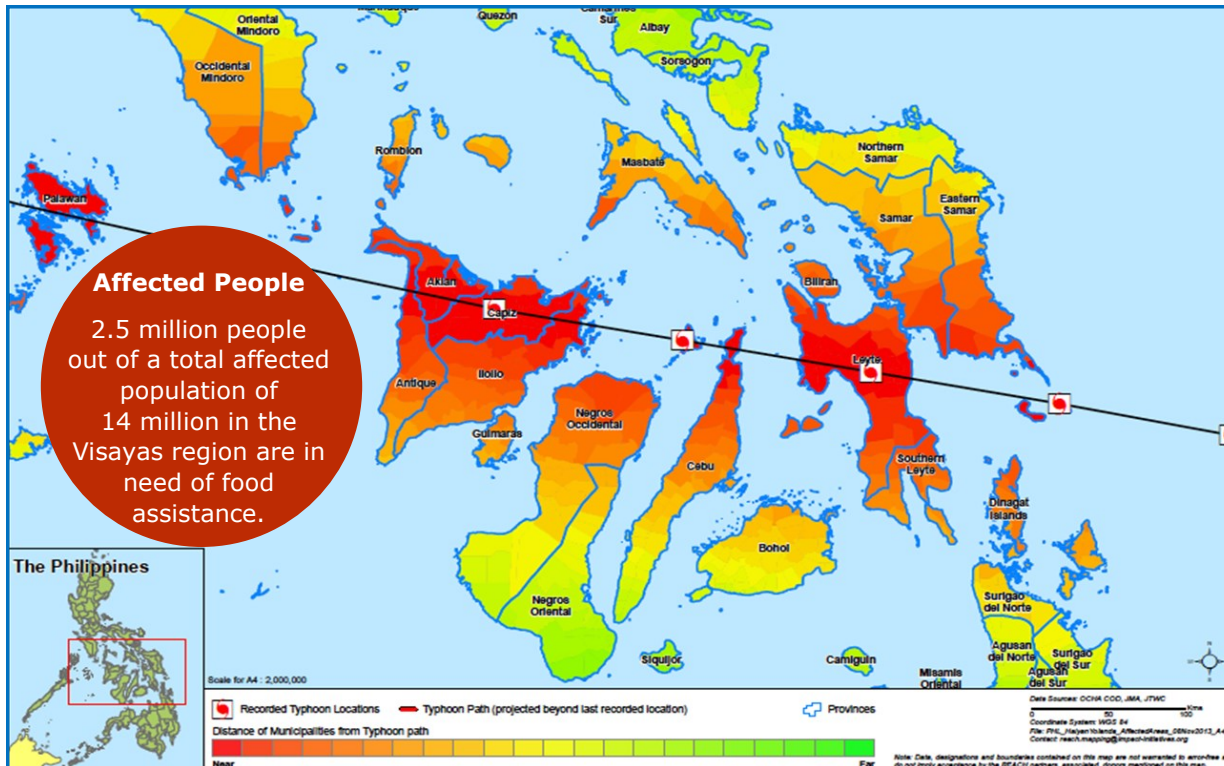
Three types of WFP food assistance are being provided: 3kg rice included in the Government Family Packs; bulk rice sacks being dispatched to municipalities; and high-energy biscuits (HEB).

Needs: A multi-cluster initial rapid assessment was conducted and supports the initial estimate that 2.5 million people are in need of food assistance.

Response: In the first three weeks of the emergency response, WFP is using geographic targeting to reach people in the most affected areas with blanket food assistance. WFP rice and biscuits are being delivered across Tacloban, Ormoc, Roxas, Guiuan and remote islets and coastal communities, through ongoing government distributions as well as direct deliveries of rice and biscuits.

Gaps and Constraints: Rapid delivery of food has been hampered by difficult conditions on the ground. Many areas suffered severe damage making access and communication challenging. Local government units that would normally respond were also affected.

Staff Deployment: 130 staff have been deployed globally to the Philippines as part of WFP's response to the typhoon.



Logistics

WFP has deployed an array of logistics assets – land, air, and sea – to augment the delivery of humanitarian assistance.

UNHRD has dispatched a total of 1,152 metric tons of food assistance and relief items (tents, newborn and hygiene kits, IT equipment) for 20 partners, including UN agencies, NGOs and governments.

UNHAS has transported 292 humanitarian passengers and 2.49 metric tons of relief cargo with 70 flights to 9 locations.

Nutrition

Together with UNICEF, WFP and cluster partners are implementing interventions to prevent acute malnutrition and micronutrient deficiencies among vulnerable children and mothers.

WFP Resourcing/Shortfalls

The US\$88 million Emergency Operation is almost 50 percent resourced having received US\$44.6 million.

The US\$12.8 million Special Operation is fully funded. A US\$9.8 million Budget Revision is currently underway to include additional requirements which will bring total requirements for the SO to US\$22.6 million.

The Food Security and Agriculture Cluster which WFP co-leads with FAO requires US\$1.7 million.

Global Humanitarian Funding

Haiyan Action Plan (HAP)
US\$301 million

*The HAP is due to be revised on 9 December.

WFP Funding Appeal
US\$103 million

- Food Assistance: US\$88 million
- Logistics/Emergency Telecommunications Cluster: US\$12.8 million
- Food Security and Agriculture Cluster: US\$1.7 million