



SEVERE WEATHER BULLETIN #5

FOR: TROPICAL DEPRESSION "OFEL" TROPICAL CYCLONE: WARNING

ISSUED AT 5:00 AM, 14 October 2020

(Valid for broadcast until the next bulletin to be issued at 8 AM today)

TROPICAL DEPRESSION "OFEL" MAKES LANDFALL OVER CAN-AVID, EASTERN SAMAR.

Landfall:

- The center of Tropical Depression "OFEL" made its first landfall in the vicinity of Can-avid, Eastern Samar at 2:30 AM today and is currently crossing the Samar Island.

Track and intensity outlook:

- Track:** On the forecast track, "OFEL" will cross the Samar Island and emerge over the Samar Sea this morning. Afterwards, the tropical depression will move west-northwestward over the inland seas of Southern Luzon and may pass close or over Masbate, Romblon, and Mindoro Provinces. It is likely to emerge over the West Philippine Sea on tomorrow morning and exit the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR) on Friday afternoon.
- Intensity:** "OFEL" is forecast to remain a tropical depression while crossing the Samar Island-Southern Luzon area. After crossing Mindoro Island tomorrow morning, this weather disturbance is forecast to intensify into a tropical storm.

Hazards affecting land areas:

Rainfall:

- Today through tomorrow morning: "OFEL" will bring moderate to heavy rains over Bicol Region, Northern Samar, Eastern Samar, Samar, Marinduque, Romblon, Quezon, Batangas, and Mindoro Provinces. Light to moderate with at times heavy rains will also be experienced over Metro Manila, Aurora, Bataan, Pampanga, Bulacan, and the rest of CALABARZON due to "OFEL" and over most of Mindanao due to the Southwest Monsoon.
- Flooding (including flashfloods) and rain-induced landslides may occur during heavy or prolonged rainfall especially in areas that are highly or very highly susceptible to these hazards. PAGASA Regional Services Divisions may issue local thunderstorm/rainfall advisories and heavy rainfall warnings as appropriate.

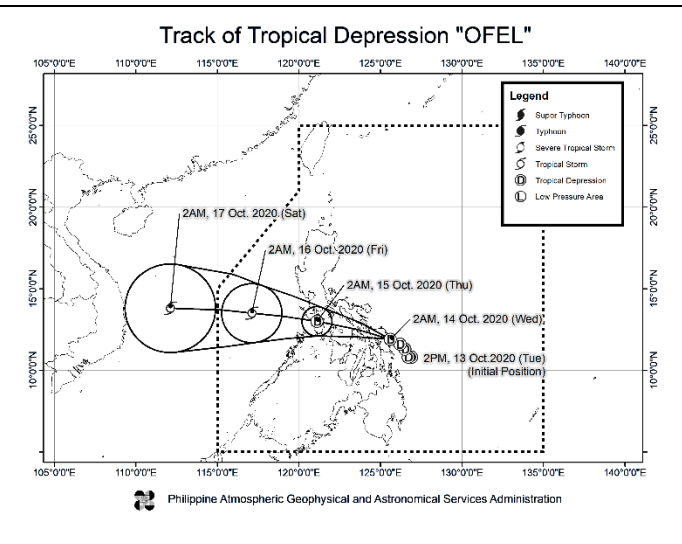
Winds:

- Strong- to near gale-force winds will be experienced in areas under Tropical Cyclone Wind Signal (TCWS) #1 during the passage of the tropical depression. Details of potential wind damage can be found on the TCWS section of this bulletin.
- Occasional gusts associated with the northeasterly surface wind flow enhanced by "OFEL" and Tropical Storm "NANGKA" (outside PAR) may be experienced over Batanes, the northern and eastern portions of Cagayan (including Babuyan Islands), the northern portions of Apayao, Ilocos Norte, and Quezon, the eastern portion of Isabela, and Aurora, especially in coastal and mountainous areas.

Hazards affecting coastal waters:

- Gale Warning is in effect over the seaboard of Batanes and Ilocos Norte and the northern seaboard of Cagayan including Babuyan Islands due to rough seas (2.8 to 4.0 m) associated with the northeasterly surface wind flow. Sea travel is risky over these areas, especially for those using small seacrafts.
- Moderate to rough seas (2.1 to 3.7 m) due to "OFEL" will be experienced over the eastern seaboard of Luzon and Visayas in the next 24 hours, especially in areas where TCWS#1 is in effect. Those with small seacrafts are advised not to venture out to sea over these areas.

Location of eye/center	At 4:00 AM today, the center of Tropical Depression "OFEL" was estimated based on all available data in the vicinity of Bobon, Northern Samar (12.4°N, 124.5°E) .
Strength	Maximum sustained winds of 45 km/h near the center and gustiness of up to 55 km/h .
Movement	Moving West Northwestward at 20 km/h .
Forecast Positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24 Hour (Tomorrow morning): In the vicinity of Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro (13°N, 121.1°E) 48 Hour (Friday morning): 440 km West of Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro (13.5°N, 117.1°E) 72 Hour (Saturday morning): 980 km West of Southern Luzon (OUTSIDE PAR) (13.8°N, 112.1°E)



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TROPICAL CYCLONE WIND SIGNAL

TCWS	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao	Impacts of the wind
1 (30-60 km/h winds prevailing or expected in 36 hours)	The southern portion of Batangas (Batangas City, Ibaan, Padre Garcia, Rosario, San Juan, Taysan, Lobo), the southern portion of Quezon (Tagkawayan, Guinayangan, Calauag, Alabat, Perez, Quezon, San Francisco, San Andres, San Narciso, Mulanay, Buenavista, Lopez, General Luna, Gumaca, Macalelon, Pitogo, Unisan, Plaridel, Atimonan, Agdangan, Padre Burgos, Lucena City, Pagbilao, Candelaria, Sariaya, Tiaong, San Antonio, Tayabas City, Dolores, Catanauan), Oriental Mindoro, Marinduque, Romblon, Camarines Norte, Camarines Sur, Catanduanes, Albay, Sorsogon, and Masbate (including Ticao and Burias Islands)	Northern Samar, Eastern Samar, Samar, Biliran, and the northern portion of Leyte (Tabango, Leyte, San Isidro, Calubian, Capoocan, Carigara, Jaro, Pastrana, Dagami, Tabontabon, Tanauan, Palo, Santa Fe, Alangalang, Tacloban City, Babatngon, San Miguel, Barugo, Tunga)	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very light or no damage to low risk structures, • Light damage to medium to high risk structures • Slight damage to some houses of very light materials or makeshift structures in exposed communities. Some banana plants are tilted, a few downed and leaves are generally damaged • Twigs of small trees may be broken. • Rice crops, however, may suffer significant damage when it is in its flowering stage.

The public and the disaster risk reduction and management council concerned are advised to take appropriate actions and watch for the next Severe Weather Bulletin to be issued at 8 AM today.

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