



TYPHOON MANGKHUT, PHILIPPINES

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Overview of Disaster

Typhoon Mangkhut, locally known as “Ompong”, made landfall on 15 September 2018 with maximum sustained winds of up to 205 km/h and gusts up to 285 km/h. About 3 million persons or (more than 730,000 families) were affected in 5,917 barangays. 82 people were reported to have lost their lives and 138 people were injured.

In Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR), the typhoon affected about 171,932 farmers. The total estimated cost of damage to agriculture was estimated at USD535million¹.

World Vision Relief Response

World Vision conducted an emergency relief distribution where about **20,455 people received help with hygiene kits and basic survival items. Two Child-Friendly Spaces** in Benguet were set up to provide psychosocial support to affected children. **About 174 families received shelter repair kits and shelter rebuilding support** in early recovery.

World Vision Recovery Response

World Vision continues to work in Mangkhut-affected communities in Cagayan, supporting families in their early recovery. To date, the organization has reached a total of 11,409 households or about 45,636 individuals through the following activities:

1. Provision of rice and corn seeds to farmers with 0.5 hectares of land and below
 - Seeds and early agricultural recovery support were provided to **350 farming families, more than 25% above the original target**
2. Provision of vegetable seeds to **488 landless farm labourers and 209 shelter beneficiaries**
 - Seeds included bitter melon, okra, tomatoes and luffa.
 - Provision of Good Agricultural Practices training for backyard gardening skills to increase food supply and provide crops for sale. Training covered topics such as site selection, land preparation, mulching, crop establishment, nutrient management, weed management and water management.
3. Facilitated access to shelter repair materials for **320 beneficiaries** through in-kind and value vouchers for items such as hammers, hand saws, and lumber



Beneficiaries receive plywood and iron sheet

¹ World Vision Situation Report, 27 Jul 2019

4. Provision of Cash for Work and Cash for Training to **497 beneficiaries**, allowing them to receive cash and at the same time repair their damaged shelters/houses
 - Trainings included: Disaster Risk Reduction, agricultural based entrepreneurship, child protection, and responsible parenting
5. Conducted Build Back Better workshops for **320 beneficiaries** to teach locals new foundation and pillaring techniques crucial for stronger houses which can withstand future typhoons
6. Provision of Shelter Construction Assistance by facilitating access to 40 local carpenters to help families achieve the right processes and standards



World Vision Build Back Better Workshop

Story: Back On Their Feet

Neighbors Jay, 36, and Enrico, 43, are two of the thousands of fathers who were deeply worried after Typhoon Mangkhut struck.

“I remember going back to our house the day after the typhoon ravaged our town, Alcala. I was dumbfounded by the devastation. I rummaged through the rubbles and tried to salvage whatever I could to start a makeshift house,” recalls Jay, a construction worker and father of two.

Enrico, on the other hand, is a farmer whose corn field was destroyed by Typhoon Mangkhut. His house was also not spared.



In the days following Typhoon Mangkhut, World Vision mobilized its response team to provide emergency essentials to the most affected families. In Cagayan, more than 300 families, including Jay and Enrico’s, were provided with shelter support like corrugated iron sheets and plywood. They were able to procure other shelter materials through cash vouchers and through World Vision’s cash-for-work (CFW) programme that earned them P2500 (USD48). The CFW programme lasted 10 days where shelter beneficiaries worked for at least four hours each day to rebuild their house, with the supervision of skilled carpenters.

“Enrico helped me in the construction of my house through this cash-for-work programme. Now, my children are comfortable in our new space. I have also received vegetable seeds. Most of my harvest were used for family consumption but I was also able to sell some of the vegetables like cabbage,” smiles Jay.

Almost six months on, both fathers have slowly got back on their feet and they are beyond grateful for the people who generously helped them recover.



Moving forward

We thank you for coming alongside us to serve children and families affected by this disaster. World Vision continues to be a frontrunner in the humanitarian response space, and we treasure your partnership which allows us to help those in greatest need.

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