



# TYPHOONS GONI, MOLAVE & VAMCO PHILIPPINES AND VIETNAM

#1 / Progress Report (Three Months On)

#### **OVERVIEW OF DISASTER**

Towards the end of 2020, the Philippines and Vietnam both suffered from an onslaught of multiple typhoons. From October to November 2020, both countries each experienced eight storms and severe flooding. This included Typhoon Molave which was the strongest storm to hit Vietnam in 20 years as well as Super Typhoon Goni which had wind strengths comparable to that of Typhoon Haiyan when it made landfall in the Philippines.



Few days after Super Typhoon Goni left the Philippine landmass, battering the populous island of Luzon, Typhoon Vamco struck the country, further aggravating the situation of families. Typhoon Vamco also subsequently moved to Vietnam. Aside from the devastating impact of the typhoons, the threat of COVID-19 pandemic was also a lingering concern of the affected families.

### WORLD VISION'S RELIEF RESPONSE

With the support of international and local donors and supporters, World Vision was able to support over 64,000 individuals in Philippines and 141,773 people in Vietnam, including but not limited to:

### IN THE PHILIPPINES

- **7,724 households received hygiene kits** with IEC materials on handwashing and COVID-19 prevention
- 3,644 households were provided with emergency shelter kits (tarps and rope) while 600 families received shelter repair kits
  - o 153 local carpenters organized to support shelter repair works
  - I 20 households were provided with basic carpentry orientation using Build Back Better Shelter guidelines while 600 families received orientation on Build Back Better and Disaster Risk Reduction principles
  - o 180 families received cash assistance for repair
  - 95 families received cash assistance for 6 months for hosting families who lost their homes during the typhoons.
- 4,280 households received kitchen kits
- 997 households were provided water containers







- **5,434 households received non-food items for protection** (blanket, mosquito nets, plastic mats)
- 3 rural health units were provided with generator sets
- **686 dignity kits, 414 maternity kits, and 500 solar radios** were distributed to pregnant and lactating women and women with disability
- 2 Emergency Maternity Treatment Facility provided
- 256 community health workers engaged in cash-for-work for pregnancy tracking
- 154 pregnant and lactating women received cash assistance

## IN VIETNAM

- 62,815 people benefited from water, sanitation and hygiene interventions
  - Items distributed included 1,807 water tanks, 450 water filters, 1,695 water buckets, 1832 water ceramic filters, 450kg of chloramine B, and 1,626 hygiene kits.
  - 4 water systems were also repaired
  - 14 schools also received water purifiers
- **27,095** *people received food aid and nutrition* including 9,000kg of rice and 6,129 food aid packages distributed
- **22,273 people received non-food items** including 3,039 learning kits, 1,015 warm jackets for children, 3,817 family kits, and 600 desk and chairs.
- **14,993 people were provided with livelihood support** like rice and corn seeds and cows to ensure their household capacity to earn a living can return to pre-typhoon level.
- 3,236 people were provided with unconditional cash transfers to support immediate needs. Most families used the cash for food, daily living needs as well as livelihood activities including seeds and livestock.
- 120 potentially life-saving COVID-19 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) kits were also distributed to vulnerable families.



### **IMPACT STORY**

"You could pass through all sides of the house because almost all the walls were torn down. I wanted to repair it immediately, but, I had no money. I lost my job due to the pandemic," says Felipe, a father of three from Albay.

Felipe is one of the thousands of Filipinos in Bicol Region who had to bear the brunt of both COVID-19 and Typhoon Goni, which hit the region in November 2020. He used to work as a construction worker in Metro Manila, but was forced to go back to his hometown in the height of the pandemic. Unfortunately, Super Typhoon Goni hit his province months after, leaving him jobless, and his family, without a house.







"We had no choice but to live with my mother- in-law. While she was very helpful to us, it's different when you have your own house," he says. "When I learned about the shelter support, I was overjoyed. We already received hygiene kits before that so I thought that was it," he says.



Felipe's family is one of the 600 that were provided with shelter repair kits that include boards of marine plywood, galvanized iron sheets for roofing, carpentry tools like hammer, saw, nails and metal wire. He said the iron sheets alone would have taken him some time to buy on his own. Felipe also received P2000 cash for additional support in the repair of his house.

"They also taught us how to build sturdier houses through the Build Back Better workshop. Because I learned a lot from that, I repaired our house myself, with help from my father-in-law."

Felipe, his wife, Marife, and their children, are now back in their home.

Febby, Felipe's eldest child who is 7-years old shares, "I was scared during the typhoon. The roof of our house was blown away, including the walls". She adds while showing their repaired house. "This is our house now. Thanks for your help."



"There is still a lot to be done here, but I am grateful that we have our house back. My children are protected from heat and rain. They can play around. We have a room to sleep in. To everyone who helped us, thank you very much," Felipe says.

### **MOVING FORWARD**

Thank you for your generosity and love for children and their families in their time of greatest need. On behalf of beneficiaries affected by the typhoons and floods in Philippines and Vietnam who may never have a chance to thank you personally, we would like to extend our appreciation for your gift of hope and help in this emergency.

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