



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION XI
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF DAVAO DEL NORTE

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

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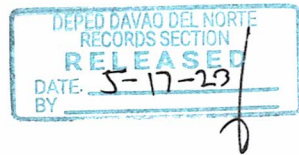
**INFORMATION DISSEMINATION AND REPORTING OF PREPAREDNESS AND
RESPONSE MEASURES FOR EL NIÑO**


To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief, Education Program Supervisor, School Governance and Operations Division
Chief, Education Program Supervisor, Curriculum Implementation Division
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public and Private Schools – Elementary, Secondary, and Integrated
All others concerned

1. Pursuant to OUOPS No. 2023-04-4305, *Information Dissemination and Reporting of Preparedness and Response Measures for El Niño*, and in consideration of the weather update issued by the Department of Science and Technology Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical, and Astronomic Services Administration (DOST-PAGASA), all public and private schools are instructed to undertake necessary and appropriate precautionary measures from the impacts of the said climate pattern to ensure protection and safety of learners and personnel.
2. Proactive measures shall include but are not limited to:
 - a. Monitoring and regular dissemination of PAGASA Heat Index and Weather Forecasts which can be accessed through:
 - i. <https://www.pagasa.dost.gov.ph/climate/climate-heat-index>
 - ii. <https://www.pagasa.dost.gov.ph/weather#daily-weather-forecast>
 - b. Dissemination of any available IEC materials on preparedness measures for El Niño; Please see IEC materials from DOST and DOH.
 - c. Reporting of preparedness and response measures implemented to reduce the negative impact of high heat frequencies due to extreme climate conditions. Please refer to the attached reporting template for guidance.
3. School heads through the School DRRM Coordinators are requested to regularly update and coordinate with the Division DRRM Focal Person regarding this matter. Likewise, any medical-related concerns brought about by the extreme heat must be reported to the School Health Services, while curriculum-related concerns shall be addressed to the Curriculum Implementation Division, for appropriate guidance and response measures.



4. Everyone is enjoined to continually support and recognize the value of equality and diversity as well as ensure STRICT adherence to the health and safety protocols in all undertakings.
5. For immediate dissemination and compliance.




REYNALDO B. MELLORIDA, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent






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OUOPS No. 2023-04- 4305

MEMORANDUM

TO : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS**
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOL HEADS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

FROM : 
Atty. REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO
Undersecretary for Operations

SUBJECT : **Information Dissemination and Reporting of Preparedness**
and Response Measures for El Niño

DATE : May 03, 2023

In relation to OASOPS Memorandum No. 2023-077, *Reiteration of the Implementation of Modular Distance Learning as Provided in DepEd Order No. 37, s. 2022*, the Department of Science and Technology Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (DOST-PAGASA) *Adoption of the PAGASA El Niño-Southern Oscillation Alert and Warning System*, and the latest PAGASA update issued on 23 March 2023 stating:

*“Based on recent conditions and model forecasts, El Niño will likely develop in Jul-Aug-Sept (JAS) 2023 season and may persist until 2024. With this development, the PAGASA ENSO Alert and Warning System is now raised to **El Niño Watch**.*

*El Niño (warm phase of ENSO) is characterized by unusually warmer than average sea surface temperatures (SSTs) in the central and eastern equatorial Pacific (CEEP). When conditions are favorable for the development of El Niño within the next six months and the probability is 55% or more, an **El Niño Watch** is issued.*

El Niño increases the likelihood of below-normal rainfall conditions, which could bring negative impacts (such as dry spells and droughts) in some areas of the country. However, over the western part of the country, above-normal rainfall

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conditions during the Southwest monsoon season (Habagat) may also be expected.”

In order to protect the safety and security of our learners and personnel, the Office of the Undersecretary for Operations instructs the Regional and Schools Division Offices, and Public and Private Schools to undertake the following measures:

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2. Dissemination of any available IEC materials on preparedness measures for El Niño; Refer to the attached IEC materials from DOST and DOH. These IEC Materials shall also be provided to the Regional DRRM Coordinators;
3. Reporting of preparedness and response measures implemented to reduce the negative impact of high heat frequencies due to extreme climate conditions.

All Regional DRRM Coordinators shall report the consolidated preparedness and response actions being undertaken in their Area of Responsibility to the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service through drmo@deped.gov.ph on or before **May 19, 2023**.

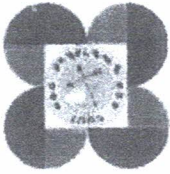
For your information and appropriate action.

ANNEX. A

REGIONAL CONSOLIDATED PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE MEASURES IN CONNECTION WITH *EL NIÑO*

REGION: _____

PREPAREDNESS and RESPONSE MEASURES	IMPLEMENTING DIVISIONS	EARLIEST DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION



PRESS STATEMENT

DOST-PAGASA S & T Media Service
Quezon City
02 May 2023

EL NIÑO ALERT

PAGASA has been continuously monitoring the developing El Niño conditions in the tropical Pacific. Recent conditions and model forecasts indicate that El Niño may emerge in the coming season (June-July-August) at 80% probability and may persist until the first quarter of 2024. With this development, the PAGASA El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO) Alert and Warning System is now raised to **EL NIÑO ALERT**.

El Niño (warm phase of ENSO) is characterized by unusually warmer than average sea surface temperatures (SSTs) at the central and eastern equatorial Pacific (CEEP). When conditions are favorable for the development of El Niño within the next two months at a probability of 70% or more, an El Niño **ALERT** is issued.

El Niño increases the likelihood of below-normal rainfall conditions, which could have negative impacts (such as dry spells and droughts) in some areas of the country. However, over the western part of the country, above-normal rainfall conditions during the Southwest Monsoon season (Habagat) may also be expected.

PAGASA will continue to closely monitor the development of this ENSO phenomenon. All concerned government agencies and the general public are encouraged to keep on monitoring and take precautionary measures against the impending impacts of El Niño.

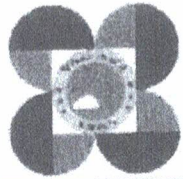
For more information, please call the Climate Monitoring and Prediction Section (CLIMPS), Climatology and Agrometeorology Division (CAD) at the telephone number (02) 8284-0800 local 4920 or 4921 or through email: pagasa.climps@gmail.com.

Original Signed:

VICENTE B. MALANO, Ph.D.
Administrator

"tracking the sky...helping the country"

DOST



PAGASA

Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration

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TIPS ON WHAT TO DO

STAY UPDATED on climate advisories.

CONSERVE water.

FIX OR REPORT water leaks.

COOPERATE on local El Niño measures.



EARLY ACTION

[Dost pagasa](#) [@dost_pagasa](#) [DOST PAGASA Weather Report](#) [@dost_pagasa](#) <http://dost.gov.ph>

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⚠ PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY: EL NIÑO

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Huwag magbilad sa ilalim ng araw; gumamit ng sunblock/sunscreen kung hindi maiiwasang lumabas ng bahay.



Magtipid at gamitin ang tubig sa wastong pamamaraan.



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Ang El Niño ay isang *weather phenomenon* na nagpapamalas ng klimatikong kondisyon na matinding init ng temperatura.

Pinapataas nito ang posibilidad ng madalang na pag-ulan, na maaaring magdulot ng mga negatibong epekto tulad na lang ng tagtuyot at pagtaas ng kaso sakit dulot ng matinding tag-init.



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EL NIÑO WARNING!

Inaasahan ng (PAGASA) ang malaking tiyansa na pagtama ng El Niño sa bansa gitnang buwan ng Hulyo-Setyembre. Kasabay nito ang pagsulpot ng mga karamdaman bunsod ng matinding init at biglaang pagpapalit ng panahon.

Narito ang ilan sa mga impormasyong dapat nating malaman mula sa DOH na kritikal ang bahagi upang tayo ay mapanatiling malusog at ligtas sa bantang dulot ng El Niño.

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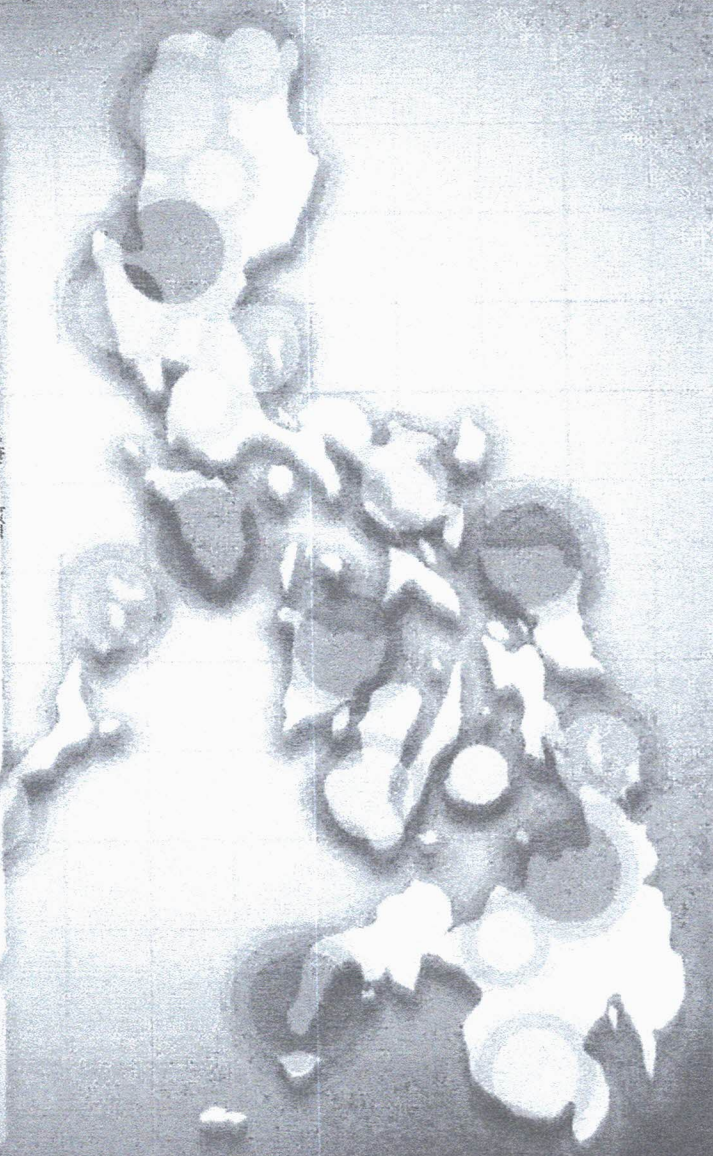


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Ano ang mga inaasahang mga sakit sa panahon ng El Niño?

Mga sakit na nakukuha dahil sa kakulangan sa supply ng tubig: **pagtatae at mga sakit sa balat.**



Pagkalason, hika, pagsusuka at iba pang sakit na dulot ng pagkain ng isdang apektado ng Red Tide.



Mga karamdamang nauugnay sa mataas na temperatura: **pagkahapo, at heat cramp/stroke.**



Cholera, typhoid fever at maging ang mga vector-borne diseases tulad ng dengue.

