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WFP FOOTAGE of UN Assessment

**Tacloban, Philippines,
Shot 9 November 2013
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Aerials of Tacloban city flattened by super typhoon Haiyan

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Tacloban airport damaged by super typhoon Haiyan

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“What the World Food Programme is initially providing as part of this emergency response to the people affected by the super typhoon in the Philippines is the provision of ready to eat high energy biscuits and this would be followed by the general food distribution of rice and other food as maybe identified and also depending on the resources available at our end”

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Roads of Tacloban city flattened by super typhoon Haiyan
Various of the destruction in the city and deceased people

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We are also setting up the necessary facilities including and support including logistics and communications that will be needed to ensure that this will pave the way for other supports to come in the areas affected by this super typhoon in the Philippines

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Various of the destruction in the city

Philippines - Typhoon Haiyan WFP Response

11 November 2013

- As the enormity of the damage from Typhoon Haiyan becomes clear, WFP is mobilizing food supplies and using its logistics expertise to try to reach hundreds of thousands of people in desperate need.
- WFP currently has 10 staff on the ground in Tacloban, Leyte, to mobilise assistance. There is no food, water or electricity; many roads are impassable due to debris, and all airports but one in the affected area are unusable.
- WFP flew in 44 metric tons of High Energy Biscuits (HEBs) to the Philippines today from the UN Humanitarian Response Depot (UNHRD) in Dubai, for subsequent airlift to Tacloban. This is enough to feed 132,000 people for a day or 19,000 people for a week.
- HEBs are precious in the early stages of an emergency as they are nutritious, easy to transport and need no cooking. WFP is poised to mobilize a range of additional food commodities to keep people alive and stabilize the nutrition situation.
- WFP has begun flying logistics and communications equipment including mobile storage units to Cebu airport, airport the closest functioning, for subsequent airlift to Tacloban.
- Some 300kg of IT equipment including digital radios are on their way from the UNHRD in Dubai. WFP takes the lead in the UN system with emergency telecommunications and logistics on behalf of the whole humanitarian community.
- WFP is appealing for funds to buy high energy biscuits and rice. You can donate online by going to this link: www.wfp.org/typhoon
- On 9 November, WFP took part in a joint Government/UN mission to Tacloban, Leyte, to assess the need for food, logistics, and emergency telecommunications assistance. More field assessments are ongoing.
- WFP Country Director Praveen Agrawal who was on the assessment, says that the devastation was shocking; "One man I met was caught by the surge in his village that first flushed him inland and then as the waters swung back out he was dragged out to sea and brought back 12 kms away near the airport. A very lucky man - a miracle to be alive."
- Within the humanitarian response, WFP leads the Food Security, Logistics and Emergency Telecommunications clusters and is contributing to the government's response to the disaster.
- Tacloban airport is closed to commercial flights; the only available routes to Tacloban include limited ferry routes and military flights. Cebu airport will be used by the Government and the Logistics Cluster as the main entry point for international relief assistance. Military planes are being used to access most affected areas.

- Given the immense damage to infrastructure and communications, WFP is working with the government to boost logistics and emergency telecommunications capacity for the response.
- Some 300kg of IT equipment including digital radios are on their way from the UNHRD in Dubai.
- WFP's food stocks in the Philippines are currently stretched because the organization has already been assisting people affected by the recent earthquake in Bohol province, now also hit by the typhoon, as well as those displaced by fighting in Zamboanga, along with our regular operations in Mindanao.

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