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Food distributions increase as WFP head visits Tacloban
Shot 16 – 17 November
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00:00-00:14 Tacloban Shot 16th November 2013
Aerial Shots of the damage left by Typhoon Haiyan on Tacloban City

00:14-00:30 Tacloban Shot 16th November 2013
General food distribution wherein affected families receive food rations composed of WFP rice, WFP High Energy Biscuits, and canned food.

00:30-00:52 Tacloban, Leyte National School
Shot 16th November 2013
Displaced families residing at an evacuation center return with the food rations they have received. Children eating WFP High Energy Biscuits.

00:52-01:01 Tacloban, Leyte National School
Shot 16th November 2013
Young children begin eating WFP High Energy Biscuits.

01:01-01:17 Tacloban, Leyte National School
Shot 17th November 2013

WFP Executive Director, Ertharin Cousin, visiting a WFP distribution site, meeting the evacuees, and distributing WFP High Energy Biscuits.

01:17-01:51 Tacloban, Leyte National School Shot 17th November 2013
SOT WFP Executive Director Ertharin Cousin:
“...I’m standing here in an evacuation center at Tacloban where families are beginning to recover from the Typhoon Haiyan. The challenge is, these families have lost everything, but what they do have from WFP is access to nutritious food. But what’s good about what we’re seeing here today is the resilience of the people of this community; they’re not asking us for a handout, they’re looking for a hand up as they continue to rebuild their lives.”

01:51-01:57 Tacloban Shot 16th November 2013

WFP rice sacks stored at a warehouse.

01:57-02:16 Tacloban Shot 16th November 2013

WFP general food distribution. People affected by Typhoon Haiyan receive WFP rice, WFP High Energy Biscuits, and canned food.

02:16-02:32 Tacloban Shot 17th November 2013
FOOD STILL A MAJOR PRIORITY AS WFP EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MEETS SURVIVORS OF TYPHOON HAIYAN

TACLOBAN, Philippines – Food for more than three-quarters of a million people has been dispatched to communities hit by Typhoon Haiyan – and more is arriving every day, says UN World Food Programme (WFP) Executive Director Ertharin Cousin.

Meeting with survivors today in Tacloban, Cousin acknowledged the strength of the local people, who are working shoulder-to-shoulder with WFP and other relief organizations to respond to the disaster.

“What I've seen in Tacloban today is the incredible resilience of the Filipino people. These people are not asking for a handout, they're asking for a hand up to rebuild their lives,” Cousin said, after helping to distribute High Energy Biscuits to children at a local high school that has been turned into an evacuation centre.

Since 13 November, family food packs with rice for more than 760,000 people, plus High Energy Biscuits for 33,000 people have been dispatched to shelters in 24 municipalities on Leyte Island, as well as in Tacloban City, where Cousin also met with government officials.
"Some of these people have lost everything. But what they do have from WFP is access to nutritious food," Cousin said. "WFP has been working tirelessly with our government counterpart, the Department of Social Welfare and Development, to get food out to the affected people. Together, we are working to overcome logistical challenges and are scaling up the number of people reached every day."

On Monday, Cousin is scheduled to visit Roxas City on the island of Payan, located west of Leyte Island. WFP is establishing a logistics hub in Roxas, in addition to a hub on Cebu Island, and other hubs in the communities of Ormoc and Guiuan on Leyte Island.

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