

Vietnam: Typhoon WUTIP

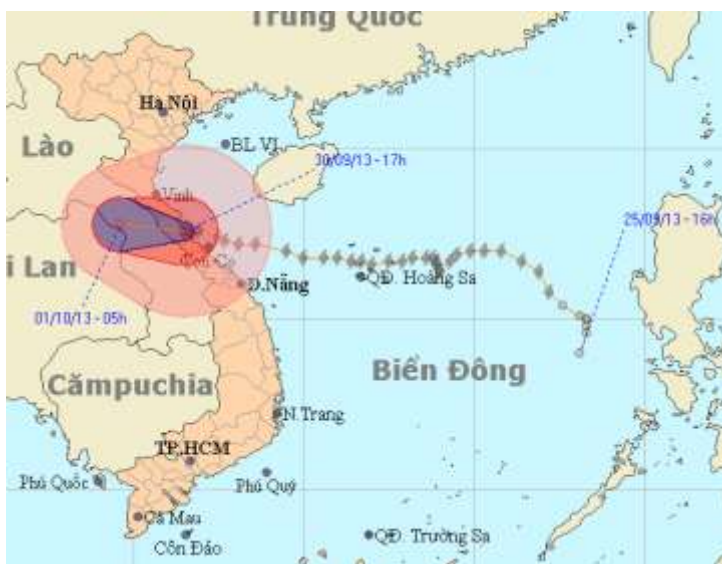
Situation Report No. 1 (as of 1 October 2013)



This Situation Report is issued on behalf of the United Nations Resident Coordinator in Viet Nam. It covers the period from 28 September to 1 October 2013. The next report will be issued on or around 4 October (5 pm).

Highlights

- In the afternoon of 30 September, Typhoon WUTIP made landfall on the north-central provinces of Viet Nam with a Category 1 level. The typhoon moved west and turned into a tropical depression in Laos in the evening of 30 September.
- The most affected provinces in Viet Nam are Quang Binh and Quang Tri, followed by Thua-Thien-Hue and Ha Tinh.
- At least 106,352 people in 4 provinces were evacuated in order to minimize human loss. The worst affected sector is housing with at least 95,647 houses damaged or collapsed as of 1 October.
- Electricity and communication systems in Quang Binh and Quang Tri were disrupted by the Typhoon, but they are being partially recovered.
- The UN Disaster Risk Management Team has closely monitored the situation since 27 September and is regularly in touch with the Government (Standing Office CCFSC). To date the Government has not requested for international support.
- A joint UN-INGOs assessment will be conducted in 3 provinces of Quang Binh, Quang Tri and Ha Tinh.



Source: NCHMF as of 30 Sep 2013 - 6PM

Initial damage reported by CCFSC as at 1st Oct 2013:

106,352 Evacuated people	03 & 35 Death & Injured people	95,401 Houses unroofed	72 Schools and public works damaged	37,071 Agriculture areas flooded/damaged (ha)	31 Reservoirs and Hydro powerplants at risk
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Situation Overview

- On 28 September, the tropical storm WUTIP developed into a Category 1 typhoon in the East sea of Vietnam and brought strong wind, sea surges and medium rainfalls to central coast provinces of Vietnam.
- The typhoon kept its strength when approaching the central coast of Vietnam. It made landfall in the afternoon of 30 September and it brought heavy rainfall and flooding in T.T.Hue, Quang Nam, Quang Tri provinces. Rain was followed by heavy wind and havoc damages on its track to Quang Binh and Quang Tri provinces.
- Heavy and medium rainfalls were recorded in Ha Tinh, Quang Binh, Quang Tri, Thua Thien Hue and Da Nang provinces, with average records from 100-200mm on the day.
- The typhoon moved west to Laos in the evening of 30 September and turned into a tropical depression in the early morning of 1 October.
- The water levels of the rivers in provinces from Nghe An to Quang Binh is increasing and will possibly reach their peaks on 2 October.

- Quang Binh and Quang Tri are the most affected provinces. The storm caused significant damages to housing and critical public buildings in those provinces. It also caused temporary flooding in T.T.Hue, Da nang, and Quang Tri. The communication and electricity services in Quang Binh and Quang Tri were temporary disrupted.

Damage as reported by the CCFSC on Oct 1st 09:00AM:

- Death: 3 people (Quang Binh)
- Injured people: 35 people (Ha Tinh: 03; Quang Binh: 13; Quang Tri: 17; T.T.Hue: 2)
- People evacuated: 29,007 households/ 106,352 people:
Nghe An: 2,261/ 9,010; Ha Tinh: 5,572/ 17,557;
Quang Binh: 4,677/ 25,247; Quang Tri: 13,121/ 43,680; T.T.Hue: 3,376/ 10,858)
- Houses collapsed: 43 houses (Quang Binh: 26; Quang Tri: 11; T.T.Hue: 6)
- Houses damaged/unroofed: 95,401 houses (Ha Tinh: 1369; Quang Binh: 89,998;
Quang Tri: 3,666; T.T.Hue: 368)
- School/Public building/
hospital unroofed: 72 buildings (Ha Tinh: 16; Quang Binh: 3; Quang Tri: 53)
- Agriculture damaged: 37,071ha (including paddy rice, cash crop, rubber farm, and aqua-farm)
(Ha Tinh: 1,190; Quang Binh: 10,000; Quang Tri: 35,412; T.T.Hue: 469.4)



A local house damaged in Quang Binh province (Source: Thanh-Nien News)



Temporary evacuation site in Gio Linh, Quang Tri (Source: Thanh-Nien News)

Humanitarian Response

National Response

- The Central Committee for Flood and Storm Control (CCFSC) issued a Urgent Telegraph (No. 72/CD-TW) in the afternoon of 28 September to instruct provinces at risk in North-Central regions to accelerate their preparedness actions.
- The CCFSC met on 29 September and the Prime Minister Office sent another urgent Telegraph (No. 1554 CD-Ttg) to Provincial CFSCs in Quang Ninh and Binh Dinh, VINASARCOM, CCFSC, NCHMF, media and VTV to request for continue preparedness actions and plans for evacuation.
- C/PCFSC constantly directed boats and ships offshore to avoid the storm track.
- The Deputy Prime Minister Hoang Trung Hai was on mission on 29-30 September in the central provinces to directly work with the local authorities on their evacuation plans for both storm/flood/flashflood. The evacuations were expected by CFSCs to be completed no later than 9:00AM on 30 September. In the evening of 30 September, the central delegation operated directly on the field in Quang Binh CFSC office.
- Provinces were guided to prepare for the storm WUTIP and closely accelerated their response to the development of the typhoon before it made landfall.
 - 66,599 boats and ships/318,848 people received early warning and proactively arrived to the safe havens before the typhoon.
 - Evacuation was planned and implemented during 29-30 September into temporary shelters, which helped to minimize human loss.

- Local government provided basic food supplies and non-food items from local stocking stores.
- MARD is closely monitoring the flooding situation in provinces from Nghe An to Da Nang. Water reservoirs are closely monitored and regulated in those provinces.
 - Currently 12 hydro-power plants in central provinces are scheduled for water discharge. 11 water reservoirs in Thanh Hoa, Nghe An, Ha Tinh, Quang Binh, Quang Tri and T.T.Hue are also scheduled to release water storage.
 - 31 reservoirs in Thanh Hoa (02), Nghe An (04), Ha Tinh (13), Quang Tri (06), T.T.Hue (01), Quang Nam (01) and Quang Ngai (03) are at risk and being closely watched.
- The MOH has provided 640 medical stocks; 2,770,000 tablets of chloramines B; 150,000 tablets of Aquatabs and 974 life vests to most affected provinces, including Thanh Hoa, Nghe An, Ha Tinh, Quang Binh, Quang Tri, Thua Thien Hue, Da Nang, Quang Nam, Quang Ngai, Binh Dinh, Phu Yen, Dak lak and to some military camps.

International Response

- UN agencies have projects in the following provinces: Quang Binh, Thua Thien Hue and Da Nang.
- The Vietnam Red Cross and INGOs have strong presence in the affected provinces, including Plan International, Save the Children, World Vision, and Action Aid.
- The UN DRMT has closely monitored the situation since 27 September.
- The UN DRMT met together with the INGOs on 1st Oct to discuss about the situation and possible rapid needs assessment. A joint rapid assessment mission by UNDRMT and INGOs will be deployed from 2-4th Oct. in the worst hit provinces of Quang Binh, Quang Tri and Ha Tinh.
- UNDRMT and INGOs will meet on 7th Oct to share the findings of the joint mission and determine the course of actions.

Funding

The UNDRMT discussed about different options for funding if relief and recovery are needed. Several members of the UN DRMT will be on standby for the joint assessment, if required.

The team is liaising with UN-OCHA and UN head-quarters to share updates and request for response actions, if needed.

General Coordination

A joint inter-agency assessment mechanism is in place between UN and INGOs, in close collaboration with the Government. The UNDRMT members are in close liaison with ministerial counterparts and provinces for regular update and monitoring.

The UNDRMT Secretariat will share situation reports with UN development partners, UN regional and headquarters offices and other stakeholders for regular information sharing and coordination.

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