



In photo: Maternal kits delivery and mothers classes reach pregnant women and mothers of newborns in purok Malaygang, barangay Sapu Masla, Malapatan. (Photo by Brian Kae Enriquez for Action Against Hunger)

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HUMANITARIAN SNAPSHOT

Magnitude 7.8 Earthquake in Mindanao, Philippines

OVERVIEW.

On 8 June 2026 at 7:37 AM local time, a magnitude 7.8 earthquake struck off the coast of Maasim, Sarangani Province, at a depth of 33 kilometers.

The earthquake was felt across much of Mindanao and neighboring regions, affecting communities in Regions IX, XI, XII (SOCCSKSARGEN), and the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM). The strongest shaking, reaching **Intensity VIII** (Very Destructive), was recorded in Glan, Kiamba, Malapatan, and Malungon in Sarangani Province, as well as General Santos City.

Thousands of aftershocks have since been recorded, with ongoing risks of landslides, liquefaction, ground fissures, and other secondary hazards continuing to affect communities and recovery efforts. While seismic activity has gradually declined, repeated aftershocks and safety concerns have left many families reluctant to return to damaged homes and public buildings.

Following the earthquake, the situation of affected communities is potentially worsened by multiple storms. Tropical Depression Henry brought additional rainfall that heightened the risk of flash floods and landslides in earthquake-affected areas.

While TD Henry has since dissipated, Super Typhoon Inday (international name: Bavi) continues to enhance the southwest monsoon (Habagat), bringing intermittent rainfall and strong winds across much of Mindanao, including SOCCSKSARGEN.

Although Sarangani is not under a Tropical Cyclone Wind Signal, the enhanced southwest monsoon may continue to bring rain and gusty conditions over most of Mindanao, sustaining localized flooding and landslide risks in communities already weakened by the earthquake.

HIGHLIGHTS

 **1,655,313** PEOPLE AFFECTED

 **391,871** ESTIMATED FAMILIES AFFECTED

 **4** REGIONS

 **14** PROVINCES

 **146** EVACUATION CENTERS CUMULATIVE

 **121,307** DAMAGED HOUSES
19,188 TOTALLY DAMAGED

 **92,628** PEOPLE DISPLACED

 **24,148** FAMILIES DISPLACED

 **94** DEATHS

1,316 INJURED

IMPORTANT NOTE: Information presented above is based on latest DSWD-DROMIC Report, NDRRMC, and reports from affected local government units as of 8 July 2026, 05:00 PM.

[READ: LATEST DROMIC REPORT](#)

[READ: LATEST NDRRMC REPORT](#)

KEY HUMANITARIAN IMPACTS.

A month after the earthquake, humanitarian needs remain significant across the affected areas, particularly in Sarangani Province, where impacts were most severe. While response operations continue and some families have started returning home, **more than 92,000 people remain displaced, with nearly 70% staying outside formal evacuation centers** due to concerns over structural safety.

More than 1.6 million people have been affected by the earthquake. **More than 121,000 homes were damaged**, disrupting access to water, health services, education, telecommunications, transport infrastructure, food, markets, and livelihoods. Recent rainfall has further increased the risk of flash floods and landslides in earthquake-affected communities.



Shelter

- More than 121,000 houses were damaged, including over 19,000 totally destroyed.
- Families remain displaced or living in unsafe conditions due to damaged homes.
- Significant demand for emergency and transitional shelter support.



Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene

- Damage to water systems, pipelines, storage facilities, and community infrastructure
- Reduced access to safe drinking water in several municipalities.
- Reported cases of diarrhea linked to contaminated water sources



Health

- Health facilities remain damaged, or health services are overstretched.
- Continued need for trauma care, essential medicines, mental health and psychosocial support, and management of non-communicable disease.



Education

- More than 6,652 schools were affected, impacting over 580,000 learners.
- Damaged classrooms, other facilities, including WASH facilities in schools.



Livelihoods

- Agriculture, fishing, and daily wage labor remain affected by damaged infrastructure and disrupted markets.
- Reduced access to income and essential goods continues to affect household.



Protection

- Persistent aftershocks continue to generate fear and anxiety.
- Vulnerable groups face heightened risks during displacement and recovery.

MAP OF IMPACT SOCCSKSARGEN



In **Sarangani Province**, all seven municipalities are under a state of calamity and continue to face some of the most complex recovery challenges, including extensive shelter damage, limited access to safe water, disrupted public services, and ongoing displacement.

The following municipalities have the highest number of affected people in Sarangani:

GLAN

- **189,892 people** affected (100% of total population)
- Continued dependence on external support for essential services
- **Expressed needs:** Food packs, drinking water, outdoor tents, generator sets with fuel, and child-friendly spaces.

MAASIM

- **85,250 people** affected (100% of total population)
- **Expressed needs:** Drinking water, food packs, waterproof tarpaulins, water tanks, child-friendly spaces

MALAPATAN

- **78,316 people** affected (95% of total population)
- Water systems, schools, health facilities, and public infrastructure damaged
- Emerging public health concerns linked to disrupted water access
- Ongoing displacement and humanitarian needs across affected barangays
- **Expressed needs:** Potable water, jerry cans, food packs, family tents, sleeping kits, hygiene kits, kitchen kits, charging stations, fuel, and child-friendly spaces.

OUR RESPONSE.

Since the onset of the emergency, Action Against Hunger deployed emergency teams to Sarangani Province to assess needs, coordinate with authorities and humanitarian partners, and support evidence-based response.

We are now actively responding and delivering multi-sectoral assistance on the ground. Working with our local partner, the **Mindanao Organization for Social and Economic Progress (MOSEP)**, and in close coordination with the ACCESS consortium partners, local government units and agencies, WASH and health clusters, Action Against Hunger is delivering aid to the most affected communities while continuing to identify and respond to evolving priority needs.

11,952 **TOTAL TARGET BENEFICIARIES***

*with sectoral overlaps across all funded interventions

Food Security and
Livelihood support



6,444 **INDIVIDUALS**

Health support



604 **INDIVIDUALS**

Water, Sanitation, and
Hygiene support



4,904 **INDIVIDUALS**

Emergency Assistance

- Our ongoing emergency response aims to reach approximately **11,952 total target beneficiaries** (with sectoral overlaps across multi-donor funded interventions).
- Through the **ACCESS 2 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM)**, funded by the **EU Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid**, Action Against Hunger has reached approximately 2,015 individuals across Malapatan with emergency food, WASH kit, and safe water provision.
- Through the **ACCESS 3 RRM**, 464 households (2,036 individuals) have received multi-purpose cash assistance (MPCA), 161 households (856 individuals) received emergency food kits, and 274 households (1,272 individuals) received WASH kits in Glan and Malapatan to address immediate humanitarian needs in hard-to-reach communities. In total, ACCESS 3 has reached a total of 625 unique households (2,892 individuals).
- Through the **Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) funded response**, 296 households (1,403 individuals) have received MPCA, while 744 individuals participated in community-based Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) sessions with additional sessions recently conducted for vulnerable groups. Rehabilitation of damaged WASH facilities is underway following technical assessments and the training of local construction workers, with water access already restored for at least 250 households.
- Distribution of Maternal and newborn kits for pregnant and lactating women has begun.
- Coordination with local government units, provincial health and social welfare offices, the WASH, Nutrition, Mental Health, and Public and Medical Health Clusters, and humanitarian partners to improve access to potable water, health, protection, and other essential services remains ongoing.

Preparedness and Scale-Up Capacity

- Continued monitoring of earthquake-affected communities for potential aftershocks, and flash floods and landslides associated with enhanced southwest monsoon (Habagat) rainfall.



In photo: Woman pictured after receiving WASH kit at a distribution in the evacuation center of purok Islam, Barangay Bt. Margus, Glan (Photo by Ana Nico Clement for Action Against Hunger)



In photo: Family from isolated mountainous area receives food and WASH kits in: purok Malaygang, Barangay Sapu Masla, Malapatan. (Photo by Brian Kae Enriquez for Action Against Hunger)



In photo: Family with newborn unpacks maternal kit after attending a mothers class in purok Malaygang, Barangay Sapu Masla, Malapatan. (Photo by Brian Kae Enriquez for Action Against Hunger)



In photo: Action Against Hunger conducts MHPSS session with persons deprived of liberty affected by the earthquake (Photo by Rqaphael Emperio for Action Against Hunger)

PRIORITY NEEDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

Humanitarian priorities are shifting from immediate relief toward recovery. As communities move beyond the initial emergency phase, recovery needs are becoming more apparent. Continued support will be critical to help affected households restore access to essential services, rebuild livelihoods, and recover safely from the impacts of the earthquake.

WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE

- Emergency water supply in communities with disrupted services
- Rehabilitation of damaged water systems and sanitation facilities
- Hygiene kits and hygiene promotion activities
- Water quality monitoring and disease prevention measures

SHELTER

- Emergency shelter materials
- Essential household items like sleeping kits and kitchen sets
- Transitional shelter support for families unable to return home

HEALTH & NUTRITION

- Trauma care support and essential medicines
- Mental health and psychosocial support
- Public health surveillance and disease prevention

FOOD SECURITY & LIVELIHOODS

- Food assistance for the most vulnerable households
- MPCA where markets are functioning
- Support for livelihood recovery among farming and fishing communities

PROTECTION

- Protection monitoring
- Inclusive assistance for women, children, older persons, persons with disabilities, and Indigenous Peoples
- Community engagement and accountability mechanisms

OUR NEXT STEPS.

With action already underway, Action Against Hunger continues working with local authorities, humanitarian partners, and affected communities to deliver immediate assistance, while monitoring the evolving situation and identifying emerging priorities.

Building on ongoing assessments, profiling for MPCA, and strong coordination efforts, the organization is scaling up the delivery of assistance and response activities in the most affected areas, particularly in Glan and Malapatan, while supporting communities as they transition from emergency relief to early recovery.

Key next steps include:

- Complete ongoing rehabilitation works to restore damaged water systems and expand access to safe water in affected communities.
- Scaling up the rollout of MPCA, supported by ongoing household profiling, to provide direct financial support to vulnerable earthquake-affected households.
- Expanding the delivery of MHPSS through training of local capacity to provide longer-term psychosocial support and respond to distress linked to displacement, loss, and trauma.
- Complete the distribution of Maternal and Newborn Kits following beneficiary profiling and validation, while strengthening referral pathways for individuals with priority health needs.
- Strengthening coordination with local government units, consortium partners (including MOSEP under ACCESS), donors, and other humanitarian actors to sustain response delivery and restore essential services.
- Ensuring cross-cutting priorities, including protection, gender equality, accountability to affected populations, disability inclusion, and safeguarding, are integrated across all response activities.

SUPPORT FROM OUR STRATEGIC ALLIES.



5,428

TARGET BENEFICIARIES* 
*with sectoral overlaps between
ACCESS 2 and ACCESS 3 Rapid Response Mechanism



EUR 120.000



3,920

TARGET INDIVIDUAL BENEFICIARIES 



EUR 273.000



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