

Update 28: Philippines - Suffers Twin Threat as Typhoon 'Ambo' Hits COVID-19 Affected Regions

- Typhoon 'Ambo' (Vongfong) caused heavy rainfall and strong winds in parts of Philippines
- Heavy to intense rainfall reported in parts of Samar, Masbate, and Quezon
- Moderate to heavy rainfall reported over Bicol Region, Quezon, Aurora, Marinduque, Laguna, Rizal, Metro Manila, Bulacan, Nueva Ecija, Nueva Vizcaya, and Quirino
- Approximately 200,000 affected, tens of thousands evacuated, and several homes reported power outage
- On May 16, moderate to intense rainfall is anticipated in Cagayan Valley, Cordillera Administrative Region, Aurora, and Nueva Ecija
- Flooding and landslides are anticipated
- This comes as country planned to reopen businesses from May 16 to aid economy amid COVID-19 pandemic
- Speculations suggest, in order to combat its spread, evacuation centers in central Philippines will only be filled to half capacity
- As of now, Philippines reported 790 deaths and 11,876 COVID-19 cases
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments
- Please consult Disease Prevention and Control Bureau (<https://www.doh.gov.ph/node/689>) for the latest information on COVID-19 in the Philippines

Source(s)

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Targets Affected:

Manila - Philippines

Guidance

Actions to consider:

- Firms with operations in the region should review their measures to mitigate the risk posed by such natural calamities
- It is advised to determine if alternate power supplies and network connections are available to deal with large-scale power outages and network failures (if any)
- SW Subscribers should ensure appropriate Business Continuity Plans and Programs are activated
- Determine if current Business Continuity Plans of third parties/captive units account for sudden shortage or unavailability of resources in the event of several team members being unable to commute to the workplace due to adverse weather conditions
- It is important for SW Subscribers to determine if procedures for evacuating employees to safe locations are in place, if required
- Determine if all staff and travelers in Philippines are monitoring local weather, government warnings, and updates
- Consider implementing more detailed actions related to 'Increase in Positive Cases/Deaths' under the 'COVID-19: Actions to Consider' section below / next page

Related Alerts

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High

Update 27: Philippines - Plans Partial Reopening of Businesses from May 16 to Support Economy Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

May 12, 2020

Immediate

Update 26: Philippines - Extends COVID-19 Lockdown in Certain Regions Until May 31, 2020; Announces Few Relaxations

May 10, 2020

High

Update 25: Philippines - Allows International Flight Arrivals for One Month Starting May 11, 2020

May 7, 2020

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Update 24: Philippines - Reports Economic Contraction by 0.2% Amid COVID-19 Pandemic, First Decline Since Q4 1998

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Update 23: Metro Manila, Philippines - Relaxation in COVID-19 Restrictions Anticipated After May 15, 2020

May 3, 2020

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Update 22: Philippines - Suspends International Flights Until May 10, 2020 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

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Update 21: Philippines - Relaxes COVID-19 Restrictions Amid Increasing Cases

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Update 20: Tondo, Philippines - Announces Two-Day Lockdown, Starting May 3, Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

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Update 19: Luzon, Philippines -
Extends COVID-19 Enhanced
Community Quarantine Until May 15,
2020

April 22, 2020

Immediate

Update 18: Philippines - Expects
Lockdown Extension in Regions with
High COVID-19 Cases

April 20, 2020

Immediate

Update 17: Philippines - Armed Forces
Confirm Preparedness for 'Martial-Law
Like' Lockdown; Sampaloc Placed
Under 48-Hour Lockdown

April 17, 2020

High

Update 16: Philippines - Warns of
Imposing Martial Law-Like Lockdown to
Fight COVID-19 Pandemic

April 15, 2020

High

Update 15: Philippines - International
Monetary Fund Predicts Economic
Growth Contraction to 0.6% in 2020;
Unemployment Rate to Increase to
6.2%

April 14, 2020

High

Update 14: Barangay, Philippines -
Imposes 24-Hour Lockdown to Control
COVID-19 Outbreak

April 13, 2020

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Update 13: Philippines - Reports
Highest Death Toll of 50 in Last 24
Hours

April 10, 2020

Immediate

Update 12: Philippines - COVID-19
Confirmed Cases Exceed 4,000

April 7, 2020

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Update 11: Luzon, Philippines -
Extends Lockdown Until April 30, 2020
to Contain COVID-19 Pandemic

April 6, 2020

Immediate

Update 10: Luzon, Philippines - Government Considers Extension of Lockdown by Two Weeks Amid Increasing COVID-19 Cases

April 4, 2020

High

Update 9: Philippines - Economy Expected to Slow Down to 2% in 2020; Recovery Anticipated in 2021

April 2, 2020

Immediate

Update 8: Manila, Philippines - Records Largest Single-Day Increase in COVID-19 Cases

March 30, 2020

Immediate

Update 7: Philippines - Reports Highest Daily Increase in COVID-19 Cases

March 28, 2020

Immediate

Update 6: Philippines - COVID-19 Cases Rise to 803; Lockdown in Luzon until April 12, 2020

March 26, 2020

Immediate

Update 5: Philippines - Declares State of National Emergency Amid Spike in COVID-19 Cases

March 22, 2020

Immediate

Update 4: Philippines - COVID-19 Cases Rise to 380; Month-Long Lockdown in Place - Metro Manila

March 16, 2020

Immediate

Update 3: Philippines - Curfew Declared to Contain Coronavirus Infection - Metro Manila

March 13, 2020

Immediate

Update 2: Philippines - Restricts Travel Until April 14, 2020 Amid Coronavirus Pandemic - Metro Manila

March 9, 2020

Immediate

Update 1: Philippines - Declares Public
Health Emergency Amid Coronavirus
Outbreak

Jan. 30, 2020

Low

Philippines - Coronavirus Infection
Cases

Impact level Definitions

Impact Level	Definitions
Immediate	Certain - Supply Wisdom recommends considering prompt action. Examples of Immediate level alert events may include bankruptcy filings, data breaches, unexpected curfews, strikes, power black-outs, major geo-political events etc.
High	Highly likely to occur in the near term (within 3 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends being in a state of readiness to take quick action. Examples of High level alert events may include withdrawal of rating by ratings agencies, hostile takeover, multiple cyber-attacks, new business policies causing significant hardship etc.
Medium	Likely to occur in the mid-term (within 3 to 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends reviewing current mitigation steps and being ready to take proactive actions if and when situation deteriorates further. Examples of Medium level alert events may include unplanned C-level exits, suppliers caught in bribery cases, economy slipping into recession.
Low	Possible in the long-term (after 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends taking proactive action if situation does not resolve. Examples of Low level alert events may include lawsuits filed against suppliers, client losses, air pollution alerts issued by country's local authorities, unexpected holidays announced for the location etc.
Informational	The event is pertinent information but does not have a risk element associated with it. Examples of Info level alert events may include launch of new solutions, partnerships signed, industry outlook, positive changes in government policies, announcements regarding launch of software parks/ free trade zones/special economic zones etc.