



Situation Report

Incident / Event : Volcanic Activity - Ambae
Situation Report : 01
Reporting Period : 30/08/2017 – 15/09/2017
Areas Affected : West, North, South - Ambae
Prepared By : PDO Penama
PEOC Status : Readiness

Situation Overview & General Coordination

I am sending the Manaro Volcanic Eruption ground brief Report Number 2 as updates.

PDCCC has convened a meeting yesterday afternoon and continue on the latest updates on volcanic activity given by the VMGD officers, started to develop the logistic and awareness plans.

Immediately after the meeting the 3 groups commenced on the Awareness program to North Ambae Area Council which ended in the evening. the Awareness program begins with the simple message of how to be coping with the current alert level 3 volcanic activity in terms of inform them of these unrest activity which can be either increase to level 4 or decrease to level 2 so since we in the emergency situation where people in Ambae and Penama Province should be in the preparedness stages, explained the different levels of dangers from 4 - 5, informed them if the situation is getting worst to worst then they should be already ready to be evacuated to safe places which the PDCCC is now working on, given them the prevention measures given by VMGD, NDMO, Health, Agricultures, Police, Water and Education.

Started to developed the Logistic Rescue Plan if it develops further to levels 4 & 5 which we are based on the 10 km radius danger zone of our Ambae Risk map and also on the experience of 2005 Eruption (identified all the safe houses or evacuation centers particularly in further West and Eastern part of Ambae Island, allocated each community to each Evacuated centers, means of transportation and pick up points). Which we will be completed soon and send a copy to our head office.

Divided into groups and these groups now continue on with the Awareness program on to West Ambae and South Ambae today after the PDCCC just had a brief meeting this morning and now are deployed.

We must to say thank you to our main Partner the Penama Provincial Government on its great assistance on the funding of all these activities since they understand the situation of emergencies



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where community and Provincial Government can still have resources to funds any activity related to the preparedness stages while the National Government through our office NDMO will be coming to assist when the situation becomes a Disaster where they cannot effort to funds any activity due to their limited resources capacity to meet the situation.

Impacts from our communities in 4 Area Councils particularly in North & West Ambae they are not new on the Volcanic eruption issues such as Evacuation or communities displacement since they already experienced it in 2005 as such they are ready and listen to the authority the Penama Provincial Government through its PDCCC on the situation on the volcanic activities.

Health Issues, people in West Ambae have been rise some complain on their health negative impacts such as itching (head I raon, throat I sow, sit sit wota,), yes, the Manager for Lolowai Hospital confirmed today that reports has been made but no conformation as wither they coming to Nduidui Health Centre for admission or not so as such the team is dispatching to West Ambae today and they will verified wither its true or not as such no confirm of cases yet until tomorrow.

Yesterday evening people in West Ambae have been experienced a small ash fall this is due to strong South East Trade winds however, no signs today.

I assume that all for now and more up dates will be coming tomorrow however; I wish to take this opportunity to thank all the PDCCC members and the Penama Provincial Government on this good cooperation and great support so far until recently.

Thank you all for your continuous support.

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