

## INCIDENT BACKGROUND

July 25, 2019, a firefight erupted between the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) and members of the New People's Army (NPA) along the boundary of Barangay Kalilangan and Barangay Panoroganan, Iligan City. A group of alleged NPA members was reportedly sighted in the jungle of Sitio Dowa Dowa, Kalilangan, which then prompted the AFP to conduct ground operations. Affected barangays are Barangay Panoroganan (Sitio Kadiis and Sitio Pinasangka), Barangay Kalilangan, and Barangay Rogongon (Sitio Kiyanihong), Iligan City.

The affected barangays are also the areas affected by firefights between the AFP and NPA last January 2019. According to local authorities, no casualties were reported. A total of 242 families were reported displaced by the City Social Welfare and Development (CSWD) Office of Iligan City in its Disaster Response Operations Monitoring and Information Center (DROMIC) Report.

## CURRENT SITUATION

During the field assessment conducted by Community and Family Services International (CFSI), around 273 families are still displaced and staying in various ECs and communities across three barangays. One hundred forty-eight (148) families from affected areas in Brgy. Kalilangan are still displaced in the declared ECs, namely: Tribal Hall EC, Tamana Building, and Mosque in the same barangay. Twenty one (21) families who are still in Brgy. Rogongon and have not yet returned to Sitio Kadiis, Brgy Panoroganan are staying with their relatives in Sitio Bayanihan, while 49 families from Sitio Kiyanihong are staying in Poblacion, also in Barangay Rogongon. Tribal leader Sultan Estorya Macadatar has also reported that there are 55 IDPs from Sitio Pinasangka, Brgy. Panoroganan staying in the Poblacion of Panoroganan. This data is still subject to validation.

As of 02 August, twenty four (24) families that were displaced to Brgy. Bayanihan have already returned to their residences in Sitio Kadiis, Brgy. Panoroganan. However, some have expressed their concern over on-going operations in the hinterlands which, in turn, affects their farming activities. A number of military forces were positioned in Sitio Kadiis in Barangay Panoroganan, while a number of military vehicles were seen in Barangay Rogongon, Iligan City.

According to Corporal Dex Yudo of the 51st Infantry Battallion (IB) of the AFP, IDPs can go back to Barangays Panoroganan and Kiyanihong since these areas are already declared safe. Although operations are ongoing in the forested area of Kalilangan, the military says it is nonetheless safe because the operation is outside the areas covered by the firefight. The return of IDPs was announced in the local radio, according to Cprl Yudo.

Philippine Red Cross – Iligan City Chapter provided family food packs to the affected barangays, while food packs from the LGU were scheduled to be distributed 2 August 2019. The packs contain 6 kilograms of rice and some canned goods.

## PROTECTION ISSUES AND RESPONSE

ISSUES	RESPONSES	WAYS FORWARD
Threat to life, safety, and security		
Presence of the military are feared by the community due to possibility of wrong identification by the military.	The military has instructed barangay officials to convince their constituents to return as the security situations have returned to normalcy.	Constant monitoring on the activities of the military as well as the lawless elements to prevent violations to the community.

<b>Gender-based violence</b>		
No issues were reported related to this sector for IDPs from Panoroganan and Sitio Kiyaniabong, Rogongon.  No data for IDPs in Kalilangan		Coordinate with other agencies with a protection mandate and are able to visit Barangay Kalilangan for protection monitoring
<b>Children associated with armed forces and armed groups</b>		
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<b>Threat to liberty and freedom of movement</b>		
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<b>Family separation</b>		
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<b>Human trafficking</b>		
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<b>Loss of civil status and nationality</b>		
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<b>Non-Food Items</b>		
IDPs from Panoroganan and Kiyaniabong Rogongon who were displaced in Rogongon have expressed their need for blankets and kitchen sets because they were not able to bring some of their belongings.  In evacuation centers in Kalilangan, CSWO reported that there is need for reinforced plastic sheets to be used as temporary walls for the tribal hall, as it is open and it gets cold at night.	IDPs from Panoroganan and Kiyaniabong Rogongon who were displaced in Rogongon have expressed their need for blankets and kitchen sets because they were not able to bring some of their belongings.  In evacuation centers in Kalilangan, CSWO reported that there is need for reinforced plastic sheets to be used as temporary walls for the tribal hall, as it is open and it gets cold at night.	IDPs from Panoroganan and Kiyaniabong Rogongon who were displaced in Rogongon have expressed their need for blankets and kitchen sets because they were not able to bring some of their belongings.  In evacuation centers in Kalilangan, CSWO reported that there is need for reinforced plastic sheets to be used as temporary walls for the tribal hall, as it is open and it gets cold at night.
<b>Food aid and nutrition</b>		
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Water and sanitation		
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Health		
IDPs in the Bayanihan EC in Barangay Rogongon have access to health through their Barangay Health Stations in Rogongon. IDPs are free to access health services.  No data for IDPs in Kalilangan	Monitoring is yet to be conducted in Barnagay Kalilangan due to impassable roads.	Coordinate with other agencies with a protection mandate and are able to visit Barangay Kalilangan for protection monitoring
Education		
Children's schooling is affected due to unstable situation in the past 6 days. However, there are some IDP children attending classes in Barangay Rogongon.  No data for IDPs in Kalilangan	Monitoring is yet to be conducted in Barnagay Kalilangan due to impassable roads.	Coordinate with other agencies with a protection mandate and are able to visit Barangay Kalilangan for protection monitoring
Land and Property		
Most of the IDPs have not visited their farm lands while displaced due to fear. Damages to crops are expected because of wild animals while the farm lands are left unattended.	No Response yet.	City Local Government Unit particularly agriculture office to monitor their situation.  Coordinate with other agencies with a protection mandate and are able to visit Barangay Kalilangan for protection monitoring
Justice		
No issues were reported related to this sector for IDPs coming from Panoroganan and Kiyaniabong, Rogongon, however, there is a need to monitor situations in barangay kalilangan.  Residents remain apprehensive that the unresolved land claims may lead to tensions flaring up again, despite the issue supposedly being settled already in the past. The ongoing fighting involves the same parties to the land dispute.	Protection Monitoring is yet to be conducted in the said barangays.	Coordinate with other agencies with a protection mandate and are able to visit Barangay Kalilangan for protection monitoring

## PERSONS OF CONCERN

No. of Fam	No. of Persons +/-	Location (Origin)				Location (Current)						
		Province	Mun	Barangay	Sitio	Province	Mun	Barangay	Sitio	Exact Location		
148	✓	740	✓	Lanao del Norte	Iligan City	Kalilangan		Lanao del Norte	Iligan City	Kalilangan	Poblacion	Tribal Hall, Tamana Building, Mosque
21		105		Lanao del Norte	Iligan City	Panoroganan	Kadiis	Lanao del Norte	Iligan City	Rogongon	Bayanihan Poblacion Rogongon	Barangay Hall
55		275		Lanao del Norte	Iligan City	Panoroganan	Pinasangka	Lanao del Norte	Iligan City	Panoroganan	Poblacion	(Need to be validated)
49		245		Lanao del Norte	Iligan City	Rogongon	Kiyaniabong	Lanao del Norte	Iligan City	Rogongon	Bayanihan	

## DURABLE SOLUTIONS

No. of Fam	+/-	No. of Persons	+/-	Location (Displaced)			Location (Current)			Type (Please select one)		
				Province	Mun	Barangay	Province	Mun.	Barangay	Return	Relocation	Local Integration
26	✓	130	✓	Lanao del Norte	Iligan City	Bayanihan	Lanao del Norte	Iligan City	Panoroganan	✓		

## SOURCES

Sultan Estorya Macadatar, Tribal Leader, Panoroganan – 0907-1746-014

Saadra Sumokor, Brgy. Kagawad, Panoroganan, 0909-3184-343

Nena Macalisang, CSWD, Barangay Saray, Iligan City

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### The IDP Protection Assessment Form (IDPPAR)

The IDP Protection Assessment Form aims to provide a starting point for information and analysis that can help humanitarian agencies, policy makers and other stakeholders concerning instances of forced displacement or solutions (repatriation, resettlement, integration). The number of people displaced/affected may differ from the number in need of humanitarian assistance. To the extent possible, the terminology used in the Dashboard reflects the *UN Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement* and other sources of international law and practice. The information reported in the IDP Protection Assessment Forms has been received from members of the Protection Cluster across Mindanao. Consequently, unreported cases of forced displacement and solutions are not reflected. Updates will be provided as and when more information is received from members. Although efforts are made to verify the data, the Protection Cluster takes no responsibility for the incompleteness or inaccuracy of the information. At the end of every month, this data is compiled and distributed through the '**Protection Dashboard**'. The information provided in this IDP Assessment Report does not necessarily reflect the views of UNHCR or any individual member of the Protection Cluster.

### The Protection Cluster

In the Philippines, the protection cluster has been established by the National Disaster Coordinating Council (NDCC) Circular No 5 series of 10 May 2007 (Institutionalizing Cluster Approach in Philippine Disaster System). The cluster approach is part of a global response aimed at providing more timely and consistent help to the internally displaced and other affected people in complex emergencies and disasters. The Protection Cluster in Mindanao meets in Cotabato, Iligan, Davao and other cities on a regular basis. Currently there are over 100 participating agencies including from the Government, State, Civil Society, national and international NGOs and agencies, as well as the United Nations. For more information, please visit the Protection Cluster website <http://www.protectioncluster.org/philippines/> or e-mail us at PHICOPRC@unhcr.org



## KEY FIGURES



**1,220** (244 Families)  
Total number of individuals displaced at the time of the incident



**130** (26 Families)  
Total number of individuals who have returned



**1,090** (218 Families)  
Total number of presently displaced individuals

## Location of presently displaced population

- 740 individuals (148 Families) staying in evacuation centers, namely: Tribal Hall EC, Tamana Building and Mosque in Barangay Kalilangan
- 350 individuals (70 Families) staying with their relatives in Barangay Rogongon
- 275 individuals (55 Families) staying in Poblacion of Panorogonan (for validation)

## LEGEND

- Conflict
- Displaced individuals
- Returned individuals
- Presently displaced individuals
- Evacuation center
- Road
- Provincial boundary
- Municipal boundary
- Barangay boundary

## LOCATION MAP

