

# IDP PROTECTION ASSESSMENT REPORT (IDPPAR)

## FORCE DISPLACEMENT DUE TO ARMED CONFLICT IN MUNICIPALITY OF TIPO-TIPO, BASILAN PROVINCE

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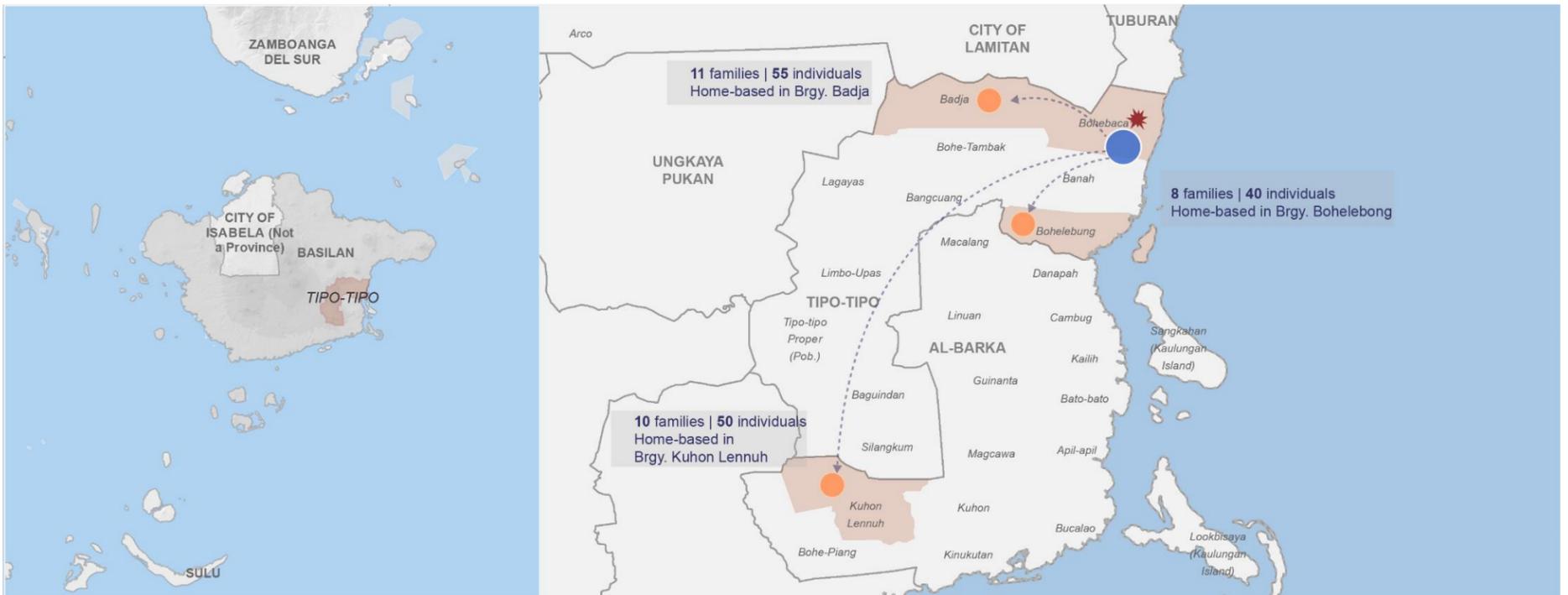

 UNHCR exists to protect and assist everyone who has been affected by forced displacement in Mindanao. To coordinate assistance to IDPs, we use a cluster approach. UNHCR works closely with the government and Mindanao Humanitarian Team to identify needs of IDPs in areas of assistance, such as shelter, health care, shelter and protection. We assume a coordination and operational delivery role in IDP situations to ensure protection is central to our work in order to prevent further displacement.

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<b>DATE OF DISPLACEMENT #</b> 29/01/2021	<b>TIME OF DISPLACEMENT:</b> 1415H	<b>GPS COORDINATES (If available):</b>
<b>BARANGAY:</b> BOHEBACA	<b>MUNICIPALITY:</b> TIPO-TIPO	<b>PROVINCE:</b> BASILAN

**TYPE OF DISPLACEMENT:**  **NEW DISPLACEMENT**     **RECURRENT DISPLACEMENT** | Please refer to issue # 
**REASON FOR DISPLACEMENT**      **NATURAL DISASTER**      **ARMED CONFLICT**      **VIOLENCE**  
**PLEASE SPECIFY:** Firefight

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### INCIDENT BACKGROUND

On 29 January 2021, an armed encounter erupted between the joint elements of the security forces of the government and Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) against unidentified armed men in Barangay Bohebaca, Tipo-Tipo, Municipality, Basilan Province, resulting to displacement of 43 families (approximately 215 individuals) who sought temporary refuge with their relatives. According to report, one was killed and another person was wounded as a result of the firefight.

### CURRENT SITUATION

As of 1 February 2021, 14 families (approximately 70 individuals) have returned to Barangay Bohebaca, while the other families have opted to stay with their relatives due to fear of possible retaliation.

The Municipal Local Government Unit (MLGU) of Tipo-Tipo has provided relief packs to some displaced families through the Barangay Local Government Units (BLGUs) of host communities and currently, the Tipo-Tipo Municipal Office of the Ministry of Social Services and Development (MSSD) and i-PART monitors are continuously monitoring and validating the situation of the IDPs.

Meanwhile, a joint task force composed of the 114th Base Command of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) and the security forces of the government were temporarily deployed in the affected communities to help stabilize peace and security.

### INCIDENT KEY FIGURES


**Families**  
 29


**Persons**  
 145


**Missing**  
 0


**Damaged Houses**  
 1


**In need of shelter**  
 0


**Children**  
 No data


**Civilian death**  
 0


**Civilian Injured**  
 0


**Vulnerable Persons**  
 No data



## I. THREAT TO LIFE, SAFETY AND SECURITY

Protection assessment considers the various threats to life, safety and security of displaced persons stemming from crime, violence, armed conflict or nature disaster

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
1.	Some of the displaced families opted to stay within their relatives due to uncertainties on the security condition in their communities. They expressed concerns on potential retaliatory attacks from the unidentified armed group as the situation remains unaddressed.	Elements of the MILF and government security forces were temporarily deployed in Barangay Bohebaca to stabilize its peace and order situation.	Continuous monitoring on the situation until all IDPs have returned to their places of origin.  Referral of protection issues to concerned authorities.

## II. SHELTER

Shelter: meet the need for roofing and other materials from local sources if possible

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
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## III. FOOD AND NUTRITION

Ensure that IDPs receive a minimum basic food ration.

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4.	Some IDP families shared that the displacement has impacted their access to food due to financial incapability to provide food for their families.	BLGU has endorsed the list of affected families to MSSD for food assistance.  Municipal and barangay LGUs as well as some private individuals, such as the host families, have provided food packs to the displaced families.	Continuous provision of food packs while IDPs are looking for means to provide food for their families.

## IV. WASH

Ensure sanitary facilities such as showers, toilets and washing areas are in place.

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4.	Insufficient supply of potable water at the displacement sites. The available WASH facilities do not meet the minimum standards to accommodate the number of families. 2-3 families are struggling to use the available WASH facility. There is also an apprehension that this might lead to potential conflict between the IDPs and the hosts.	No response.	Support for water needs such as water ration in the displacement site.  Identification of designated evacuation centers with available WASH facilities.

## V. EDUCATION

Particular attention must be placed on the risks faced by adolescent girls, such as lack of access to education

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
7.	No significant concerns raised.	Nothing to report.	Nothing to report.



NEEDS ANALYSIS	Remarks
<b>Protection</b>	Continuous monitoring by the BLGU on the situation of the IDPs as well as the returning families to ensure their safety.
<b>Food</b>	Allocation of the 5% emergency fund of the barangay LGU to be provided for food distribution sustainability for the IDPs.
<b>Shelter</b>	Identification of potential location that can accommodate the number of IDPs at the time of displacement to help address the congestions in their current locations.
<b>WASH</b>	Regular monitoring of health personnel, such as Barangay Health Workers, to check if health protocols are being followed as well as ensure that persons with special needs such as elderlies, pregnant and lactating women, children and persons with disabilities are taken care of, and identification of evacuation sites with available WASH facilities.
<b>HEALTH</b>	Regular monitoring of health personnel, such as Barangay Health Worker, to check if health protocols are being followed as well as ensure that persons with special needs such as elderlies, pregnant and lactating women, children and persons with disabilities are taken care of.

**SOURCES:**

- Municipal Local Government Unit (MLGU) of Tipo-Tipo; Municipal Social Welfare Officer
- Barangay Local Government Unit (BLGU) of Bohebaca i-Part monitors
- Internally Displaced Persons

**ACTIVITY PHOTOS:**



Meeting with MSWO, referral of issues monitored by i-PART



Consultation with the Barangay Chairperson of Bohebaca (in maroon shirt) in relation to the displacement



Interview with the IDPs



Partially damaged house due to the armed encounter

## IDP ASSESSMENT REPORT

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.

## MINDANAO VIRTUAL PROTECTION COORDINATION PLATFORM (MVPCP)

In the present circumstances where no limited physical access to IDPs is possible, and humanitarian actors are adjusting response using alternative modalities to access people in need including relying on social media, phones and other online communication tools to maintain regular communication with protection monitors within IDP community, as well as host communities, Mindanao Virtual Protection Coordination Platform (MVPCP) will strengthen coordination among relevant actors with a protection role (from regional and provincial down to municipal and community level) in Mindanao

Under the leadership of Ministry of Social Services and Development (MSSD) and with full participation of key state agencies: DSWD, BARMM READI and IATF, members of MVPCP will work closely to ensure that COVID-19 related prevention and response initiatives at the national level include IDPs, while at the same time closely monitoring their application to ensure that IDPs have access to basic services. Members of the MVPCP will work closely to ensure timely prevention of and response to protection issues in Mindanao including BARMM region and facilitate timely information-sharing with the IDP community on health measures in response to COVID-19.

## WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

UNHCR works in partnership with government entities, INGOs, NGOs, CSOs, and UN Agencies, and other organizations. Its primary role is to share information on protection risks and needs and to facilitate coordinated intervention among the various actors involved in IDP protection. UNHCR has project partnership with CFSI, CHR, ACCORD, MMI, KI, TKI, ACTED and IRDT covering Mindanao island including BARMM region. In addition to its project partnership, UNHCR works closely with local authorities and Mindanao Humanitarian Actors including: UNICEF | IOM | OCHA | UNDP | UNFPA | UNHABITAT | WFP | WHO | OXFAM | ACTION AGAINST HUNGER | CARE | UNWOMEN | ICRC | SAVE THE CHILDREN | KFPDI | PRC

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