

IDP PROTECTION ASSESSMENT REPORT (IDPPAR)

Forced Displacement in Barangay Guiong, Sumisip Municipality, Basilan Province

2021

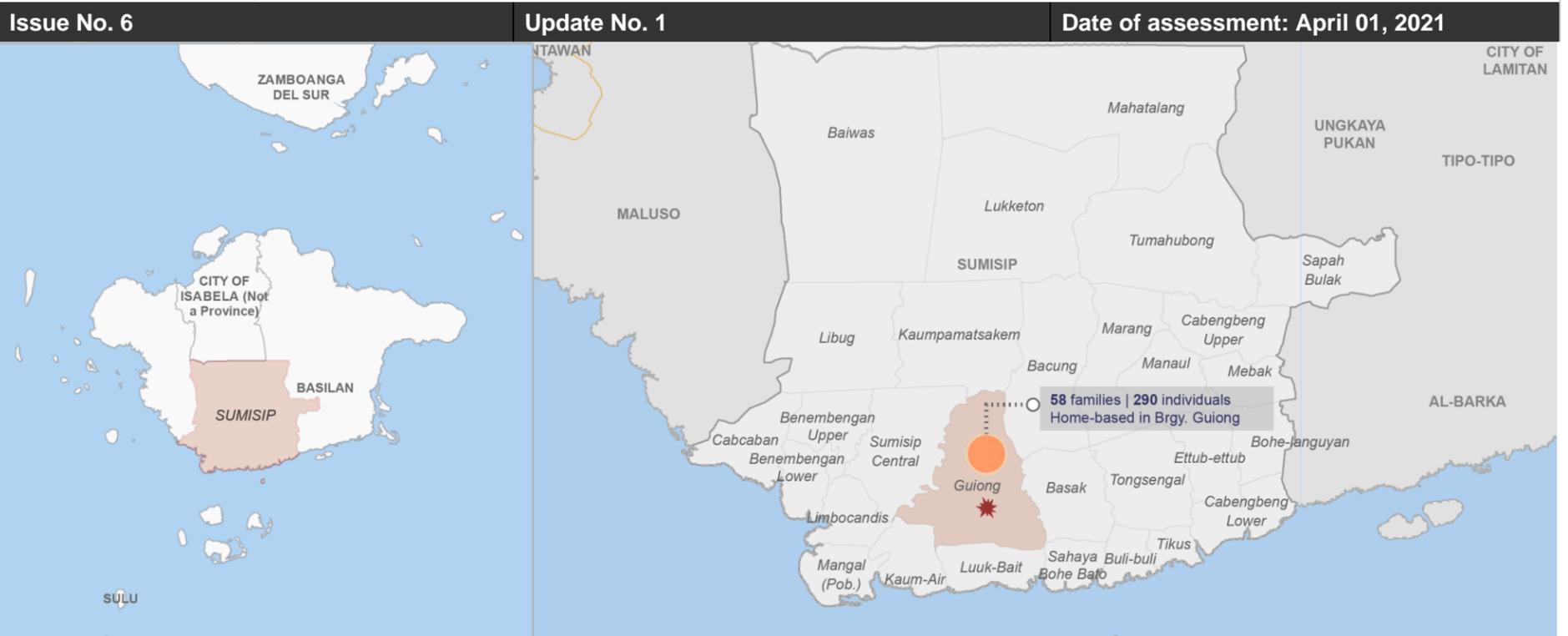

UNHCR exists to protect and assist everyone who has been affected by forced displacement in Mindanao. To coordinate assistance to IDPs, we use a cluster approach. UNHCR works closely with the government and Mindanao Humanitarian Team to identify needs of IDPs in areas of assistance, such as , health 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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DATE OF DISPLACEMENT: 21/03/2021	TIME OF DISPLACEMENT: 1530H	GPS COORDINATES (If available): N/A
BARANGAY: Guiong	MUNICIPALITY: Sumisip	PROVINCE: Basilan

TYPE OF DISPLACEMENT: **New** **Recurrent** | Please refer to issue #

REASON FOR DISPLACEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> NATURAL DISASTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARMED CONFLICT	<input type="checkbox"/> VIOLENCE
Please specify: Firefight between the AFP and unidentified lawless group			



INCIDENT BACKGROUND

On 16 March 2021, some military personnel of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) were ambushed by unidentified armed men in Sitio Matinneh, Barangay Guiong in Sumisip Municipality while the former were patrolling the area. The said incident resulted to the displacement of 21 families (approximately 105 individuals) who sought temporary refuge within their relatives.

On 21 March 2021, another 37 families (approximately 185 individuals) were preemptively displaced from Sitio Oval, Barangay Guiong to a safer location due to fear of potential clashes between the AFP and the said armed group.

On 01 April 2021, the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO), with the presence of local chief executive of Sumisip Municipality conducted an assessment and validation for possible intervention to the IDPs.

CURRENT SITUATION

On 1 April 2021, the Municipal Social Welfare Officer (MSWO) of Sumisip Municipality conducted an assessment and validation to determine the urgent protection issues and needs of the displaced families.

The Municipal Local Government Unit (MLGU) provided food packs to the displaced families while return is not yet feasible. Based on the interview conducted by the protection partners, some of the IDP respondents expressed their concern regarding the shortage of food commodities because of their limited access to their sources of livelihood.

INCIDENT KEY FIGURES


Families
58

Persons
290

Missing
0

Damaged Houses
0

In Need of Shelter
0

Children
32

Civilian Death
1

Civilian Injured
0

Vulnerable Persons
19



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
	The displaced families continue to raise concerns on their safety due to the presence of the armed group. They are reluctant to return to their places of origin due to fear of potential clash between the AFP and the armed group.	Tiyakap Kalilintad Inc. (TKI) conducted protection monitoring and interview with the IDPs to determine their urgent issues and needs. The AFP established a post in the site, which is located at approximately 300 meters away from the populated area.	Continuous monitoring of the protection situations of the displaced populations must be conducted by government agencies and protection partners.

II. SHELTER

Meet the need for roofing and other materials from local sources if possible

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
1	For further assessment and verification	For further assessment and verification	For further assessment and verification

III. FOOD AND NUTRITION

Ensure that IDPs receive a minimum basic food ration.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
1	The displaced families expressed their need for food aid. The food they bought are already insufficient for their daily consumption and they cannot regularly access their source of livelihood due to the uncertainty of the situation.	The MLGU and the MSWDO in Sumisip Municipality provided food packs to displaced families.	Protection partners and MSWO will continue monitoring the situation of the IDPs until they are able to return to their places of origin. MLGU will continue to provide food ration while return is not yet feasible.

IV. WASH

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

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
1	In the absence of communal latrine in the host community, protection partners observed that some IDP families are practicing open defecation.	For further assessment and verification	Hygiene kits, especially sanitizer and hand soap must be provided to the displaced families.

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
1	For further assessment and verification	For further assessment and verification	For further assessment and verification

VI. HOUSING, LAND AND PROPERTY (HLP)

Report any HLP related issues.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
1	For further assessment and verification	For further assessment and verification	For further assessment and verification

VII. HEALTH

Ensure that IDPs have access to health facilities.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
1	For further assessment and verification	For further assessment and verification	For further assessment and verification

VIII. Vulnerable Persons

Particular attention should be given to persons with specific needs and vulnerable groups.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
1	A total of 19 individuals were assessed as people with special needs (PWSNs), but no specific interventions were provided to them.	For further assessment and verification	Protection of vulnerable population must be mainstreamed in all reporting of humanitarian actors.

IX. Core relief items (CRIs)

Particular attention should be given to vulnerable persons in need of core relief items.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
1	No CRI or hygiene kits were provided to the displaced families.	For further verification	There should be provision of hygiene kits, face masks and face shields.

PERSONS OF CONCERN (Breakdown by Location)

Location (Origin)	Location (Current)
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PROTECTION ISSUES AND RESPONSE

No. of Families	+/-	No. of Persons	+/-	Province	Mun	Barangay	Sitio	Province	Mun	Barangay	Sitio	Exact Location
45		225		Basilan	Sumisip	Guiong	Oval	Basilan	Sumisip	Guiong	Proper Guiong	Home base
5		25		Basilan	Sumisip	Guiong	Oval	Basilan	Sumisip	Guiong	Sitio Tumahubong	Home base
8		40		Basilan	Sumisip	Guiong	Oval	Basilan	Sumisip	Guiong	Sitio Matinneh (Lower Guiong)	Home base

DURABLE SOLUTIONS (Breakdown by Location)

Location (Displaced)							Location (Current)			type(please select one)		
No. of Families	+/-	No. of Persons	+/-	Province	Mun	Barangay	Province	Mun	Barangay	Returned	Relocation	Local Integration

NEEDS ANALYSIS	Remarks
PROTECTION	MLGU should continue to monitor the situation of the displaced families in order to ensure their safety and well-being.
FOOD	MLGU/MSWO must support the barangay officials in providing food packs while return of the IDPs to their places of origin is not feasible. BLGU should also utilize their calamity fund for food subsidy.
SHELTER	MLGU/MSWO and protection partners should monitor the houses and properties left by the displaced families in their places of origin.
WASH	Health workers must monitor the situation of the displaced families to ensure CoVID-19 protocols are still observed while they are with their host families. CoVID-19 awareness raising activities must also be conducted in the community. BLGU should also facilitate construction of emergency latrines to accommodate needs of the displaced families.

SOURCES

- Municipal Local Government Unit – Sumisip
- Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office – Sumisip
- Barangay Local Government Unit – Guiong
- Internally Displaced Persons interviewed by TKI
- Tiyakap Kalilintad Inc.
- Inter-Island Protection Action and Response Team (I-PART)

ACTIVITY PHOTOS



TKI conducted coordination meeting with MSWO-Sumisip to raise the IDP concerns in the community.
Credit: TKI-Basilan



Condition of one of the displaced families in Brgy. Guiong, Sumisip Municipality in Basilan Province.
Credit : TKI-Basilan



Peace dialogue was initiated by the MLGU-Sumisip and attended by the representatives of the parties held in Sumisip, Basilan. In attendance were the staff from TKI and volunteers from Inter-Island protection action and response team (i-PART).
Credit: TKI-Basilan

IDP ASSESSMENT REPORT

The IDP Protection Assessment Report 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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