

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 09 Series of 2017

DIRECTING A 24/7 OPERATION OF THE MAIN DISASTER OPERATIONS CENTER IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING, UNTIL AFTER A STORM, OR ANY TYPE OF DISASTER AFFECTING THE MUNICIPALITY.

WHEREAS, Disaster Operations Center serve as an avenue for coordinating efforts to prevent, prepare for and to respond to disasters;

WHEREAS, the municipal hall building is designated as the Main Disaster Operations Center of the LDRRMC pursuant to Administrative Order No. 09-13-N issued by the Local Chief Executive;

WHEREAS, being the central command and coordination center, it is imperative that the main operations center shall maintain a 24/7 operations to ensure continuous monitoring and dissemination of vital information, enable quick response and maintain collaborative efforts with other LGUs, higher government offices/agencies, the public and the private sector;

**NOW THEREFORE,** by virtue of the powers vested in me as Local Chief Executive, I, **ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN**, Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Itogon, Benguet Province, hereby ORDER as follows, to wit;

**Section 1.** The Main Disaster Operations Center shall be on a 24/7 operations immediately preceding, until after a storm, and other type of disaster that will affect the Municipality of Itogon.

Section 2. Along with the main operations center, all sub-operations center designated under A.O. No. 09-13-N shall likewise be activated and operation on a 24/7 basis to provide support services and quick response to their respective areas of jurisdiction.

Section 3. The MDRRM Team created by virtue of the afore-mentioned Administrative Order shall serve as support staff to man the operations center. For this purpose, the MDRRMO shall designate members of the team to be assigned at the main and at the different sub-operations center. Provided further that all municipal emergency responders, drivers, heavy equipment operators, health and MSWDO personnel are required to be present at the main operations center for the rendition of necessary services. Provided finally, that all Punong Barangays shall activate their respective emergency responders, health volunteers and barangay tanods on a Red Alert status and shall likewise require them to Immediately report to their respective barangay halls upon instruction from the Local Chief Executive.

Section 4. The MDRRMO, together with the MSWD Officer shall ensure prior prepositioning of stocks to the sub-operations centers for quick distribution as the necessity arises. Relatively, food and non-food supplies including medicines funded under the LDRRM Fund should be procured immediately in accordance with the provisions of R.A. 9184 upon approval of the Annual Budget.

Section 5. Under normal conditions, the main operations center shall still function on a regular basis wherein the MDRRM Officer will hold office to perform his duties and functions as provided under R.A. 10121, its implementing rules and regulations and such other related issuances. Provided further that said MDRRM Officer shall always update the Local Chief Executive on all matters pertaining to disaster risk reduction and management.

**Section 6.** If for any reason, part or parts of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional by competent authorities, the remaining portions hereof not affected by such declaration remain to be in full force and affect.

Section 7. All Executive Orders or parts thereof inconsistent herewith or parts hereof are deemed repealed and/or modified accordingly.

Section 8. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017 at Itogon, Benguet.

ATTY. VIC T. PALANGDAN Municipal Ma