



TROPICAL CYCLONE BULLETIN NR. 18

Severe Tropical Storm OPONG (BUALOI)

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OPOONG HAS MADE ANOTHER LANDFALL OVER MANSALAY, ORIENTAL MINDORO.

Location of Center (1:00 PM)

The center of Severe Tropical Storm OPOONG was estimated based on all available data, including those from Daet Doppler Weather Radar in the vicinity of San Jose, Occidental Mindoro (**12.4°N, 121.1°E**).

Intensity

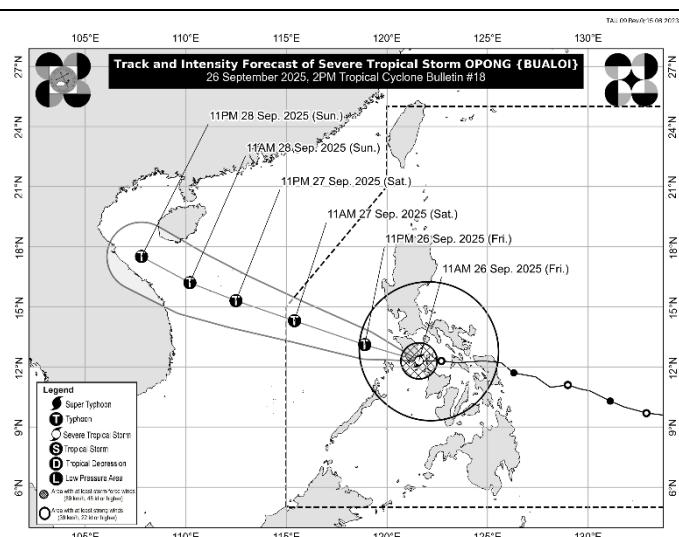
Maximum sustained winds of **110 km/h** near the center, gustiness of up to **150 km/h**, and central pressure of **985 hPa**.

Present Movement

Westward at 20 km/h

Extent of Tropical Cyclone Winds

Strong to storm-force winds extend outwards up to 460 km from the center



TRACK AND INTENSITY FORECAST

Date and Time	Center Position			Intensity		Movement dir. and speed (km/h)
	Lat. (°N)	Lon. (°E)	Location	MSW (km/h)	Cat.	
12-Hour Forecast 11:00 PM 26 September 2025	13.1	118.4	305 km West of Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro	120	TY	WNW 25
24-Hour Forecast 11:00 AM 27 September 2025	14.3	115.4	590 km West of Indang, Cavite	130	TY	WNW 35
36-Hour Forecast 11:00 PM 27 September 2025	15.3	112.5	800 km West of Central Luzon (OUTSIDE PAR)	130	TY	WNW 30
48-Hour Forecast 11:00 AM 28 September 2025	16.2	110.2	1,085 km West of Northern Luzon (OUTSIDE PAR)	150	TY	WNW 20
60-Hour Forecast 11:00 PM 28 September 2025	17.5	107.8	1,340 km West of Northern Luzon (OUTSIDE PAR)	150	TY	WNW 25



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TCWS No.	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao
3 Wind threat: Storm-force winds	Batangas, Marinduque, Romblon, Occidental Mindoro, Oriental Mindoro, and Calamian Islands Warning lead time: 18 hours Range of wind speeds: 89 to 117 km/h (Beaufort 10 to 11) Potential impacts of winds: Moderate to significant threat to life and property	The northwestern portion of Aklan (Malay, Nabas, Buruanga), and Caluya Islands	-
2 Wind threat: Gale-force winds	The southern portion of Zambales (San Marcelino, Subic, Olongapo City, Castillejos, San Antonio, San Narciso, San Felipe), Bataan, the southern portion of Pampanga (Porac, Santa Rita, Guagua, Sasmuan, Macabebe, Masantol, Santo Tomas, San Simon, Minalin, City of San Fernando, Bacolor, Floridablanca, Apalit, Lubao), the southern portion of Bulacan (Obando, Paombong, Bocaue, City of San Jose del Monte, Bustos, City of Malolos, City of Meycauayan, Balagtas, Guiguinto, Pandi, Plaridel, Calumpit, Santa Maria, Hagonoy, Baliuag, Bulacan, Marilao, Pulilan), Metro Manila, Rizal, Cavite, Laguna, the central and southern portions of Quezon (Pitogo, Buenavista, Lucena City, Pagbilao, Tiaong, Lopez, Catanauan, Mulanay, Unisan, General Luna, Plaridel, Quezon, San Antonio, Alabat, Candelaria, Lucban, Sampaloc, Padre Burgos, Sariaya, City of Tayabas, Macalelon, Mauban, Dolores, Perez, Agdangan, Gumaca, Atimonan, Real, San Narciso, San Francisco, San Andres), Cuyo Islands, the northern portion of Palawan (El Nido, Taytay, Araceli), and the western portion of Masbate (Aroroy, Balud, Mandaon, Milagros, City of Masbate, Baleno) including Burias Island Warning lead time: 24 hours Range of wind speeds: 62 to 88 km/h (Beaufort 8 to 9) Potential impacts of winds: Minor to moderate threat to life and property	The northern portion of Antique (Libertad, Pandan, Sebaste, Culasi, Valderrama, Barbaza, Tibiao, Patnongan, Laua-An, Bugasong), the rest of Aklan, Capiz, and the northern portion of Iloilo (Estancia, Carles, Balasan, Batad, San Dionisio, Concepcion, Sara, Ajuy, Lemery, Barotac Viejo, San Rafael, San Enrique, City of Passi, Bingawan, Calinog, Lambunao, Dueñas)	

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1 Wind threat: Strong winds	Pangasinan, the rest of Zambales, Tarlac, Nueva Ecija, the southern portion of Aurora (Dingalan, Baler, Maria Aurora, San Luis), the rest of Pampanga, the rest of Bulacan, the rest of Quezon, the northern portion of Palawan (Dumaran, San Vicente, Roxas), Camarines Norte, Camarines Sur, Catanduanes, Albay, Sorsogon, and the rest of Masbate	The rest of Antique, the rest of Iloilo, Guimaras, the northern and central portions of Negros Occidental (Calatrava, Salvador Benedicto, San Carlos City, City of Talisay, Bacolod City, Bago City, Murcia, La Castellana, Valladolid, Pulupandan, La Carlota City, San Enrique, Pontevedra, Moises Padilla, Isabela, Hinigaran, City of Escalante, Toboso, Cadiz City, Sagay City, Manapla, City of Victorias, Enrique B. Magalona, Silay City), the northern portion of Negros Oriental (Vallehermoso, Canlaon City, City of Guihulngan), the northern and central portion of Cebu (Asturias, Danao City, Compostela, Liloan, Consolacion, Cebu City, Balamban, Mandaue City, Lapu-Lapu City, Toledo City, City of Talisay, Pinamungahan, Minglanilla, City of Naga, San Fernando, Aloguinsan, Borbon, Carmen, Tuburan, City of Bogo, Tabogon, Catmon, Cordova, San Remigio, Sogod, Tabuelan, Barili, City of Carcar, Medellin, Daanbantayan) including Bantayan Islands and Camotes Islands, the northern portion of Bohol (Getafe, Talibon, Bien Unido, Ubay, Trinidad, Pres. Carlos P. Garcia, Mabini, San Miguel, Alicia, Pilar, Dagohoy, Danao, Buenavista, Inabanga, Clarin, Sagbayan), Northern Samar, Samar, the northern and central portions of Eastern Samar (Quinapondan, Can-Avid, Lawaan, Maslog, Balangiga, City of Borongan, San Policarpio, Taft, Llorente, Maydolong, Dolores, Giporlos, Jipapad, Oras, Arteche, Balangkayan, Sulat, San Julian, General MacArthur, Hernani), Biliran, and Leyte	-
Warning lead time: 36 hours Range of wind speeds: 39 to 61 km/h (Beaufort 6 to 7) Potential impacts of winds: Minimal to minor threat to life and property			

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OTHER HAZARDS AFFECTING LAND AREAS

Heavy Rainfall Outlook

Refer to Weather Advisory No. 28 issued at 11:00 AM today for the heavy rainfall outlook due to Tropical Cyclone OPONG and the Southwest Monsoon.

Severe Winds

The wind signals warn the public of the general wind threat over an area due to the tropical cyclone. Local winds may be slightly stronger/enhanced in coastal and upland/mountainous areas exposed to winds. Winds are less strong in areas sheltered from the prevailing wind direction.

- **Moderate to significant impacts** from storm-force winds are possible within any of the areas under Wind Signal No 3.
- **Minor to moderate impacts** from gale-force winds are possible within any of the areas under Wind Signal No. 2.
- **Minimal to minor impacts** from strong winds are possible within any of the areas under Wind Signal No. 1.

The Southwest Monsoon enhanced by OPONG, will bring **strong to gale-force gusts** over the following areas **not under Wind Signal** (especially in coastal and upland areas exposed to winds):

- **Today:** Ilocos Region, Cordillera Administrative Region, Cagayan Valley, Palawan, Visayas, Zamboanga del Norte, Misamis Occidental, Misamis Oriental, Camiguin, Caraga Region, and Davao Region.
- **Tomorrow (27 September):** Luzon and Western Visayas.



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HAZARDS AFFECTING COASTAL WATERS

A Gale Warning is in effect over the seabards of Southern Luzon and Visayas and the western seaboard of Central Luzon. Refer to Gale Warning No. 3 issued at 5:00 AM today.

24-Hour Sea Condition Outlook

Up to very rough, high, or very high over the following coastal waters:

- Up to 9.0 m: The seabards of Oriental Mindoro and Occidental Mindoro
- Up to 6.0 m: The seabards of Batangas, Quezon, Romblon, and Marinduque.
- Up to 4.5 m: The seabards of Zambales, Bicol Region, Calamian Islands, Cuyo Islands, Western Visayas, Negros Occidental, Bantayan Islands, Camotes Islands, Northern Samar, Eastern Samar, Samar, Biliran; the western seabards of Cavite and Bataan; the northern and western coasts of Leyte; the northern seaboard of Cebu.
- **Sea travel is risky for all types or tonnage of vessels. All mariners must remain in port or, if underway, seek shelter or safe harbor as soon as possible until winds and waves subside.**

Up to rough seas over the following coastal waters:

- Up to 4.0 m: The seabards of Isabela, Aurora, Pampanga, Bulacan, and Metro Manila; the western seaboard of Pangasinan; the remaining seabards of Bataan and Cavite.
- Up to 3.5 m: The seabards of Batanes, Ilocos Norte, and Cagayan including Babuyan Islands; the eastern seabards of Dinagat and Siargao Islands; the western seaboard of northern Palawan.
- **Mariners of small seacrafts, including all types of motorbancas, are advised not to venture out to sea under these conditions, especially if inexperienced of operating ill-equipped vessels.**

Up to moderate seas over the following coastal waters:

- Up to 2.5 m: The seabards of Surigao del Norte, Davao del Sur, and Davao Oriental; the remaining seabards of Luzon and Visayas.
- **Mariners of motorbancas and similarly-sized vessels are advised to take precautionary measures while venturing out to sea and, if possible, avoid navigation under these conditions.**

Coastal Inundation

There is a **moderate to high risk of life-threatening storm surge** with peak heights reaching **1.0 to 3.0 m** within 24 hours over the low-lying or exposed coastal localities of Bataan, Pampanga, Bulacan, Metro Manila, CALABARZON, Occidental Mindoro including Lubang Island, Oriental Mindoro, Marinduque, Romblon, Palawan, Calamian Islands, Masbate including Burias Island, Aklan, and Antique. **Refer to Storm Surge Warning No. 9 issued at 2:00 PM today for the details.**

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TRACK AND INTENSITY OUTLOOK

- It must be emphasized that heavy rainfall, severe winds, and storm surge may still be experienced in localities outside the landfall point and the forecast confidence cone. Refer to the hoisted Wind Signals (for direct wind threat of the tropical cyclone) and “Other Hazards affecting Land Areas” for more details. Furthermore, the track may still shift more to the north or to the south but within the limit of the forecast confidence cone.
- OPONG has made another landfall over Mansalay, Oriental Mindoro at 11:30 AM today. It will emerge over the Mindoro Strait this afternoon and head towards the West Philippine Sea. On the track forecast, OPONG will exit our Philippine Area of Responsibility tomorrow (27 September) afternoon.
- OPONG may re-intensify into a Typhoon within the next 12 hours as it moves over the West Philippine Sea.

Considering these developments, the public and disaster risk reduction and management offices concerned are advised to take all necessary measures to protect life and property. Persons living in areas identified to be highly or very highly susceptible to these hazards are advised to follow evacuation and other instructions from local officials. **For heavy rainfall warnings, thunderstorm/rainfall advisories, and other severe weather information specific to your area, please monitor products issued by your local PAGASA Regional Services Division.**

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