



TROPICAL CYCLONE BULLETIN NR. 21
Severe Tropical Storm OPONG (BUALOI)

Issued at 11:00 PM, 26 September 2025

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OPONG ACCELERATES AS IT CONTINUES TO MOVE AWAY FROM MINDORO PROVINCES.

Location of Center (10:00 PM)

The center of Severe Tropical Storm OPONG was estimated based on all available data at **260 km West of Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro (13.6°N, 118.8°E)**.

Intensity

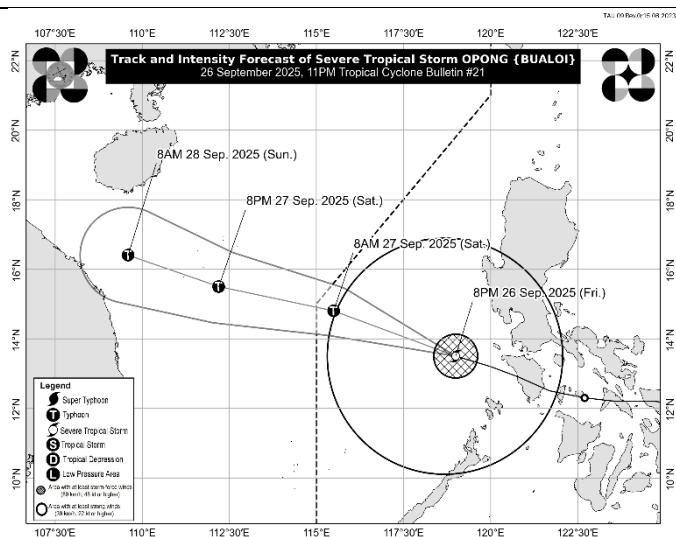
Maximum sustained winds of **110 km/h** near the center, gustiness of up to **135 km/h**, and central pressure of **985 hPa**.

Present Movement

West northwestward at 35 km/h

Extent of Tropical Cyclone Winds

Strong to storm-force winds extend outwards up to 400 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 8:00 AM 27 September 2025	14.8	115.5	535 km West of Abucay, Bataan	120	TY	WNW 35
24-Hour Forecast 8:00 PM 27 September 2025	15.5	112.2	835 km West of Central Luzon (OUTSIDE PAR)	130	TY	WNW 30
36-Hour Forecast 8:00 AM 28 September 2025	16.4	109.6	1,150 km West of Northern Luzon (OUTSIDE PAR)	140	TY	WNW 25



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TROPICAL CYCLONE WIND SIGNALS (TCWS) IN EFFECT			
TCWS No.	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao
2 Wind threat: Gale-force winds	The northwestern portion of Occidental Mindoro (Paluan, Abra de Ilog, Mamburao) including Lubang Islands 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	-	-
1 Wind threat: Strong winds	The central and western portions of Pangasinan (Basista, Lingayen, Villasis, City of Alaminos, Anda, Malasiqui, Urbiztondo, Bautista, Mangaldan, Mapandan, Burgos, Dagupan City, Bolinao, Aguilar, Alcala, Sual, Labrador, Bani, Santo Tomas, City of Urdaneta, Mangatarem, Mabini, San Carlos City, Manaoag, Binmaley, San Jacinto, Bugallon, Bayambang, Infanta, Agno, Calasiao, Santa Barbara, Dasol, San Fabian, Pozorrubio, Laoac, Binalonan, Asingan, Santa Maria, Balungao, Rosales), the southern portion of Aurora (Dingalan), the western and southern portion of Nueva Ecija (Cuyapo, City of Gapan, San Leonardo, Santo Domingo, San Isidro, Zaragoza, Guimba, Aliaga, Science City of Muñoz, Cabanatuan City, Quezon, San Antonio, General Tinio, Santa Rosa, Nampicuan, Talugtug, Peñaranda, Jaen, Licab, Cabiao, Palayan City, General Mamerto Natividad, Talavera), Tarlac, Zambales, Bulacan, Pampanga, Bataan, Metro Manila, the northern and central portions of Quezon (Lucena City, Pagbilao, Infanta, Tiaong, San Antonio, Candelaria, Lucban, Sampaloc, Sariaya, City of Tayabas, Mauban, Dolores, General Nakar, Real), Rizal, Laguna, Cavite, Batangas, Oriental Mindoro, the rest of Occidental Mindoro, and Palawan (El Nido, Taytay, Dumaran, Araceli) including Calamian Islands 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. 30 issued at 11:00 PM today for the heavy rainfall outlook due to Tropical Cyclone OPONG.

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.

- **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:** Luzon, Visayas, Zamboanga del Norte, Misamis Occidental, Misamis Oriental, Camiguin, Caraga Region, and Davao Region.
- **Tomorrow (27 September):** Luzon

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HAZARDS AFFECTING COASTAL WATERS

A Gale Warning is in effect over the seabards of Central Luzon, eastern seaboard of Northern Luzon, and the western seaboard of Southern Luzon. Refer to Gale Warning No. 5A issued at 11:00 PM today.

24-Hour Sea Condition Outlook

Up to very rough seas over the following coastal waters:

- **Up to 4.5 m:** The eastern seabards of Isabela and Aurora; the western seabards of Zambales, Bataan, and the northern portion of Palawan including Calamian Islands; the northern and western seabards of Occidental Mindoro including Lubang Island
- **Sea travel is risky for all types of 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 3.5 m:** The eastern seabards of Babuyan Islands, mainland Cagayan; the northeastern seaboard of Ilocos Norte; the western seaboard of Batangas
- **Up to 3.0 m:** The seabards of Batanes; the remaining seabards of Babuyan Islands and mainland Cagayan; the eastern seaboard of Quezon including Polillo Islands; the northern seabards of Camarines Norte and Camarines Sur
- **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 northern and eastern seabards of Catanduanes, Northern Samar, Oriental Mindoro; the eastern seabards Albay and Sorsogon; the western seabards of Ilocos Sur, La Union, and the rest of Palawan; the remaining seabards of Batangas; the seabards of Cavite, Metro Manila, Marinduque, Romblon, Aklan, and Antique.
- **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, Cavite, Batangas, Occidental Mindoro, Oriental Mindoro, the northern portion of Palawan including Calamian and Cuyo Islands, Marinduque, Romblon, the western portion of Aklan, and the northern portion of Antique. **Refer to Storm Surge Warning No. 10 issued at 8:00 PM today for the details.**

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.**
- On the track forecast, OPONG will exit the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR) tomorrow (27 September) morning or noon. Outside the PAR region, OPONG will move generally west northwestward towards northern Vietnam.
- 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.**

The next tropical cyclone bulletin will be issued at 5:00 AM tomorrow.

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