

PRESS RELEASE

**Launching “Emergency Response to Typhoon Rai in the Philippines”
Accepting donations now**

Over 2.6 million affected by the massive typhoon. Urgent assistance is needed.

On December 25, Japan Platform (JPF; Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo) – an emergency humanitarian aid organization established in 2000 in partnership among NGOs, the government, and the business community – decided to launch an emergency response to provide assistance to the people affected by Typhoon Rai (local name: Odette), which hit southern central Philippines. We look forward to receiving your support.

Emergency Response to Typhoon Rai in the Philippines

Term :	6 months
Budget :	100 million yen (government funding) , 20 million yen (private funding)
Location :	Philippines
Contents :	Food/NFI, Shelter, WASH, Healthcare

*Program term and budget will be revised as needed to reflect the conditions on the ground.

● **Overview**

◇ Between December 16 and 18, the Category 5 Typhoon Rai traversed across the Visayas in the Philippines, causing damages in many areas due to strong winds, flooding, and landslides. On December 21, a state of calamity was declared in the six regions. As of December 22, 177 deaths, 275 injuries, and 38 missing persons have been reported. A total of 2.6 million people (or around 680,000 households) were affected, and approximately 160,000 houses were totally or partially damaged*¹.

◇ The Philippine government announced on December 19 that it would accept assistance from the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and others, and aid coordination efforts have been underway since December 20. Although we do not have sufficient information at this time, shelter, food, WASH (water, sanitation, and hygiene), and health are among the immediate priority needs in the affected areas.



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◇ Considering the severity of the damages and the need for relief in the affected areas, JPF has decided to launch a response. JPF member NGOs will be providing food, shelter, health, and other assistance to the people in need, utilizing their experiences in disaster areas and their partnerships with local organizations.

As the Philippines has had a total of more than 2.83 million confirmed cases of COVID-19 with over 50,000 deaths*², we will be implementing relief activities while taking thorough preventative measures against the spread of infections. Updates will be provided regularly on the JPF [website](#) and [Facebook](#) page.

※1 : [OCHA, Flash Update No.4 Philippines: Typhoon Rai/Odette \(22 December 2021\)](#)

※2 : [WHO, Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Dashboard \(As of 15 December 2021\)](#)

●Donating to JPF

Name of bank	MUFG Bank, Ltd (Swift Code: BOTKJPJT)
Branch	Head Office
Type of account	Saving
Account number	1732758
Name of account holder	Specified Nonprofit Corporation Japan Platform
Bank Address	2-7-1, Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, 100-8388, Japan

*Thank you for your understanding in covering the bank transfer fees when you donate to us.

Name of bank	Japan Post
Bank Code and account	00120-8-140888
Name of account holder	Specified Nonprofit Corporation Japan Platform

*Please write “Emergency Response to Typhoon Rai in the Philippines” in the memo column.
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If you would like to contribute to the funding for emergency initial assessments of potential future disasters and conflicts, please support us by making a general donation. *Donations to this account will go towards JPF activities in general, not to specific programs such as the "Emergency Response to Typhoon Rai in the Philippines".

Name of bank	Japan Post
Bank Code and account	00100-7-757910
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◆About Japan Platform (JPF)

JPF is Japan’s emergency humanitarian assistance mechanism that was established in 2000 as an equal partnership among the NGOs, the business community, and the government. During both emergency and non-emergency times, it functions as a platform where the three parties and diverse people can collaborate by leveraging their strengths and resources. Through JPF, Japanese assistance is delivered quickly and effectively to people affected by natural disasters within and outside of Japan, as well as to refugees and internally displaced persons due to conflicts. To date, JPF has provided humanitarian assistance to more than 50 countries and regions, with a total of over 72 billion yen through more than 1,800 projects. While supporting over 40 member NGOs, each with its own specialties, in various ways and sharing information with them, JPF implements programs that are rooted in the needs of those who require assistance as a professional provider of emergency humanitarian assistance.

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