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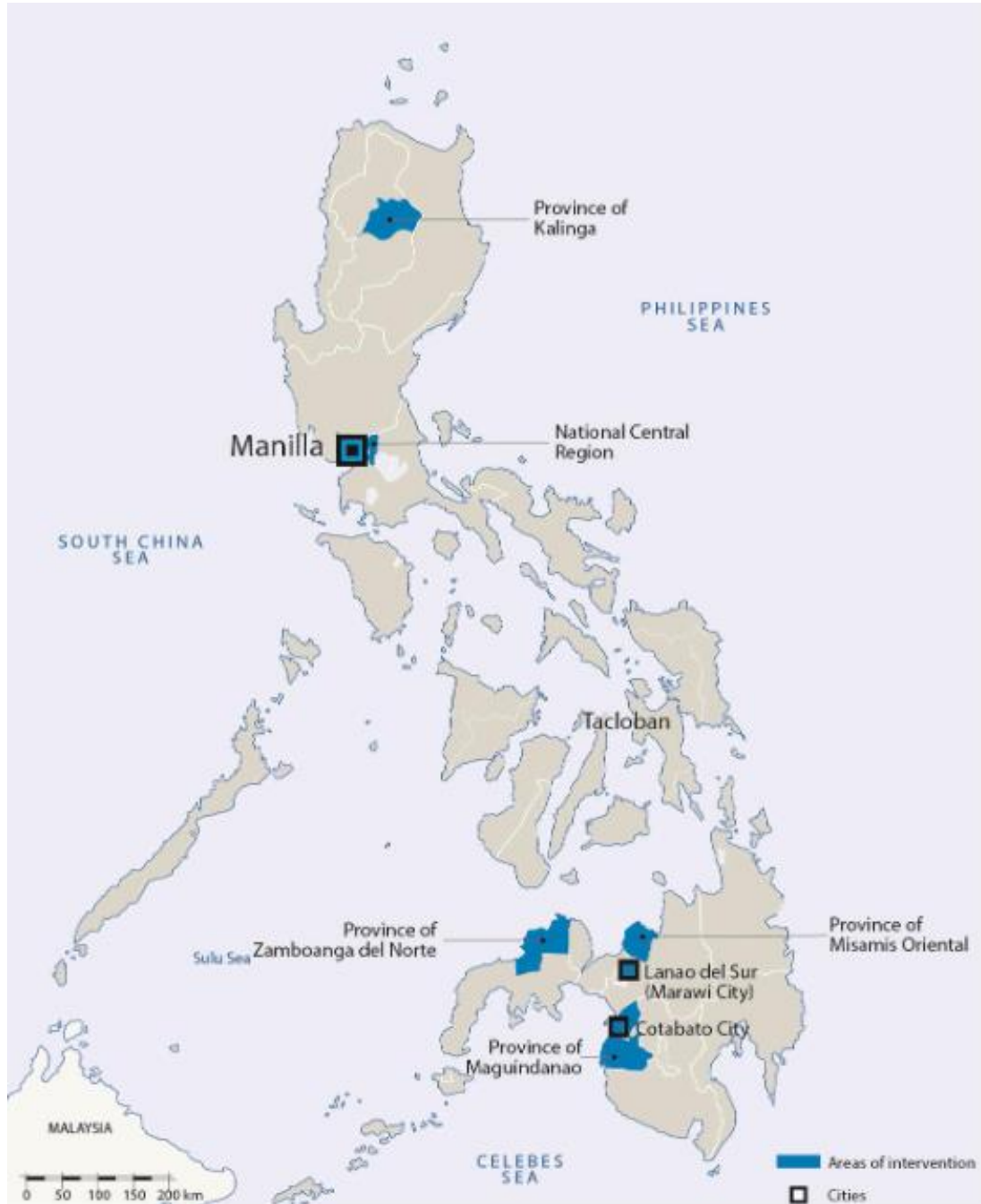
Philippines





HI Team and intervention areas

The HI Philippines program has 35 staff members





General data of the country

a. General data

Country ¹	Philippines	Neighboring country (Indonesia)	France
Population	111.046.910	276.361.788	67.499.343
IHDI	0.587	0.59	0.90
Maternal mortality	206	282	4
Gender Development Index	1.006	0.940	0.987
Population under HCR mandate	235.552	13.909	580.898
INFORM index	5.5	4.6	2.3
Fragile State Index	80.5	66.6	30.9
GINI Index	42.3	37	32.4
Population covered by at least one social protection benefit (%)	36.7	27.8	100

b. Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
Mine Ban Treaty	Signed, December 3, 1997 Ratified, February 15, 2000 State party, August 1, 2000
Convention on Cluster Munitions	Ratified, January 3, 2019 State Party, July 1, 2019
UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	Ratified, April 15, 2008

c. Geopolitical analysis

1. Social/cultural/demographic elements

¹ https://hinside.hi.org/intranet/jcms/pl1_2540344/fr/2020-update-country-indicators-2ndary-data/-donnees-secondaires-mises-a-jour



Spread over 7,500 islands, the Philippines is a country of diversity given its multilingual, multiethnic, multi tribal, and geographically dispersed population. It is one of the two Christian nations in Asia (the other one being Timor-Leste) with more than 80% of Filipinos being Roman Catholic. With a growth rate that is one of the highest in Asia, its population is today estimated at 109 million (PSA, 2020). The urbanization rate is estimated at 47.40% (World Bank, 2020).

2. **Economic elements**

Inflation rate jumped from 4.9% in August 2021 to 6.3% in August 2022 due to a substantial increase in global commodities and energy prices, aggravated by the negative effects of natural disasters on domestic agricultural supply. With the return to solid economic growth, the inflation projection is maintained at 4.3% for 2023.

3. **Conflicts**

Two major internal armed conflicts are ongoing in the Philippines:

The nationwide Communist insurgency, mainly of the New People Army (NPA) and the Moro insurgency (mainly Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF). The NPA conflict is a “protracted people’s war” aimed at overthrowing the government and replacing it with a socialist-oriented “national-democratic” system.

Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF)) in the Muslim part of Mindanao. In contrast to this nationwide Communist conflict, Moro rebels seek control over only a portion of Mindanao, in the southern part of the Philippines and demand an independent Muslim state in Mindanao (Bangsamoro Republic). In addition to the MILF and the MNLF, the presence of other actors and drivers of conflict continue to perpetuate violence in Mindanao. These include the Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF), the Abu Sayyaf Group, the Maute group (affiliated to Jemaah Islamiyah), and the newly formed Ansar Khilafah Philippines.

In May 2017, conflict broke out between armed groups and the government of the Philippines in Marawi, displacing nearly 360,000 people at the height of the conflict.

1. **Exposure to Hazards**

The Philippines is one of the most disaster-prone countries in the world due to its geographical location and natural attributes. In the World Risk Report, the Philippines consistently ranked 3rd out of 171 countries for 7 years from 2011 until 2018 except for 2015 where the Philippines ranked 2nd as the country with the highest disaster risk. In the Global Climate Risk Index for 2021, the Philippines is ranked fourth in the list of ten countries most affected by extreme weather events from 2000-2019 and ranks the country at 17th for the 2019 climate risk index.



Summary of HI presence in the country

HI has been operating in the Philippines since 1985, implementing emergency and development actions aimed at improving protection, quality of life, and the promotion of rights of vulnerable individuals, their families, and communities in different locations throughout the country. HI is working from offices in Makati City, Bohol, and Cotabato City, and has operations in many other regions in collaboration with government, international, and local partners. In the last three decades, HI has been carrying out a range of projects in different thematic areas such as socio-economic inclusion, support to civil society organizations, access to rehabilitation, access to health and prevention, inclusive disaster risk reduction, and emergency response, integrating disability, age, gender, and other vulnerability factors in all its actions. HI Philippines was merged with Indonesia and Timor Leste to form a regional program. The operations Indonesia was closed in May. At present, Philippines is part of the Mekong program consisting of five countries, the Philippines, Lao PDR, Cambodia, Vietnam, and China.



Overview on ongoing projects

Sectors of services where HI conducts projects and focus on beneficiaries and operational partnerships

Main sectors of intervention and Project title	Main activities	Beneficiaries	Partner	Location	Dates of beginning and end of the project and donors
Disaster risk reduction (DRR)	<p>Community-based profiling through WGA and data collection on protection needs of most vulnerable groups before, during and after disaster;</p> <p>Conduct of conflict mapping, risk analysis and participatory and inclusive DRR planning;</p> <p>Training on disability, gender and age inclusion in DRR, inclusive DRR and humanitarian action,</p> <p>Access to services, and accessibility and universal design;</p> <p>Integration of protection and inclusion principles, approaches and interventions into disaster preparedness and response policies and plans of LGUs</p>	Vulnerable households, city and barangay DRRM committee members	Oxfam, People's Risk Reduction Network (PDRRN), IDEALS, Community Organizers Multiversity	<p>Cotabato City: 10 barangays- Tamontaka 1, Tamontaka 2, Tamontaka 3, Tamontaka 4, Tamontaka5, Rosario Heights 7, Rosario Heights 8, Poblacion 1, Poblacion 8, Poblacion 9</p> <p>Kidapawan City: 3 barangays- Indangan, Perez, Balabag</p>	01.07.21/ 31.12. 22 ECHO
Inclusive employment and livelihood	<p>Personalized support: life skills training, financial literacy training, technical skills training, job coaching; disability awareness training; Microenterprise development: business training, business planning, provision of seed capital, business forum;</p> <p>Inclusive employment: assessment on disability-inclusion, disability-sensitivity</p>	Youth with disabilities	Leonard Cheshire Disability Philippines Foundation, Inc. (LCDPFI)	Philippines (Quezon City, Valenzuela, other peri-urban), Indonesia (Jakarta, Bekasi District), Vietnam (note: ongoing discussion with FWD regarding Indonesia and Vietnam)	01.12.21 / 30.11.24 FWD Group



	training for companies, training on inclusive recruitment and talent acquisition, training on accommodation and accessibility, accessibility audits.				
Disaster risk reduction	Mapping of anticipatory action stakeholders; participation to national AA coordination meetings; carry out forecast scoping studies; KAP assessment on inclusion with the AA CoP; organize dissemination workshops on studies and assessments; organize orientation and consultation workshops; carry out vulnerability and capacity assessments; carry out simulation exercises; draft early action protocols and present to partners; develop IEC material and training modules to disseminate EAPs; provide readiness support through partners and staff training and stockpiling; develop beneficiary registry disaggregated by DGA; activation and documentation of AA actions; develop IEC materials on inclusive AA; conduct capacity building activities; lesson learning workshop; participation in AA events to disseminate learning; organize policy dialogues; peer to peer learning between HI countries	At-risk communities	N/A	Philippines: Albay and Maguindanao; (also in Haiti and Madagascar)	1.03.22 / 28.02.24 GFFO
Di -CCA	Develop IEC materials; enhance training materials; organize capacity building activities for persons with disabilities and their organizations; conduct coaching	At risk communities and	Bohol Federation of Persons with Disability	Talibon, Bohol	1.09.22 / 31.08.25 USAID via Gerry Roxas Foundation



	<p>sessions to develop business development plans and business continuity plans; provision of technical support and small grant for workplace modification/ accessibility; organize data collection activities using WGQ; organize OPD-led capacity building activities for households, communities; organize coaching sessions to enhance preparedness plans; set up OPD-led community savings and loan association; provision of microgrants for iCRAM interventions; set up OPD-led climate resource platform</p>	households, OPDs			
Health and prevention	<p>Provision of standard set of job aids; CDW/Ts training of trainers; roll out training to CDW/Ts; orientation of LGU stakeholders on the PEIRIDDDDEC system; LGU capacity assessment; orientation of parents and caregivers; linking with specialists; assessment of 3-4 year old children; referral to specialists and/or intervention; coordination meetings at region, province and municipality/city level; database management; documentation in various formats</p>	<p>3-4 year old children ; parents and caregivers ; child development workers/ teachers ; local social welfare and development officers and local health officers ; LGU stakeholders</p>	N/A	<p>Surigao del Norte Province; Surigao City, municipalities of Alegria, Bacuag, Claver, Gigaquit, Mainit, Malimono, Placer, San Francisco, Sison, Tagana-an</p>	<p>1.09.21 / 31.09.22 UNICEF</p>
Emergency	<p>Community consultations and NFI kit distribution; shelter repair materials distribution via order slip; cash for shelter</p>	<p>Vulnerable households and</p>	<p>Save the Children, Oxfam (lead), local</p>	<p>Bohol: municipalities of CP Garcia, Talibon, and Ubay</p>	<p>1.03.21 / 31.08.22 ECHO</p>



Emergency response to support those most affected by Typhoon Rai in 5 provinces in the Philippines	labor; build back better safer training; community awareness sessions on GBV, child protection; support referral and follow up of vulnerable individuals; train service providers and CBOs on protection; strengthen community-based protection mechanism; strengthen safe spaces for boys and girls; support specific needs of persons with disabilities; IHA training; establishment of multipurpose learning space; provision of teaching supplies and communication allowances to teachers; return to learning sessions; MHPSS sessions with DepEd personnel; provision of learning supplies, equipment and communication allowance to school children, EiE training	communities affected by typhoon ; school children ; persons with disabilities	partners IDEALS, COM		
Emergency Abra earthquake response	HI: cash for shelter distribution; WASH kits distribution Other partners: shelter kits distribution; awareness sessions on child protection and GBV; MHPSS sessions; distribution of life savings kits to vulnerable households; distribution of community clean up kits to affected municipalities	Displaced households staying in tents, makeshift shelters, and evacuation centers ; affected communities and municipalities	Plan International, Tearfund (lead), ADRA, Philrads	Abra province: municipalities of Bucay, La Paz, Tayum	7 Aug – 21 Sep 2022 Start Fund



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