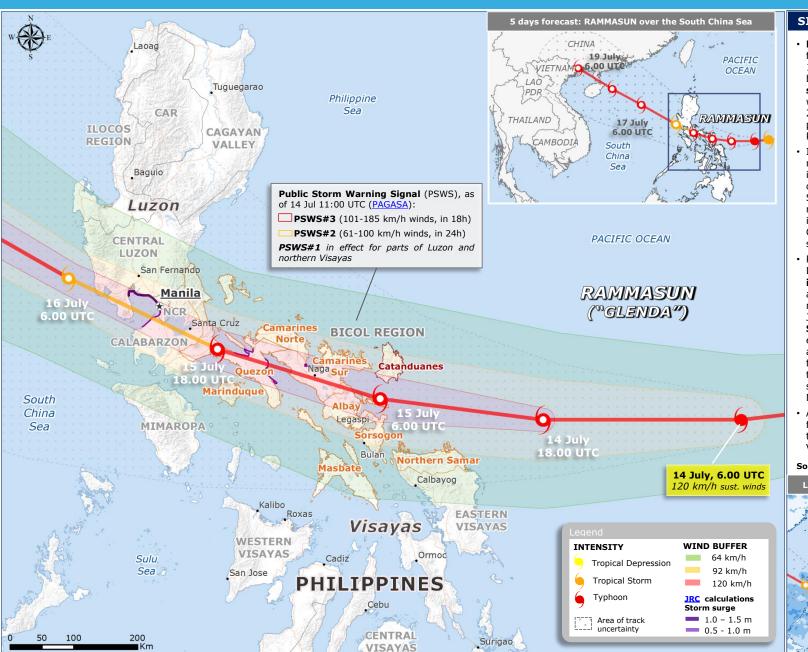
14 July 2014: Philippines - Tropical cyclone RAMMASUN





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SITUATION

- RAMMASUN ("GLENDA" in the Philippines), formed in the Pacific Ocean, near Guam, on 10 July and started moving west (see map below). On 14 July at 6.00 UTC, it had max. sust. winds of 120 km/h and its centre was located over the Philippine Sea, approx. 240 km east of Sorsogon and Albay provinces (Bicol Region, southern Luzon, Philippines).
- In the next 24 h, it is forecast to continue moving west, towards Bicol Region, slightly intensifying. It is expected to reach the coast of eastern Bicol Region (Catanduanes, Albay, Sorsogon, Camarines Norte and Sur) in the morning of 15 July (UTC) as a Typhoon; then it is forecast to move north-west, crossing Calabarzon and Central Luzon Regions, slightly weakening.
- RAMMASUN is expected to affect areas of Luzon and Visavas with moderate to intense rainfall, as well as strong winds and storm surge. Flashfloods and landslides may also occur in low-lying areas. As of 14 July morning (UTC, PAGASA), a Public Storm Warning Signal (PSWS) #3 was in effect for Catanduanes and a PSWS #2 for a number of provinces of Luzon, as well as for Northern Samar in Visayas (see PSWS in the map). A PSWS #1 is also in effect for several other provinces of Luzon, including Metro Manila, and Visayas.
- After crossing the Philippines, RAMMASUN is forecast to continue moving north-west over the South China Sea, towards China and Vietnam, strenghtening (see inset map).

Sources: GDACS, JTWC, JMA, PAGASA, NDRRMC, Media

