

TASK FORCE OIL SPILL

***STATUS OF MT PRINCESS EMPRESS
OIL SLICK/SHEEN/TAR IN TAYTAY,
PALWAN***

ACTION AND UPDATE

***“It is better to plan when it is not needed,
than not to have when it is necessary”***

National Contingency Planning Guidebook, 2018



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OVERVIEW

On February 28, 2023, an oil tanker registered under the name MT Princess Empress sank off the coast of Naujan, Oriental Mindoro, Philippines, causing a widespread oil spill into the Tablas Strait that has reached as far as the provinces of Antique and Palawan.



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SITUATION

- *Reported sightings of oil spill having the stretch of half kilometer to one (1) kilometer along the coast of Barangay Casian, Taytay, Palawan from Taytay MDRRMO.*
- *At around 10:00 o'clock in the morning the dispatched Barangay officials reported the oil spill to Barangay Captain Norbert Lim. Accordingly, the area covered by oil slick is quite large as it continues to reach other portions of nearby beaches and residents reported its foul odor. It was confirmed by the Coast Guard Sub-station (CGSS) Taytay who conducted on site verification at Sitio Amianan in Casian. On the same day, another oil spill sighting was reported at Icadambanauan Island in Biton.*



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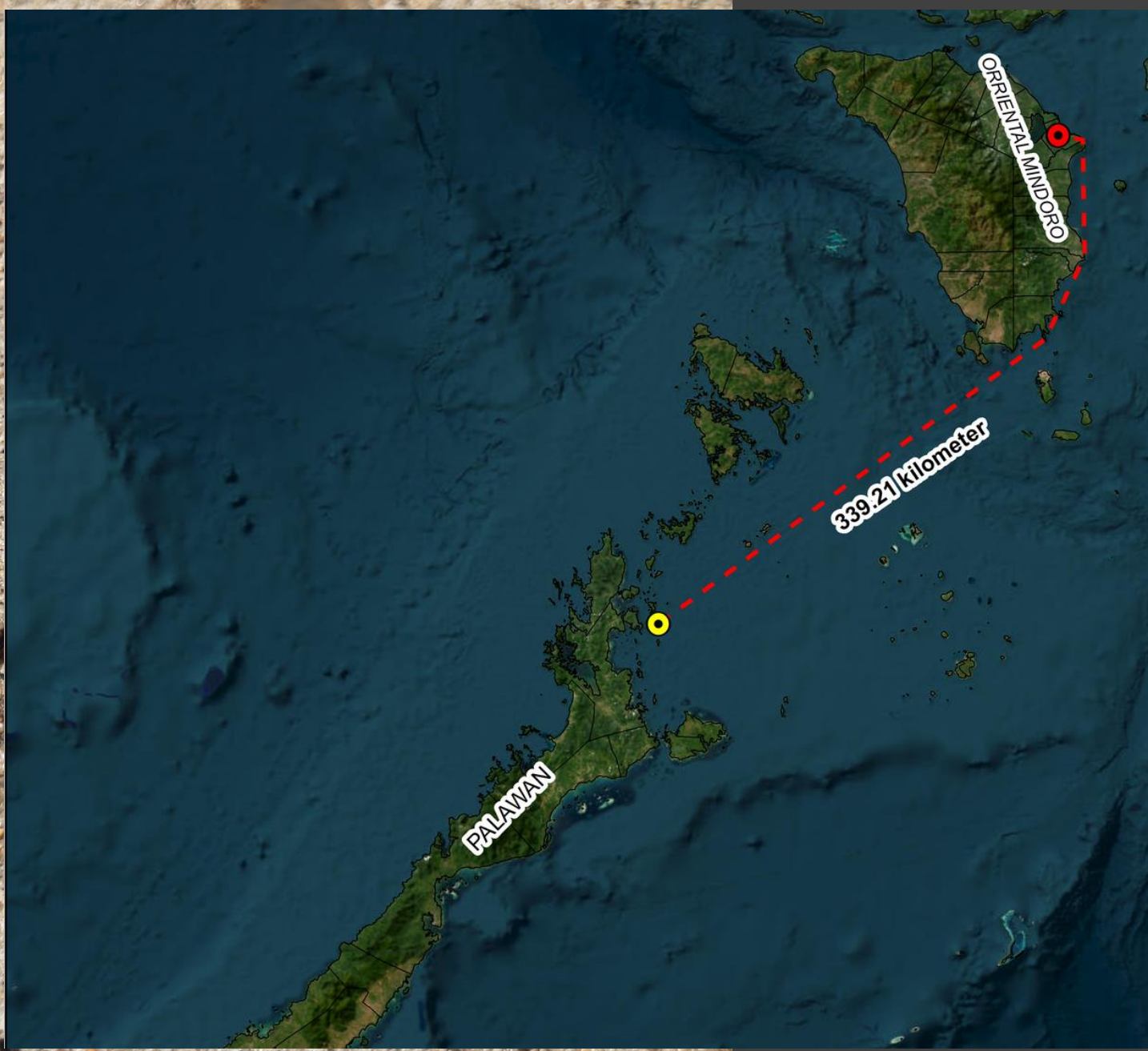
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339.21 kms. Distance of Taytay from Naujan, Oriental Mindoro



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The oil spill sighting in Casian, Taytay, Palawan and on site verification of Coast Guard Sub-sation (CGSS) Taytay in the area on March 10, 2023. Photos courtesy of CGSS Taytay.



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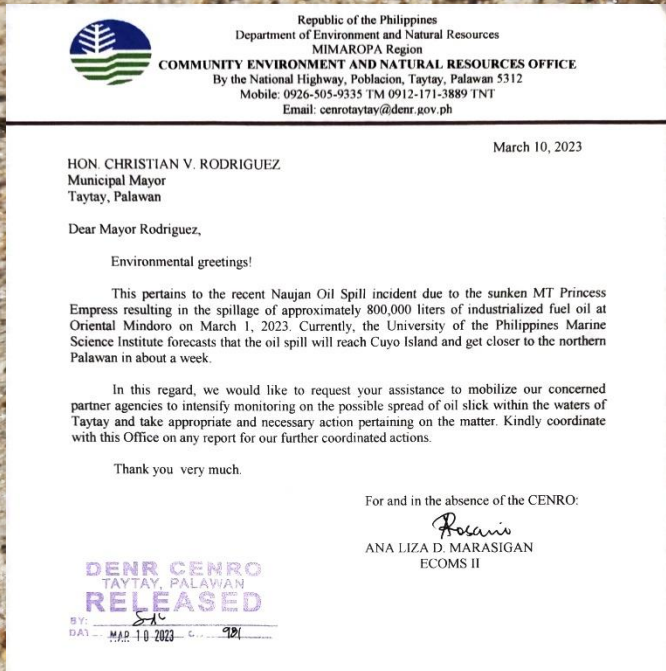
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The Office immediately coordinated the Office of the Mayor – Taytay to mobilize assistance to intensify monitoring on the possible spread of oil slick within the Taytay bay waters and take appropriate action pertaining on the matter.

Around 6:30 o'clock in the evening, PENRO Felizardo B. Cayatoc coordinated the Office to assess the extent and potential impacts of the oil spill from the sunken MT Princess Empress in Barangay Casian, Taytay, Palawan on March 11, 2023.



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No. of Personnel:

PENRO - 2

CENRO – 22

EMB – 3

PCG – 3

PNP – 8

MDRRMO – 4

Total - 42

PENRO Felizardo B. Cayatoc mobilize the personnel of DENR CENRO Taytay to lead the ocular inspection and coastal clean-up in Barangay Casian. The team divided into two groups.

- *The first group composed by the personnel from CENRO Taytay led by Development Management Officer IV Mariano P. Lilang Jr, Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office (MDRRMO) and Coastguard Sub-station (CGSS) Taytay to conduct coastline clean-up.*
- *The second group composed of PENRO Felizardo B. Cayatoc, CENRO Conrado Corpuz and personnel from Environment Management Bureau (EMB) MIMAROPA to get water sampling for assessment. They escorted by 401st B MC, RMFB.*



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At around 10:37 o'clock, the first group reached Barangay Casian. Punong Barangay Norbert Lim met the group and had brief conversation. Afterwards, the group headed to So. Amianan where the oil had spread



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MDRRMO provided safety gloves and safety boots to the team members.

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CENRO Taytay with CGSS Taytay, MDRRMO and barangay officials conducted joint coastline clean-up of oil slick at So. Amianan, Casian, Taytay, Palawan.



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Residents of Casian started to make improvised boom made of coconut husks.



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Closed up photos of oil mixed in bubbles in sand and afterwards developed into sticky like asphalts. Photos taken during the ocular inspection at Sitio Amianan, Casian, Taytay, Palawan



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At around 13:30 o'clock in the afternoon, the group of PENRO Cayatoc reached the area. They gathered water samples in Casian port, So. Amianan, and So. Amianan East waters including Tecas Reef, Maliao and Pularequen Pier.

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Meeting with PENRO Felizardo B. Cayatoc and Casian Punong Barangay Norbert V. Lim together with CENRO Conrado Corpuz, EMB MIMAROPA Chief – EMS Taytay, Nicaith Trisha B. Enrile together with SupEMS Mercedita B. Almorfe, EnMO Rio M. Reyes and representatives from Taytay MDRRMO and 401st B MC, RMFB.



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Agreements between DENR and BLGU Casian:

- *Installation of warning signage in coastline;*
- *Provisions of PPEs;*
- *Urgent assessment of damages on sea grasses and corals;*
- *Coordination with DOLE and DSWD re: TUPAD program and cash-for-work scheme for fisherfolks affected;*
- *Reminded the Barangay official to place collected oil slicks in drums for data collection of hazardous waste; and*
- *Call for volunteers to help in clean-up.*



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Aerial view of the coast of Sitio Amianan, Casian, Taytay, Palawan during the ocular inspection.



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Aerial video of the coast of Sitio Amianan, Casian, Taytay, Palawan during the ocular inspection.



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DATE CONDCUTED	SAMPLING AREA	RESULTS
MARCH 11, 2023	1. CASIAN PORT, CASIAN, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	2. SO. AMIANAN, CASIAN, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	3. SO. AMIANAN EAST WATERS, CASIAN, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	4. TECAS REEF, PAMANTOLON, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	5. SO. MALIAO, PAMANTOLON, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	6. CANIQUE, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	



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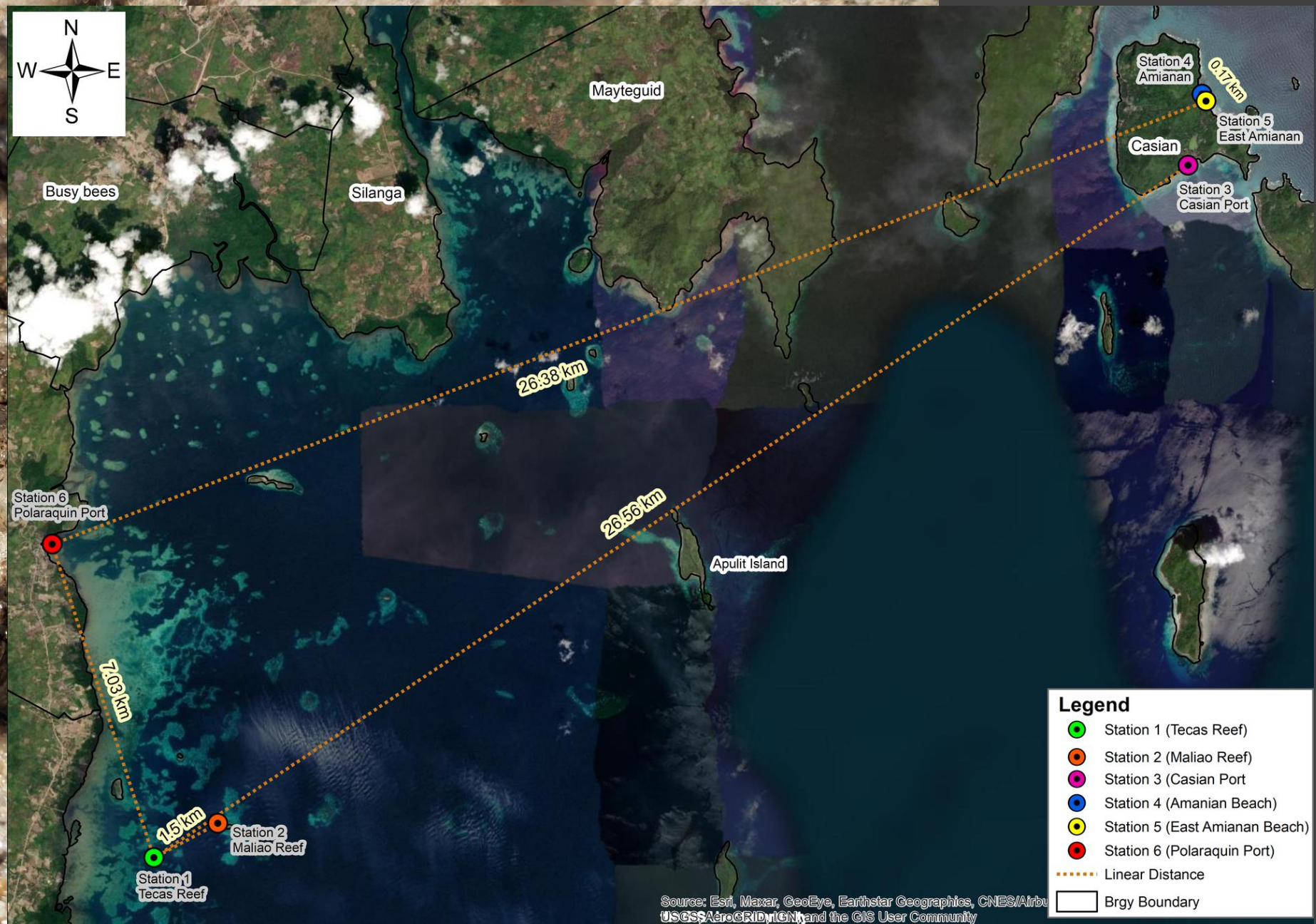
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Sites of water sampling



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The 3rd Marine Company, Marine Battalion Landing Team -3 led by 1LT Harry Osabel together with CAFGU Active Auxiliary personnel provided humanitarian assistance and disaster response (HADR) on oil spill incident at shoreline of Sitio Calumpang, Barangay Calawag, Palawan.



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ACTION TAKEN

Poblacion, Taytay, Palawan



Barangay officials, volunteers and residents started to make the improvised oil spill booms using coconut husks.



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Calawag, Taytay, Palawan



Barangay officials, volunteers and residents started to make the improvised oil spill booms using of old clothes and blanket.



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ACTION TAKEN

Pamantolon, Taytay, Palawan



Making of improvised spill boom made of coconut husks



Installation of spiller at Purok Maligaya, So. Maliao.



Coastal clean-up at Purok Maligaya, So. Maliao.



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MARCH 13, 2023	1. SO. BALED, BITON, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	2. SO. TAGPAO, BITON, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	3. DINAMAYAN ISLAND, BITON, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	4 SO. SADER, BANTULAN, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	5. SO. AMOGUES, CALAWAG, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	6. SO. CALUMPANG, CALAWAG, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	7. CALAWAG PORT, CALAWAG, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	



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3rd Marine Company, MBLT 3 together with Municipal Agriculturist Office of Tyatay conducted maritime security patrol at vicinity of Taytay bay to inspect and monitor any presence of oil spill in the said area.



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Creation of TAYTAY Task Force Oil Spill led by Mayor Christian V. Rodriguez and attended by DENR CENRO, PCG, PHILIPPINE MARINES, MDDRMO, MSWDO, MENRO, MAO & MTDMO.



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ACTION TAKEN



DENR CENRO and DENR-EMB MIMAROPA coordinated the MDRRMO with regards to the monitoring and deployment of personnel for daily water sampling at the affected coastal/island baranagys.



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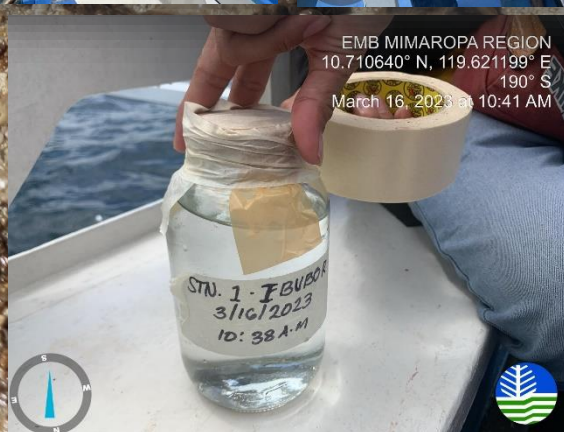
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DENR – EMB MIMAROPA WATER SAMPLING

DATE CONDUCUTED	SAMPLING AREA	RESULTS
MARCH 16, 2023	BARAS, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	POBLACION, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	



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ACTION TAKEN



DENR CENRO coordinated the PCG with regards to the monitoring of affected coastal/island barangays. The PCG has spill boom, absorbent pads and protective gears available in case of oil slick report.



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DENR CENRO personnel and EMB MIMAROPA embedded personnel joined in making of improvised spill boom in Barangay Poblacion, Taytay, Palawan.



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*More than 2000 meters standby
improvised spill booms
Poblacion, Taytay, Palawan.*



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ACTION TAKEN

Pamantolon, Taytay, Palawan

Coordination and Monitoring

No traces of oil slick was observed at Pamantolon pier and So. Mayat. Collected mixed waste with oil slick (est. 1/4 sack) at So. Maliao on March 13 was under the safeguarding of barangay.



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Canique, Taytay, Palawan

Coordination and Monitoring



Coordinated the Punong Barangay Ely Abes with regards to oil slick. No traces of slick was observed at So. Aborlan and proper. No report of affected seaweeds farmers yet. Has standby improvised spill boom made of coconut husks.



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	SO. AMOGUES, CALAWAG, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	SO. CALUMPANG, CALAWAG, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	PROPER BANTULAN, BANTULAN, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	
	SO. SADER, BANTULAN, TAYTAY, PALAWAN	



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