

Central Emergency Operations Center (CEOC) for the Project of Barrier Lake at Mataian Creek in Hualien

Press Release

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**Taking inventory of limited resources for better planning to maximize the capacity of disaster relief;
Intensifying environmental cleanup and disinfection in disaster-stricken areas to prevent the spread of epidemics.**

At 17:00 today (2025/09/30), the #23 Work Briefing was convened at the Central Emergency Operations Center (CEOC) and presided over by Deputy Commander SIM Hui-hong, Chief Secretary of the Minister of the Transportation and Communications (MOTC), who requested the Central Emergency Operations Center (CEOC) and the Forward Coordination Post (FCP) to continue monitoring the overflow of the barrier lake at Mataian Creek in Hualien and carrying out disaster relief and post-disaster recovery work in the area.

Prompted by Director WANG Yi-Wen of the Office of Disaster Management (ODM) of the Executive Yuan, the demand for disaster relief vehicles and machineries raised by the Forward Coordination Post (FCP) should be kept pace with the times and meet actual needs. For any legitimate concern of shortage therein, subsequently such resources would be requisitioned and dispatched in accordance with the *Disaster Prevention and Protection (DPP) Act*. In addition, the Ministry of Environment (MOE) was also requested to investigate the total volume of garbage and sludge produced in the overall disaster area and the current volume of garbage collection, as well as make plans to complete the first phase of garbage removal by the Mid-Autumn Festival.

Lastly, reminded by Deputy Commander SIM, relevant ministries and councils must continue paying attention to the public opinion on the social media. With respect to misinformation and disinformation, or information needed by the populaces and volunteers, when necessary, immediate response, clarification, and wide publicity must be made. The Central Emergency Operations Center (CEOC), the Forward Coordination Post (FCP), and other agencies should communicate with each other before releasing information to the public, to ensure consistency. In addition, currently, the disaster relief vehicles and heavy

machinery available for subsequent dispatch had almost stretched to the limit. The Forward Coordination Post (FCP) and the Hualien County Forward Command Post (FCP) were requested to fully review the utilization of existing support capacities and identify any idle resources, trying to better plan and utilize such effective resources, to maximize disaster relief effectiveness. In recent days, huge number of volunteers had flooded into the disaster area to assist with recovery work. Volunteers on-site were urged to drink water in a timely manner to avoid heat exhaustion or heat stroke, who were also reminded to strengthen personal hygiene and safety. So far, some media still reported or indicated that some volunteers or disaster victims were unable to receive supplies. The Forward Coordination Post (FCP), along with Hualien County Government, were requested to strengthen the distribution and management of supplies, and disseminate information through multiple channels for public awareness. As the Central Emergency Operations Center (CEOC) remained activated, colleagues on duty shifts from various ministries and councils were advised to care for their own health and take due rest.

For the latest typhoon updates and disaster situations, please visit the Facebook fan page of the National Fire Agency (NFA) of the Ministry of the Interior (MOI) at

www.facebook.com/NFA999/ and download e-APP "READINESS TW" for easy inquiry.

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