

These measures were launched after President Benigno Aquino III issued strict directives to concerned government agencies to step up national efforts toward greater and more intensive disaster risk reduction and management procedures in the wake of Typhoon “Sendong.”

“Disaster preparedness will entail a team effort, so that together we will be able to achieve goals and end-results mutually beneficial for all,” Montejo added.

For his part, Singson stressed the vital role of communication so the public will understand the usage and effectiveness of these devices, which are about ready to roll out. (*S&T Media Service*)