Resettlement in Tacloban: Vulnerability and Values Formation in post-Typhoon Reconstruction.

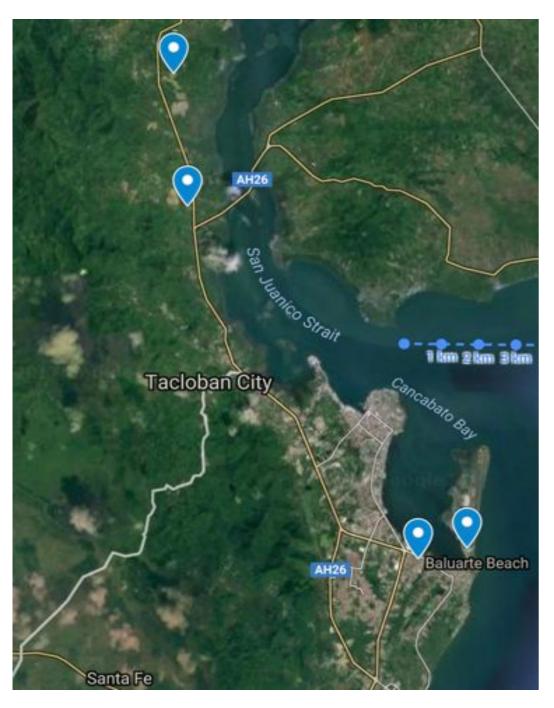




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Data gathered through semi-structured interviews with citizens of Tacloban, City Government Officials and NGOs.









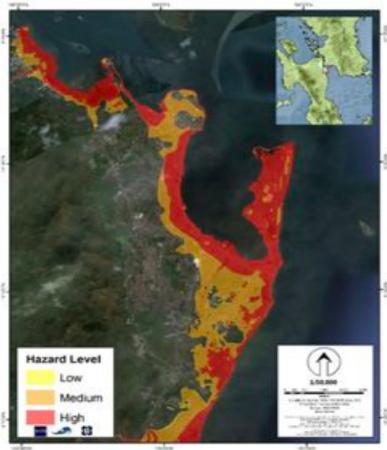
Breakdown of Interview of Sample by Gender and Place: Tacloban North and Tacloban City

| Area of Tacloban | Housing Type | Sites Visited | Interviews Conducted | No. of Intervie- wees | Males | F e - male |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|---------------|
| Tacloban North | Permanent | 3 | 7 | 14 | 4 | 10 |
| | No dwell zone. | 3 | 8 | 12 | 3 | 9 |
| Tacloban City | Housing outside of no dwell zone | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Totals | | 7 | 18 | 29 | 9 | 20 |

Source: Google Maps.

Vulnerability flows from 'ordinary life'.





- City authorities focussed on risks from natural hazard (e.g. hazard maps).
- Vulnerability also encompasses wider social and economic wellbeing.

Citizens of Tacloban engaged in a trade-off to manage their own vulnerability.



- Some citizens feel safer as a result of resettlement.
- Resettlement poses a risk to livelihoods.
- Citizens often spoke of balancing these two concerns.

Authorities managing resettlement had a one-sided perception of vulnerability.



- Officials downplayed the problem of livelihoods and income posed by resettlement.
- Drive to resettle citizens in Tacloban North before basic services (water, electricity) in place.
- Proposed resettlement of fishing community illustrated lack of understanding / consultation.

'Values formation' is prevalent as a way of building new communities in Tacloban North.



- Programme of behaviour change for citizens of new housing.
- Aspiration of formalising behaviour/ outlook as part of resettlement.
- Extended to multiple prohibitions / sometimes abstract norms in new housing settlements (e.g. "No Shirtlessness").

Citizens' vulnerability and 'values formation' are linked.



- Values formation work on financial literacy risks being undermined by threats to income and livelihood from resettlement.
- Values formation is an attempt to build new communities, part of building resilience – but replicates top-down approach of resettlement to new housing.

Conclusions

- Resettlement aims to reduce vulnerability it risks aggravating wider vulnerability through affecting income and livelihoods.
- Values formation aims to build new communities.
 Approach to physical resettlement is replicated in values formation which attempts formalisation in a top-down way.
- Research is a snapshot. More needed to trace long-term effect of resettlement and values formation work on citizens' vulnerability, and the success of new communities in Tacloban North.