

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) first established a permanent presence in Mindanao in 1986 by opening a sub-delegation in Davao City. In 2008, the ICRC opened an office in Cotabato City due to the humanitarian needs in this area. At present, the ICRC Cotabato office covers Maguindanao, Sarangani, Sultan Kudarat, North Cotabato, Cotabato City, General Santos City, Lanao del Sur and Lanao del Norte.

Assistance to conflict-affected communities

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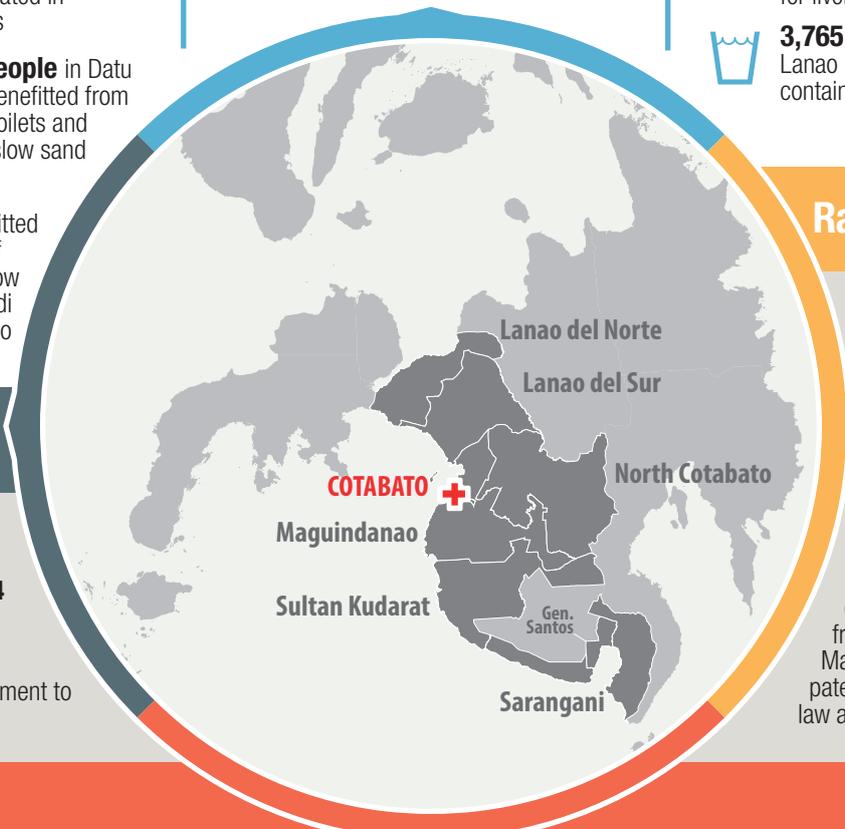
-  **12,560 displaced people** received food aid
-  **845 people** received cash assistance for livelihood restoration or shelter repair
-  **2,205 people** participated in cash-for-work programs
-  **22,500 displaced people** in Datu Salibo, Maguindanao, benefitted from the construction of 12 toilets and nine hand pumps with slow sand filter
-  **16,619 people** benefitted from the construction of 14 hand pumps with slow sand filters in Datu Saudi Ampatuan, Maguindanao

NORTH COTABATO

-  **31,195 people** received food aid
-  **27,700 people** received essential household items including mosquito nets, blankets, mats and/or towels

LANAO DEL NORTE & SUR

-  **11,870 displaced people** received food aid and essential household items including mosquito nets, blankets, mats and/or towels
-  **2,420 people** received cash assistance for livelihood restoration or shelter repair
-  **3,765 displaced people** from Butig, Lanao del Sur received safe water containers and aquatabs for purification



Detainee visits

ICRC staff visited 10 detention facilities in Central Mindanao, with a total population of **3,444 detainees**, to monitor their treatment and living conditions

We also provided medical treatment to people deprived of liberty

Raising IHL awareness

Around **1,081 police and military officers**, as well as a total of around **362 members** of non-state armed groups participated in discussions or workshops on international humanitarian law (IHL) and humanitarian principles in armed conflict

Over **130 Muslim scholars, dignitaries and representatives** from non-state armed groups in Marawi and Cotabato cities participated in seminars on IHL and Islamic law and jurisprudence

Health support



555 wounded patients benefitted from medical supplies in **11 hospitals** and **26 first aid posts** during clashes and situations of violence



Three public hospitals were provided medical supplies and equipment every three months for their emergency rooms



36 amputee victims of the conflict were provided with prosthesis and physical rehabilitation through Davao Jubilee Foundation



47 patients with conflict wounds were assisted with medical expenses not covered by Philhealth and transportation costs



312 people, including **258 health staff** from rural health units, received training on first aid and basic life support



2,500 families benefitted from essential medicines provided by four mobile health units in Maguindanao