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To:

The member churches of CCA in the Philippines

The National Council of Churches in the Philippines (NCCP) and its member churches

It is with great distress that we received the news about the 6.3 magnitude earthquake that struck the town of Bodega in Luzon, the northern Philippines yesterday.

On behalf of the Christian Conference of Asia (CCA), I express our deepest sympathy and sincere condolences over the loss of life, the displacement of families and the widespread damages to property and infrastructure in Luzon region.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the people of the Philippines, especially with the grieving families of the victims and all those affected by this calamity. We are praying for the consolation of all who grieve the loss of their loved ones, and the healing of the injured.

The CCA expresses solidarity with the people of the Philippines in this tragic situation. We are confident that the strength and resilience of the Filipino people will carry them through this critical time.

The CCA urges its member churches across Asia to support the affected people and communities with human and material resources so as to provide moral, social, psychological, and humanitarian aid.

May our Lord Jesus Christ bestow upon his suffering people in the Philippines relief and solace during this time of crisis. Let us be reminded of the divine assurance that "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains fall into the midst of the sea" (Psalm 46:1-2).

Yours along the journey,

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