Typhoon Yolanda
Governance –
Policy takeaways

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Where is Ningbo?

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- Shanghai is 2.5 hours drive south of UNNC
- 2nd tier city: 3.5 million in urban districts
- 7th busiest port in the world
- UNNC- 13th Year in Ningbo

- Pre-existing social, cultural and political structure versus new actors in a post disaster context

- Continuity and discontinuity of such structures and relations

- 3 years study of 20 barangays of comparable size across three adjacent coastal LGUs, Tacloban (8), Palo (6) and Tanauan (6)

- 100 interviews, 18 focus group discussions (FGDs) and 1600 surveys across our chosen barangays

Main questions- this workshop

- What are the important lessons from Yolanda?

- How can we engage with the different stakeholders for better rebuilding outcomes?

- How can government-led post disaster projects be people-centred, participatory, inclusive, transparent and accountable?

Main findings-

Capacity, capability and coordination

- Multiple level coordination
- Multiple actors/ stakeholders coordination
- Issues of transparency and equity
  - Aid distribution
  - Politics of Aid
  - Political dynasties versus humanitarian responses
- Questions of experienced leadership- knowledge and skills
- Monitoring and lessons learnt

- Inclusive rebuilding and development- how do we do that?
- Political Ecology of disasters- further marginalisation of under-privileged or under-represented groups through CCA/ CCM?
- Inclusive Human security- Freedom from fear and freedom from want

Any questions?