

## **Resilience in Action: CEBECO II's Post-Earthquake Restoration Efforts**

Following the series of earthquake and aftershocks in Visayas, the Cebu II Electric Cooperative, Inc. (CEBECO II) remains on top of the situation as it continues to conduct simultaneous power restoration activities in its entire franchise area, with direct coordination with other electric power industry participants within the area.

The National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP) has repaired the primary causes of the widespread power outage, restoring the grid to normal operational levels. CEBECO II, as the local distribution utility, is now concentrating its efforts to safely bring power back to the affected communities, especially on the hospitals, water stations, and other critical facilities.

As of 11:00 AM today, 02 October 2025, CEBECO II Technical Services Department Manager Engr. Dominador Bingham reported that barangays in Danao and Compostela have been fully re-energized, while several towns have reached significant barangay energization: Carmen (67%), Daanbantayan (61%), Sogod (67%), and Medellin (50%).

Most substations are now active, while those in Tuburan and Tabuelan shall now be energized. Restoration efforts are ongoing in the remaining municipalities with around 35,000 total connections.

CEBECO II is adopting a strategic, phased approach by prioritizing the sub-transmission system, followed by substations, and finally connection-level restoration. Mandatory inspections are being conducted, particularly on the household electrical system before energization, to ensure resident and lineworker safety and prevent further damage or accidents.

PHILRECA continues to monitor CEBECO II and its members in Visayas as they recover from the earthquake's devastation and subsequent aftershocks.

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