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Mayon Volcano Update
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The seismic network around Mayon Volcano (13.2576°N, 123.6856°E) recorded twelve (12) volcanic earthquakes during the past 24 hours. During cloud breaks from 6:01 to 9:00 AM and from 5:25 to 6:00 PM yesterday, moderate volume of white steam clouds was observed emitting at the summit crater and creeping downslope towards east-southeast. Crater glow was obscured during night times.

The above observations still indicate that Mayon Volcano is undergoing an episode of increased activity probably related to magma intrusion and post eruptive behavior of the volcano. Although no major eruption is indicated, steam and ash explosions may occur.

Alert Level 1 remains hoisted over Mayon Volcano. The public is reminded that the 7-km Extended Danger Zone (EDZ) at the southeastern flank of the volcano and the 6-km radius Permanent Danger Zone (PDZ) at other areas remain off-limits due to the continuing threat from sudden explosions and rockfalls from the upper slopes. Active river channels and those areas perennially identified as lahar-prone around the volcano should be avoided when there is heavy and prolonged rainfall.

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