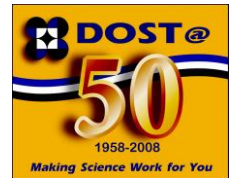


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MAYON VOLCANO UPDATE
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Mayon Volcano's (13.2576°N, 123.6856°E) seismic network detected four (4) volcanic earthquakes during the past 24 hours. Moderate emission of white steam clouds from the summit crater was observed creeping down slope towards west-northwest. Crater glow was not observed last night due to thick clouds that covered the volcano's summit.

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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