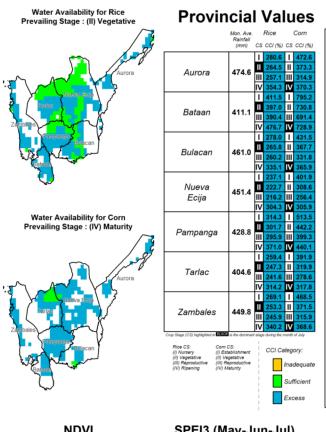
Region III (Central Luzon)



Regional Summary

The combined effects of enhanced southwest monsoon and tropical cyclones Butchoy and Carina, resulted in extremely high rainfall levels in the region during the month. The majority of rice crops are under stress from waterlogging during their vegetative stage, while corn crops may have been harvested early in their reproductive period. This situation could lead to poor quality yield.

On the other hand, the SPEI3 index suggests that rainfall is below average over Zambales, Tarlac, Bataan, the western and northern parts of Pampanga, some areas of Nueva Ecija, and the southern part of Bulacan, while rainfall is near normal over the rest of Nueva Ecija, Bulacan, and Pampanga. The Rx1day and Rx5days indicate that a notable rainfall event, with amounts ranging from 100 to 350 millimeters, affected certain areas in the region brought on by the combined effect of tropical cyclones and an enhanced southwest monsoon that led to the accumulation of excess rainfall.

