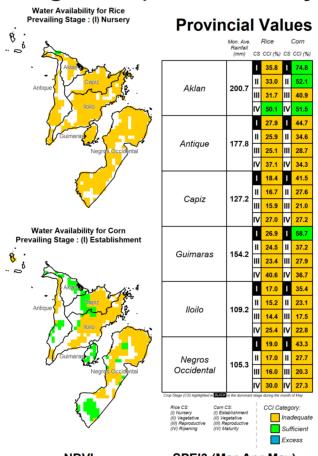
Region VI (Western Visayas)



Regional Summary

Inadequate water availability plagued nearly all the provinces in the region for both rice and corn crops in all cropping stages. The SPEI3 map illustrates this insufficiency and shows that during the past three months, the whole region has experienced a notable increase in dryness. This drier condition is attributed to El Niño, which limits the monthly rainfall, as seen in the RX1 day. However, during the latter week of the month, a maximum rainfall amount of about 300mm in some areas in Aklan was experienced due to the occurrence of TD AGHON, as seen in the RX5day map.

Furthermore, this persistent dry condition in the region may have resulted in damage to both rice and corn crops. As shown in the NDVI, crops may generally be under moisture stress, while some are still in good condition in Aklan, and in some parts of Capiz and Iloilo.

