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MANKAYAN, Benguet — Five lives were lost in landslides and a total of P2,336,760 in property was destroyed here at the height of typhoons Huaning and Isang according a report of mayor Agosto Santos to the provincial disaster council.

The landslide casualties are: Matinia Mecang, 43, Casongdan Lino, 55 from barrio Cabiten and Victor Antonio 32, Lazaro Lagoden, 24, Hilario Causan, 30 of barrio Taneg. They were swept away in mud and forest debris when heavy rains triggered a landslide at Bekkes.

Belated reports said their bodies were later recovered by responding neighbors.

Santos in his report said the property damages amounting to P2,336,760 was calculated from submitted losses on public and private building, farmcrops, roads and foot bridges, livestock and irrigation.

Meanwhile, the Halsema National Highway (Mountain Trail) was opened to vehicular traffic last Sunday. Road cuts and washouts at Pakpakitan were remedied by the Bureau of
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Public Highways, Lepanto Mines, Philex and Benguet Consolidated Inc. Mine management earlier responded to an appeal aired by governor Ben Palispis.

Bial Palaez also said a total 100 cavans of rice were airlifted to Kabayan because of the Ambuclao-Kabayan road closure. As of presstime reports were still being collated by the provincial disaster council.