

# Powerful quakes jolt 3 Mindanao provinces

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BUTUAN CITY – Three powerful earthquakes jolted Maguindanao, Davao Occidental, and Surigao del Norte provinces, Friday and Thursday, the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (Phivolcs) said.

In its bulletin, Phivolcs said a 5.9-magnitude tremor was registered at 2:02 a.m., with the epicenter plotted 14 kilometers (km) southeast of South Upi, Maguindanao province. The tremor had a depth of 527 km. At 4:06 a.m., a 4.7-magnitude earthquake was also recorded 123 km southeast of Jose Abad Santos, Davao Occidental province, with a depth of 86 km.

On Thursday, a magnitude-5.7 tremor was registered at 7:57 p.m. nine km southwest of Albor, Surigao del Norte. The earthquake had a depth of 22 km, Phivolcs said.