

# **The Activities of the AI Applications in Typhoon Committee**

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# Introduction to the Typhoon Committee

Typhoon Committee is a intergovernmental body established in 1968, under the auspices of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) and World Meteorological Organization (WMO);



Cambodia



China



DPRK



Hong Kong, China



Japan



Laos PDR,



Macao, China



Malaysia



ROK



Philippines



Singapore



Thailand



USA



Vietnam

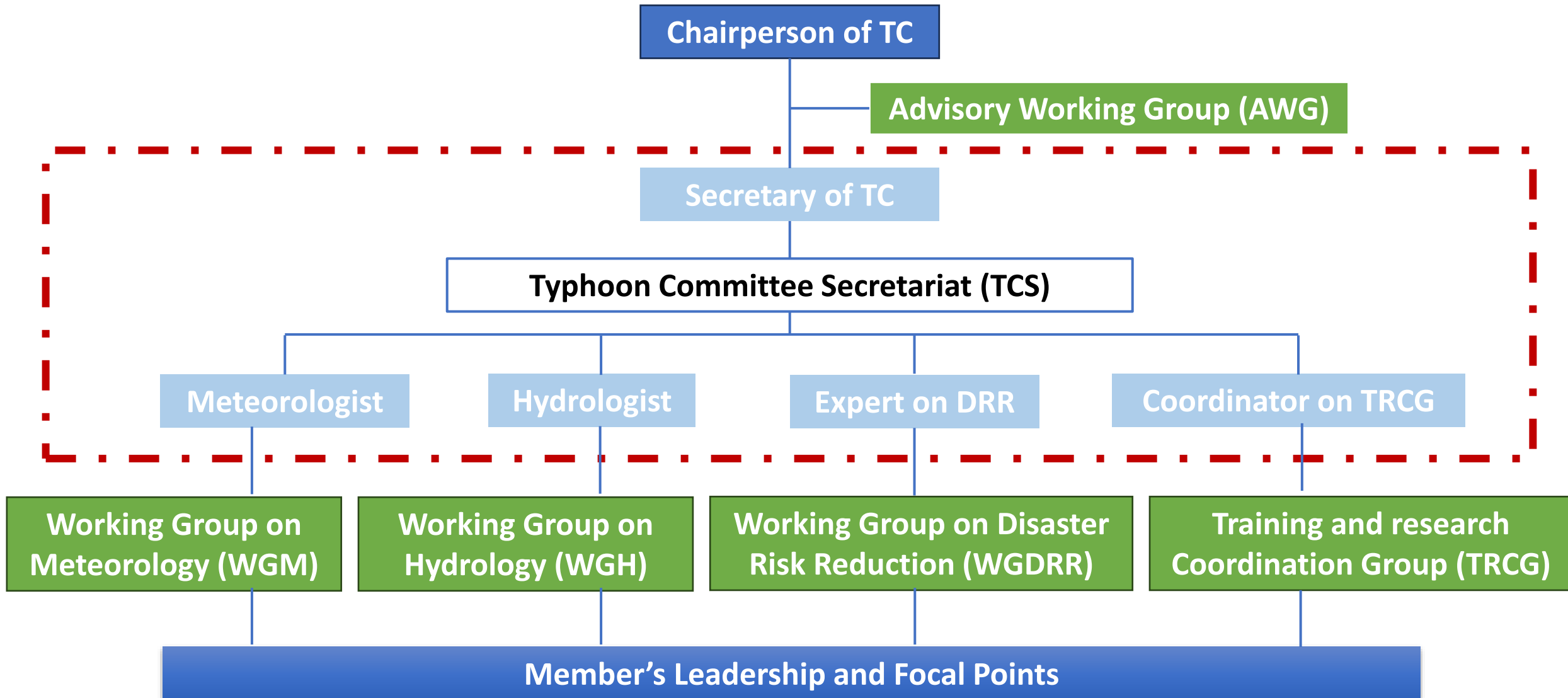
Currently evolved into a collaboration of 14 Members from Asia Pacific area

The Typhoon Committee has been repeatedly recognized as an outstanding regional body who has integrated the actions and plans of the meteorological, hydrological, and disaster risk reduction (DRR) components to produce meaningful results.

- **Vision:** The Typhoon Committee is the world's preeminent inter-governmental, regional organization for improving the quality of life of the Members' populations through integrated cooperation to mitigate impacts and risks of typhoon-related disaster risks and to enhance beneficial typhoon-related effects.
- **Mission:** To integrate and enhance regional (Meteorological, Hydrological, and Disaster Risk Reduction) activities of Members within international frameworks to reduce the loss of lives and minimize social, economic, and environmental impacts by typhoon-related disasters.



# Structure of Typhoon Committee





## • The Typhoon Committee's Activities

- Session (Annual)
- Integrated Workshop (Annual)
- Working Group Meetings (Annual)
- Roving Seminar (Annual)
- Workshops/Trainings/Seminars: (Irregular)



# Introduction to the Typhoon Committee



2<sup>nd</sup> Five Year Strategic Plan 2012-2016



3<sup>rd</sup> Five Year Strategic Plan 2017-2021



4<sup>th</sup> Five Year Strategic plan 2022 -2026

The Five-Year Strategic Plan is the guiding document for the work of the Typhoon Committee. We update the Strategic Plan every five years, and the latest plan covers the period from 2022 to 2026.



# Introduction to the Typhoon Committee

1. Enhance capacity to monitor the impacts of tropical cyclone related disasters and strengthen tropical cyclone related disaster risk reduction (DRR) activities in various sectors.
2. Enhance capacity in tropical cyclone forecast and disaster risk prediction using multi-hazard impact-based forecast warnings, understandable information designed in collaboration with users, and cutting –edge information technology, leveraged from the latest advances in big data analytics, artificial intelligence, machine learning, and social science to support early warning systems, decision making and disaster response.
3. Improve flood mitigation measures and integrated water resource management to reduce the impacts of flooding caused by tropical cyclones.
4. Strengthen capacity development activities in meteorology, hydrology, DRR and civil protection sections, to enhance nationally to locally coordinated mechanisms for tropical cyclone early warning information to reach the last mile and combine public awareness with the appropriate response to protect life and property from tropical cyclones.
5. Promote visibility and enhance Typhoon Committee's Regional and International collaboration mechanisms to build partnerships, enhance capacity development, share best practices, and encourage capacity development, share best practices, and encourage active participation of international organizations in the disaster risk reduction programmes.
6. Advance collaborative scientific research amongst operational tropical cyclone centers and research communities, particularly in relation to climate change, and include support for translating research outcomes to services by developing relevant experiments, research projects, conducting fields surveys, and publishing and promoting research findings.
7. Enhance the resilience of vulnerable communities to tropical cyclone impacts, especially communities along the coast and inland areas with high risk floods and flash floods, such as hillside or mountainous regions and low lying floodplains along rivers.

**Key Results Areas (KRAs) for TC Strategic Plan 2022-2026**



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To address the challenge of **insufficient multi-hazard early warning systems**, the United Nations is spearheading the Early Warnings for All (EW4All) initiative to ensure everyone on the planet is protected by early warning systems by the end of 2027. EW4All is **co-led by WMO and UNDRR**, with the support of other agencies.



## 4 Pillars of EWS

- At its 56th Session held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 2024, the Typhoon Committee decided to establish a project on **Promoting Technical Exchange of AI Applications in Tropical Cyclone Analysis and Forecasting**, with the aim of enhancing typhoon forecasting capabilities.
- A kick-start workshop for the Project was held at the Hong Kong Observatory, Hong Kong, China, on 21-22 May 2024.



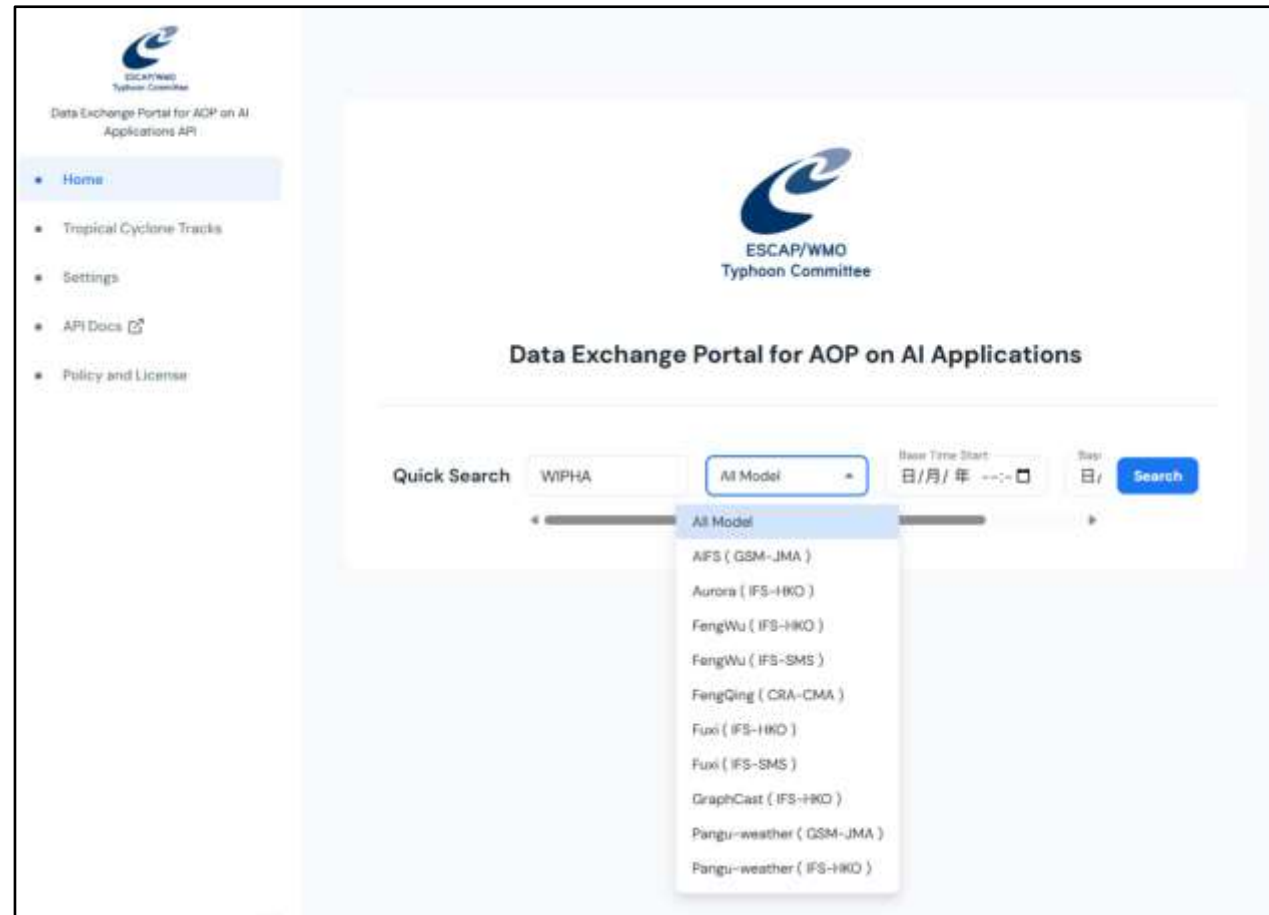
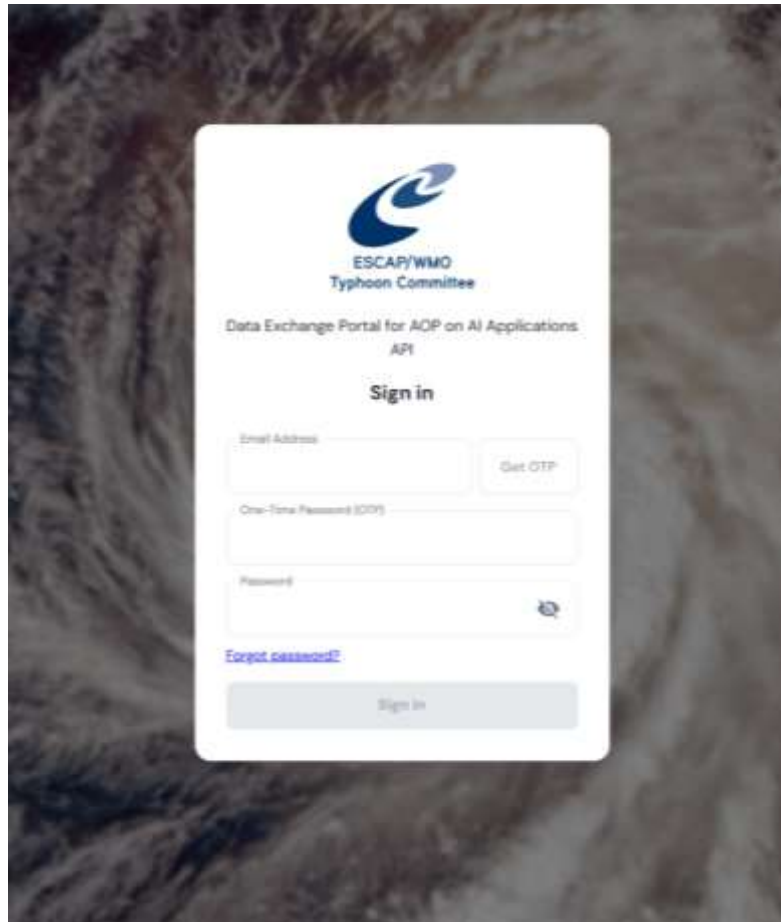


# The first face to face Meeting of the ET-AITC

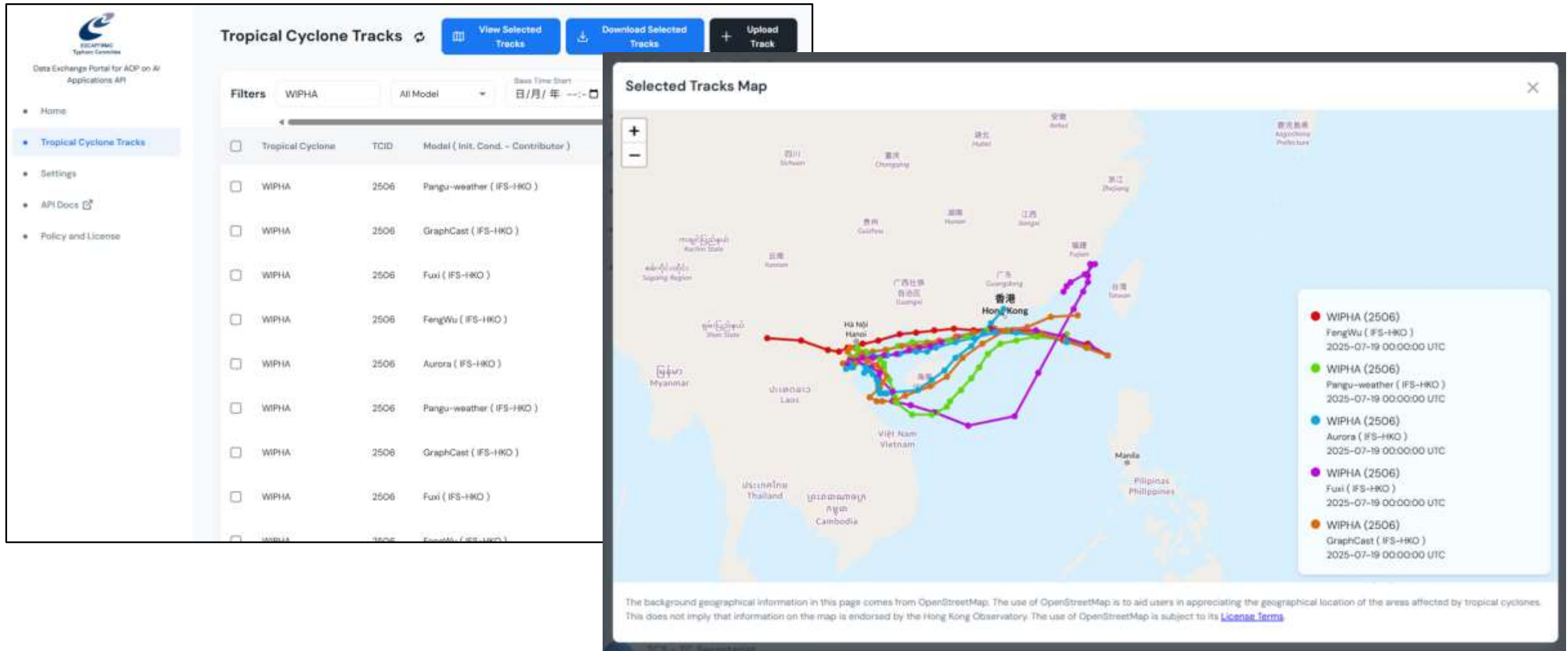
- Established the Expert Team on AI Applications in Tropical Cyclone Analysis and Forecasting (ET-AITC)
- ET-AITC is composed of 12 experts from 11 members. This expert group is Co-chaired by experts from Hong Kong, China and Japan.



The first face-to-face meeting of was held in Tokyo, Japan from June 24 to 26, 2025.



Established a platform for exchanging and sharing tropical cyclone track prediction data AI based.



TC Members can share this platform to obtain typhoon path forecasts made by other members using AI technology.



## **WGH AOP2: Improvement of Hydrological Data Quality Control System by Using AI technology**

The objectives of WGH AOP on **Improvement of Hydrological Data Quality Control System by Using AI Technology** was proposed as development of an advance hydrological data quality control system by using technology of big data and Artificial Intelligent (AI) so as to enhance TC Member's capacity on managing and monitoring hydrological data (Rainfall, Water Level, Discharge, tide, etc.) and reduce the uncertainty of input data for flood forecasting.

## **WGH AOP3: Improvement of Flood Forecasting modelling by Using AI technology**

The objectives of WGH AOP on **Improvement of Flood Forecasting modelling by Using AI technology** was proposed as development of an advance hydrological flood forecasting system by using technology of big data and Artificial Intelligent (AI) so as to enhance TC Member's capacity on flood forecasting and water-related early warning .

## Data Anomaly Detection

Accurate identification and effective correction of anomalies in hydrological data

## Data Interpolation

Using hydrological data compilation rule and big data algorithms to train AI models.

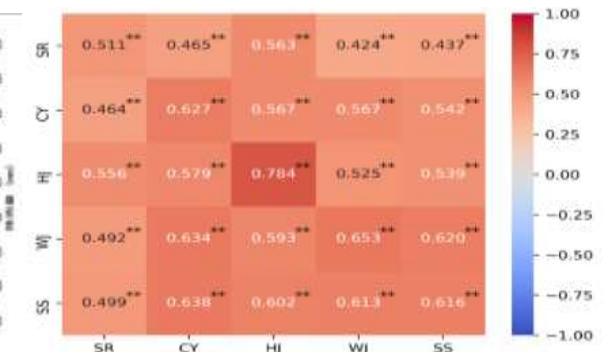
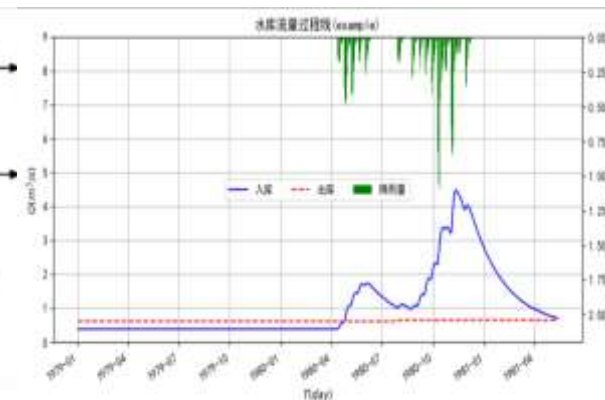
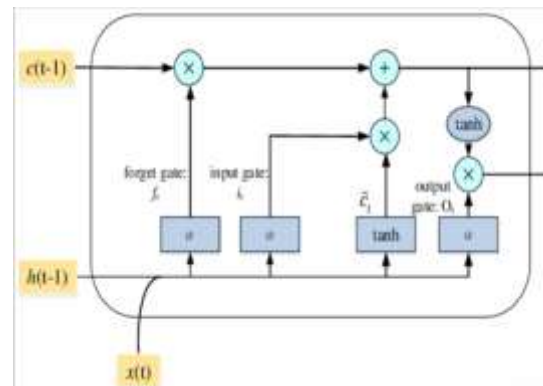
## Data Transformation

Rainfall data (discrete) is converted into a simulated flow series using a P~R model, and its rationality is verified based on the principle of water balance.

## Data Inference

Dynamic Time Warping (DTW) is used to analyze and evaluate the trends of hydrological data, taking into account data lag or lead effects.

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| 1        | 201905251620                 | 51.7        | 0                 |
| 1        | 201905251630                 | ***         | 0                 |
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| 1        | 201905251700                 | 51.7        | 0                 |
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## Expand Navigation



• Digital Cockpit



• Data Gatekeeping



• Real-Time Information ...



• Hydrological Informatio...



• Equipment Information ...



• Data Validation



• Data Reasoning



• Data Assessment



• Data Graph





# Typhoon Committee Roving Seminar 2024

- The Typhoon Committee Roving Seminar 2024 was successfully held in hybrid mode on 17 – 19 December 2024 in Bangkok, Thailand. It was organized by the Typhoon Committee and hosted by TMD. The theme of this Roving Seminar was on **Artificial Intelligence for Enhanced Tropical Cyclone Prediction and Emergency Response**





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# Conclusions and Future Plan for 2025+

- The AI application for tropical cyclone initiative will be a **Research-to-Operation** project in future:
  - ✓ Data exchange of tropical cyclone forecast tracks (both real-time and non-real-time) from several data-driven models.
  - ✓ Data or products provided by contributing Members.
  - ✓ Verification and inter-comparison.
- Promoting application of data-driven models in tropical cyclone forecasting under WIPPS Pilot Project.
- Facilitating the cross-sectoral integration of AI applications across WGM, WGH, and DRR to foster a unified and collaborative AI strategy within the Typhoon Committee.
- Enhancing the cooperation with the AI research and developing communities.
- Organize the second AI Application Workshop in 2026. (Shanghai, April 2026)



# ASEAN countries



**Brunei**



**Indonesia**



**Myanmar**



**Cambodia**



**Laos PDR**



**Singapore**



**Philippines**



**Malaysia**



**Thailand**



**Vietnam**

**TC members**

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# Introduction to the Typhoon Committee

**Table 1 The list of WGM POP/AOP/PPs in 2025**

| Item | Projects                                                                                  | Driver   | Since |
|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-------|
| POP1 | Improve the Algorithm of Typhoon Summer Prediction                                        | ROK      | 2021  |
| POP2 | Tropical Cyclone Research and Review                                                      | China    | 2013  |
| POP3 | Verification of Tropical Cyclone Operational Forecast                                     | China    | 2015  |
| AOP1 | Enhanced Use of Ensemble Forecast                                                         | Japan    | 2011  |
| AOP2 | Improve the Performances and Impacts of South China Sea Typhoon Model                     | China    | 2012  |
| AOP3 | Development of Regional Radar Network                                                     | Japan    | 2011  |
| AOP4 | Radar Nowcasting Based on RaINS/SWIRL                                                     | Malaysia | 2019  |
| AOP5 | Storm Surge Watch Scheme                                                                  | Japan    | 2012  |
| AOP6 | Contribution for the Experiment on Typhoon Intensity Change in Coastal Area (EXOTICCA-II) | China    | 2014  |



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**Table 2 The list of WGM POP/AOP/PPs in 2025**

| Item  | Projects                                                                                            | Driver           | Since |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------|
| AOP7  | Enhancing Utilization of Himawari 8/9 Products                                                      | Japan            | 2018  |
| AOP8  | Parallel Analysis of Satellite Data in Operational Tropical Cyclone Monitoring                      | China            | 2018  |
| AOP9  | Enhancement of Disaster Risk Reduction Against Heavy Rain in Collaboration of AOP7 of WGH           | Japan            | 2019  |
| AOP10 | GK2A Utilization for Tropical Cyclone                                                               | ROK              | 2021  |
| AOP11 | 4th Assessment Report on Impacts of Climate Change on Tropical Cyclones in Typhoon Committee Region | China            | 2023  |
| AOP12 | Tropical Cyclone Monitoring using Drifting Buoys                                                    | ROK              | 2023  |
| AOP13 | Promoting Technical Exchange of AI Applications in Tropical Cyclone Analysis and Forecasting        | Hong Kong, China | 2024  |
| PP1   | Utilization of FengYun Satellite for High-Frequency Observation of Tropical Cyclone                 | China            | 2025  |



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**Table 3 The list of WGH AOPs in 2025 and beyond**

| Item | Projects                                                                                                | Driver | Duration  |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| AOP1 | Knowledge Sharing on Storm Surge Inundation Mapping                                                     | USA    | 2020~2026 |
| AOP2 | Improvement of Hydrological Data Quality Control System by Using AI technology                          | ROK    | 2023~2027 |
| AOP3 | Improvement of Flood Forecasting modelling by Using AI technology                                       | ROK    | 2023~2027 |
| AOP4 | Review and enhancement on specifications for hydrological information and forecasting in TC Members     | China  | 2025~2027 |
| AOP5 | Application Study on New Generation of Integrated Micro-siphon Rain Gauge in TC Members                 | China  | 2025~2027 |
| AOP6 | Flood Risk Mapping with Ground/Satellite Observation Data                                               | Japan  | 2024~2027 |
| AOP7 | Flood resilience enhancement through Platform on Water Resilience and Disasters                         | Japan  | 2023~2027 |
| AOP8 | Training Course on Hydrological Monitoring and Flood Management for Developing Countries                | China  | 2023~2028 |
| AOP9 | Synergized Standard Operating Procedures for Coastal Multi-Hazard Early Warning System (SSOP)-Phase III | USA    | 2025~2027 |



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**Table 3 The list of DRR AOPs in 2025 and beyond**

| Item | Projects                                                          | Driver            | Duration  |
|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| AOP1 | Capacity Building/Knowledge Sharing in DRR                        | Members           | 2020~2026 |
| AOP2 | Installation of Early Warning System related to typhoon disasters | ROK               | 2023~2027 |
| AOP3 | WGDRR Annual Meeting                                              | ROK               | 2023~2027 |
| AOP4 | Benefit Evaluation of Typhoon Project                             | China             | 2018~2025 |
| AOP5 | Sharing Information related to DRR                                |                   | 2018~2025 |
| AOP6 | Making video related to DRR                                       | Hongkong<br>China | 2019~2026 |



# Membership of Typhoon Committee



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