









#### Myanmar Flash Flood Guidance Systems

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The Hydrologic Research Center is a public benefit nonprofit organization.

HRC's goal is to help bridge the gap between scientific research and applications for the solution of important societal problems that involve water.

### Global Flash Flood Guidance Program

- The implementation of Flash Flood Guidance systems globally is a program to provide a <u>tool for National Meteorological and</u> <u>Hydrologic Services</u> to develop flash flood alerts, watches and warnings.
- The program addresses the need to provide early warnings for flash floods in the development of <u>regional approaches to flash flood</u> issues.
- The program is a partnership between the Hydrologic Research Center, the World Meteorological Organization, the U.S. Agency for International Development/Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance, and the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

**Memorandum Of Understanding is in place** 

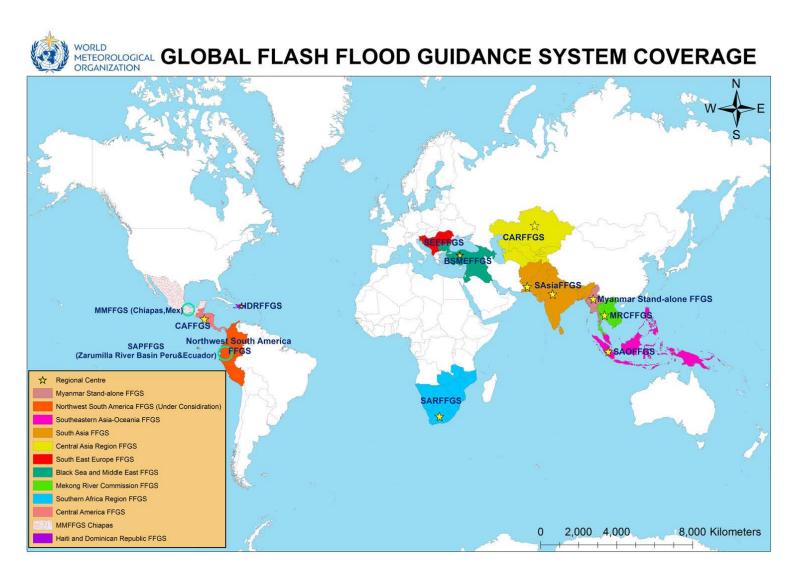








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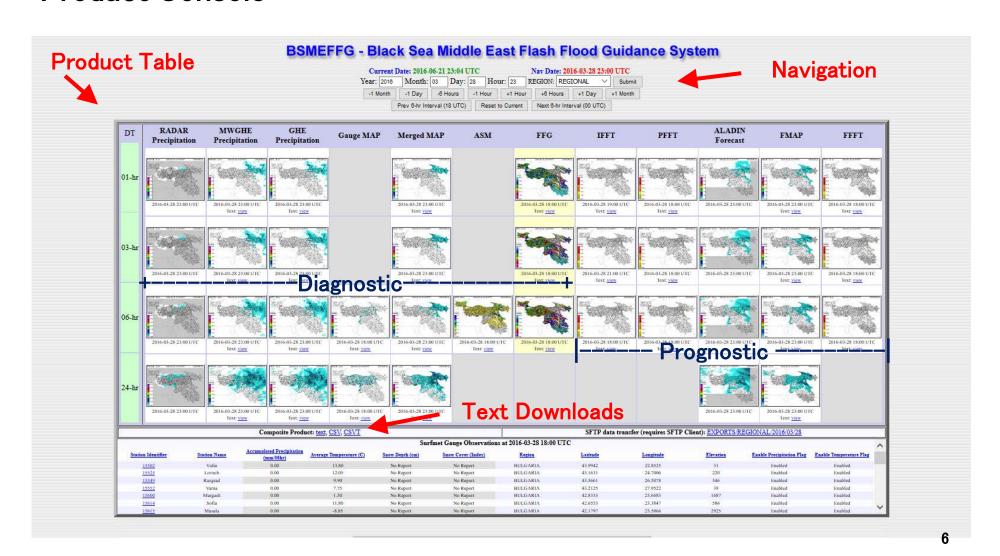


## The Role of the Hydrologic Research Center

- Developed the FFGS concept and system design
- Tailor the FFG systems for the specific of the region (data, geomorphology and hydrometeorology)
- Implement the systems at the selected regional center and provide technical support
- Train forecasters to use the FFGS and in order to produce prompt flash flood warnings.
- Maintain and enhance the FFG Systems

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#### **Product Console**



## U.S. National Weather Service's FFGS Role



# Operational datasets provided by NOAA/NWS to support FFG systems

Variable	Product	NOAA/NWS Office
Operational QPE	Global Hydro-Estimator [GHE]	Office of Satellite and Product Operations [OSPO]
Operational QPE	CMORPH	Climate Prediction Center [CPC]
Operational Snow Areal Extent	Interactive Multisensor Snow and Ice Mapping System [IMS]	National Ice Center [NIC]
Operational Boundary Conditions for WRF and Surface Air Temperature	Global Forecast System (GFS)	National Centers for Environmental Prediction [NCEP]
Historical Gauge Rainfall Data.  Data are used for the systems development and calibration		National Centers for Environnemental Information (NCEI)

## Training and Expertise

During Step-III training at HRC, trainees visit the NWS Forecast Office San Diego
 California



