Department of Science and Technology Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administrat**ion**

FIRST STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (SCM1) Southeastern Asia-Oceania Flash Flood Guidance (SAOFFG) Project

10-12 July 2017- Jakarta, Indonesia



PAGASA



1. Local capacity for the provision of flash flood early warnings

2. Availability of historical local hydrometeorological data

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• RAINFALL WARNING SYSTEM

-is an end to end rainfall warning decision support tool developed for PAGASA's operation in providing timely and accurate warnings to alert the concerned communities and decision-makers about the occurrence of heavy rainfall event caused by local convective and synoptic weather systems



Phase 1: THUNDERSTORM ADVISORY



RWS TOOLS, EQUIPMENT, COMPONENT AND WORKFLOW







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Thunderstorm Warning Levels:

WARNING LEVEL	MEANING	DISSEMINATION			
Information	Thunderstorm is LESS likely to develop within the next twelve (12) hours.	This will be disseminated thru Website, Twitter and Facebook			
Watch	Thunderstorm is MORE likely to develop within the next twelve (12) hours.	This will be disseminated thru Website, Twitter and Facebook			
Advisory	Thunderstorm threatens or expected to affect a specific area(s) within the next two (2) hours	This will be disseminated thru SMS, Website, Twitter and Facebook			



Model Output and Sounding Indices

Date: May 2017	Day:	2	Hour:	10 PM		Day:	3	Hour:	10 AM
Assigned Personnel:	Forecaster:					Forecaster:			
PARAMETERS	VALUES		ASSESM	ENT		VALUES		SSESN	IENT
A. Initial Numerical Model Output									
A-1 WAFS BH value of at least 80% at 950 or 850mb?			NO					NO	
RH value of at least 70% at 700mb?			NO					NO	
A-2 LEADS									
RH value of at least 80% at 950 or 850mb?	64	NO		83	YES		6		
A-2.1 LEADS									
RH value of at least 70% at 700mb?	81		YES			54		NO	
B. Sounding Indices									
B-1 SkewT-LogP Diagram Are the dew point & temperature lines close to each other from surface to upper level?			NO					NO	
B-1 Showalter Index	0.2		NO			-0.5		YES	;
IS BEIOW ZETO?									
Is below zero?	-4		YES			-3		YES	5
B-4 SWEAT Index (TSTM Potential) ≥170	180.4		YES	i		203.6		YES	;
B-5 K-Index (TSTM Probability) >26	36.6		YES			29.8		YES	;
B-6 Total Totals Index >40	44		YES			44.1		YES	6
B-7 CAPE Index >1000	2035		YES			1384		YES	;
B-8 PWAT	44.1		YES			38.8		NO	
C. Wind Profiler (Surface up to 700mb)									
C-1 Vertical Wind Profile Is there presence of turbulence or any perturbations in the wind flow?			NO					NO	
Number of field with "YES"	7	IS	SUE T	STM		7	IS	SUE 1	тятм
Number of field with entry	9		WAT	СН		9		WAT	сн

Thunderstorm Advisory

•Thunderstorm Adv 2 (1:30PM 3May17)

 Thunderstorm is affecting Rizal (SanMateo, Antipolo), Bulacan(Marilao, Meycauayan) and portion of Zambales & Batangas w/c may persist w/in 2hrs. Xpect thunderstorm ovr MetroManila, Cavite, Bataan, Pampanga & other areas of Rizal, Bulacan w/in d nxt 2hrs. Minwyl, lytmod rains affecting MetroManila(portions of QC & Marikina, Mandaluyong,Manila) w/c may persist for 2hrs.NCR PAGASA

Sample TSTM Advisory from PAGASA SMS

1:45 PM

TAGAYTAY Radar



Flashflood in Quezon City



The heavy downpour has submerged within minutes several low-lying areas in Metro Manila



GULF NEWS 😹

Heavy rain started to fall at round 3.30pm on Monday leaving roads in Metro Manila's biggest suburb, Quezon City, as well as the city of Manila, submerged in at least 30 centimetres to a metre deep of water.

Development Authority (MMDA) the floodwaters had subsided by 4.30pm



Phase 2: HEAVY RAINFALL (HR-WS)





RAINFALL ADVISORIES, CLASSIFICATION AND MEASUREMENT						
COLOR-CODED RAINFALL AD VISORIES AND CLASSIFICATION	RAINMEASUREMENT		FLOOD POSSIBILITY	RESPONSE		
	MORE THAN 30mm RAIN observed in 1 hour and expected to continue in the next 3 hours.	=8 gallonsper square meter/hour	Serious Flooding expected	EVACUATION		
ORANGE	<u>15-30mm RAIN</u> observed in 1 hour and expected to continue in the next 3 hours.	= 4 to 8 gallons per square meter/hour	Flooding is threatening	ALERT for possible evacuation		
	7.5-15mm RAIN observed in 1 hour and expected to continue in the next 3 hours.	= 2 gallonsper square meter/hour	Flooding is possible	MONITOR		
MODERATE	2.5-75mm RAIN observed in 1 hour and expected to continue in the next 3 hours.	= 2.5 liters per square meter/hour to 7.5 liters per square meter/hour	(Flooding still possible			
LIGHT	LESS THAN 2.5mm RAIN observed in 1 hour and expected to continue in the next 3 hours	= 2.5 liters per square meter/hour	in certain areas)			



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Guidelines on issuance:

- The initial warning can be issued anytime of the day or when need arises.
- The next warning will be issued after 3 hours
- The updates will be issued as frequent as possible
 - Updates are defined as the amount of rainfall observed in the areas under warn.



Extreme flood events in the PH

Impacts of flooding due to passage of TS Ondoy (Sep 26, 2009)



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For any early warning system to succeed, several components are necessary:

- Technology to detect and monitor the hazard;
- Communication systems to alert the public;
- Local leaders trained to make the right decisions;
- A public that is educated to react appropriately to warnings; and
- **Response protocols** such as evacuation plans prepared
- and rehearsed well in advance of the threat.

All these elements must work well, both individually and in harmony.

Failure in any one of these elements can mean failure of the whole early warning system.

3. Availability of historical local hydrometeorological data





Pasig Marikina River FFWS Monitoring Equipment 1/2



Pasig Marikina River FFWS Monitoring Equipment 2/2

STATUS OF WATERLEVEL of PMRB as of 5:40 AM September 19, 2014



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Available historical local hydrometeorological data 2

Land Cover Map from RAPID NRA



Available Land Cover Map for the entire Philippines





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Available mesoscale NWP Model (WRF- 4km X 4 km and 12km X 12 km) \Box



X 25 km)





Available composite radar data (14 Radars)









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