

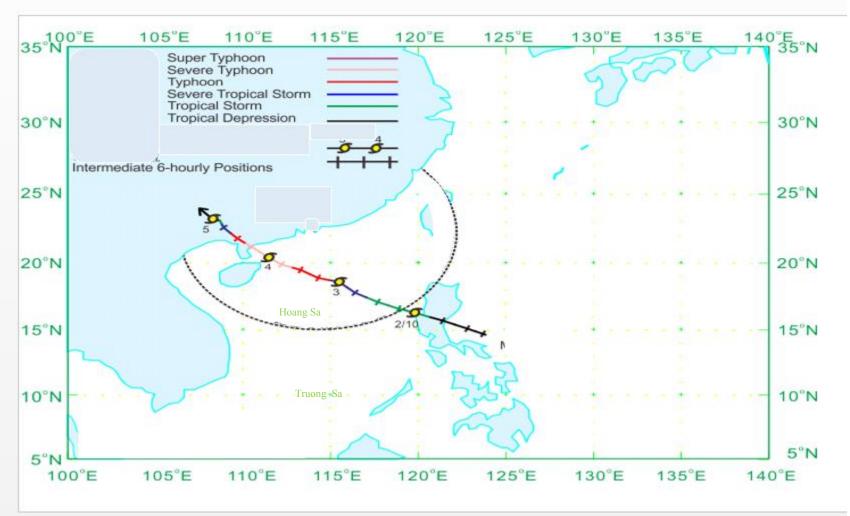
## **ANALYZE AND ASSESS THE** RAPID CHANGE IN THE INTENSITY **OF HURRICANE MUJIGAE IN 2015**

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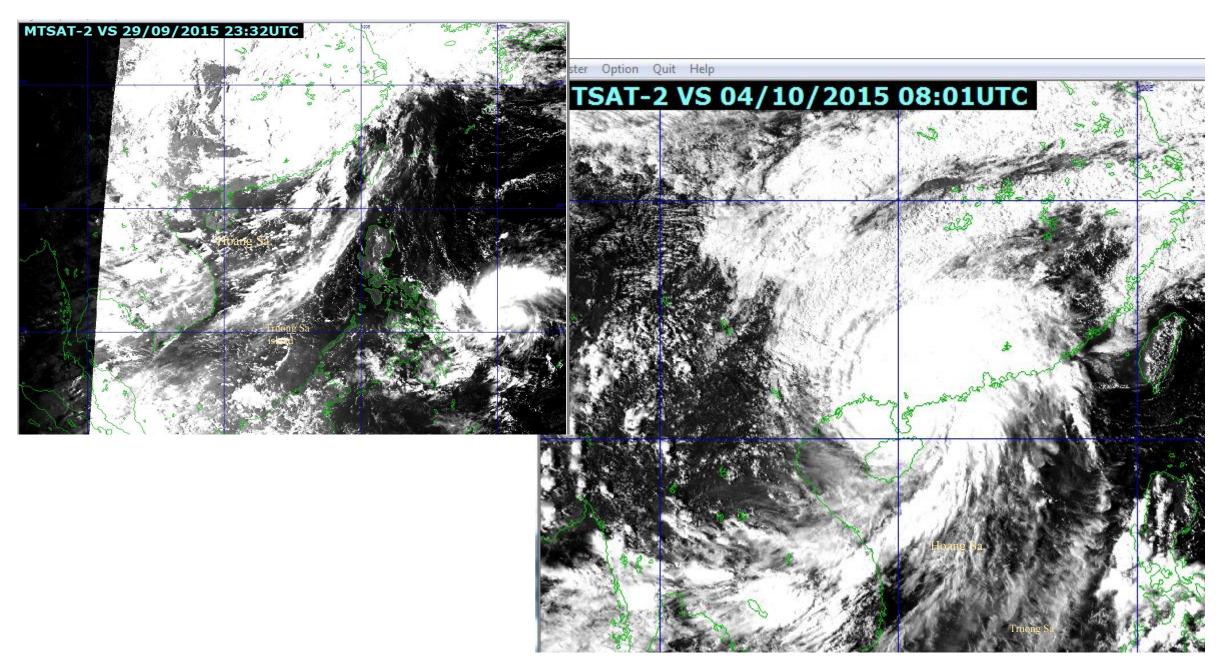
## CONTENT



### PART 1: Mujigae formed; developed and made landfall



- From September 30, to October 5, 2015
- Mujigae formed as a tropical depression over the sea areas east of the Philippines in the afternoon of 1 October
- Tracked westnorthwestwards in the direction of Luzon



- Mujigae entered the Bien Dong Sea October 2, and intensified into a tropical storm developed into a severe typhoon in the small hours of 4 October.

- Reaching its peak intensity before noon with an estimated sustained wind of 175 km/h near its centre

- It finally degenerated into an area of low pressure in the afternoon of 5 October over Guangxi

### references

• Rapid intensification (RI) was defined as the deepening rate of greater than 41 hpa/day in the central sea level pressure (SLP) – Holliday and ThompSon 1979)

• Typically defined as an increase of about 15m/s in the maximum sustained surface wind speed in a 24h period- Kaplan and DeMaria 2003

• As an increase of maximum sustained winds of 30kt in 24h, with a minimum 5 kt increase in the first 6h and a 10kt increase in the fist 12h of the RI period- Wang and Zhou 2008

• Intensification proceeds most rapidly when SST is between 27°C and 30°C but slows down as SST increase above 30°C - Chan 2001

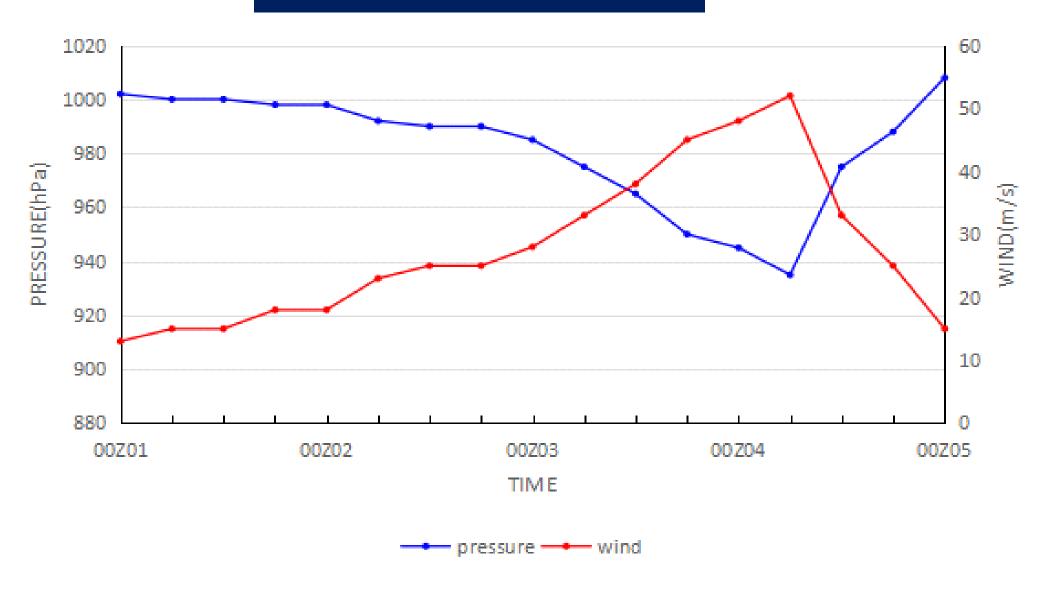
• Upwelling and vertical mixing of the cool underlying ocean by the TC vortex can produce a negative feedback between the atmosphere an ocean- Sutyrin and Khain 1979 - Bender and Ginis 2000

## TC intensity change dependent on:

- •Sea level pressure (SLP)
- •SST
- Low vertical shear
- •Warm core
- water vapor flux

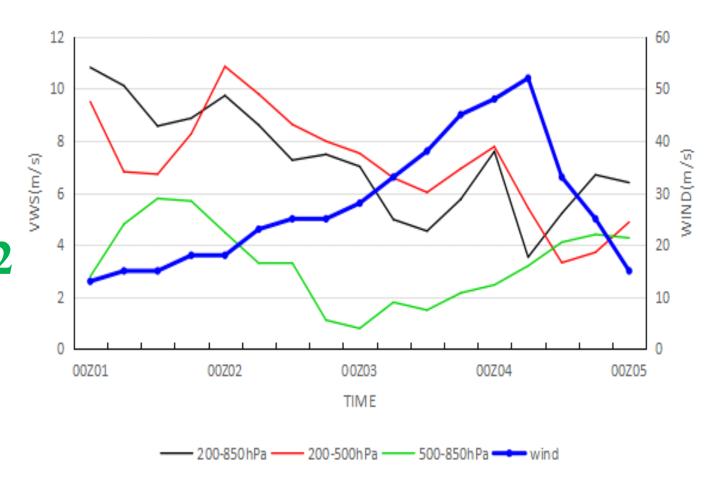
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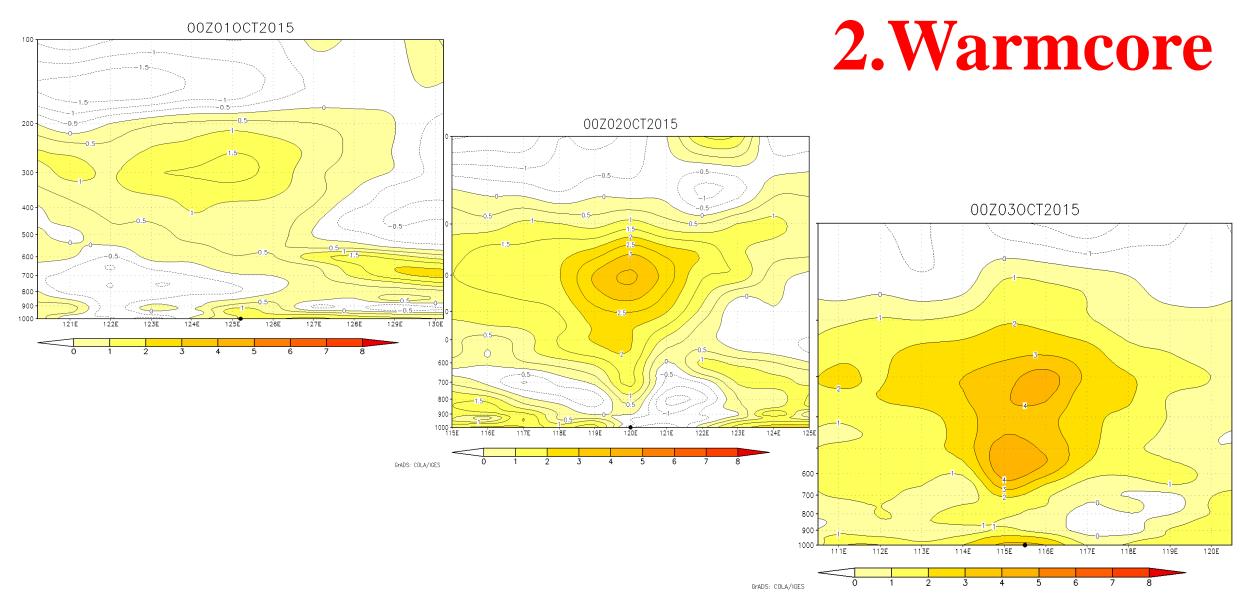
### **Presure and Wind**

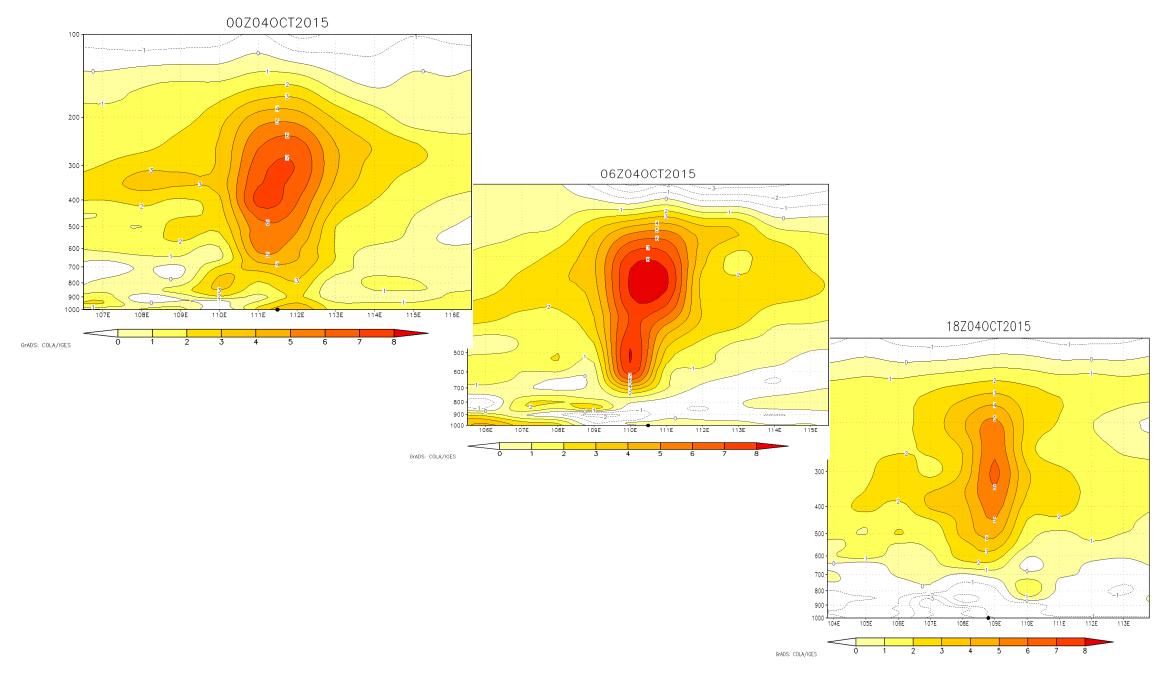


# PART 2: FAVORABLE CONDITIONS FOR RAPID INTENSIFICATION OF A TYPHOON

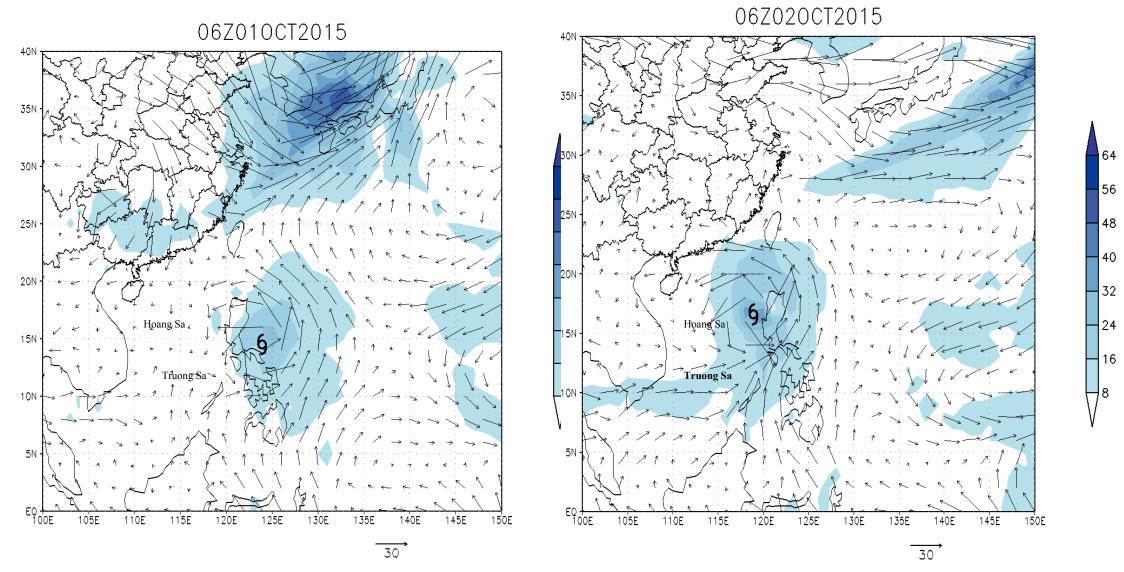
- 1. Vertical wind shear
- 200-850hPa:
- <10m/s
- From 18:00 UTC 2 Oct to 06:00 UTC 4 Oct it decreased 4.5m/s



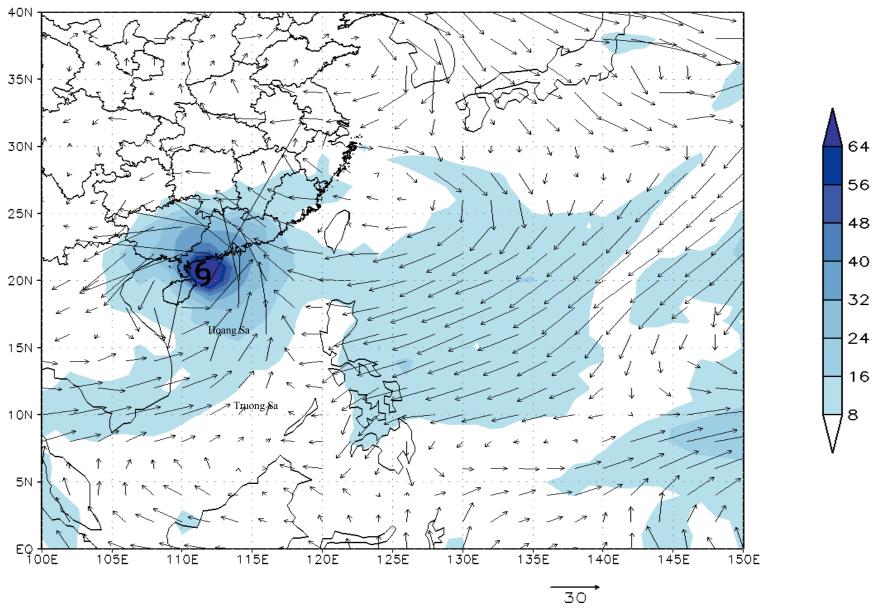




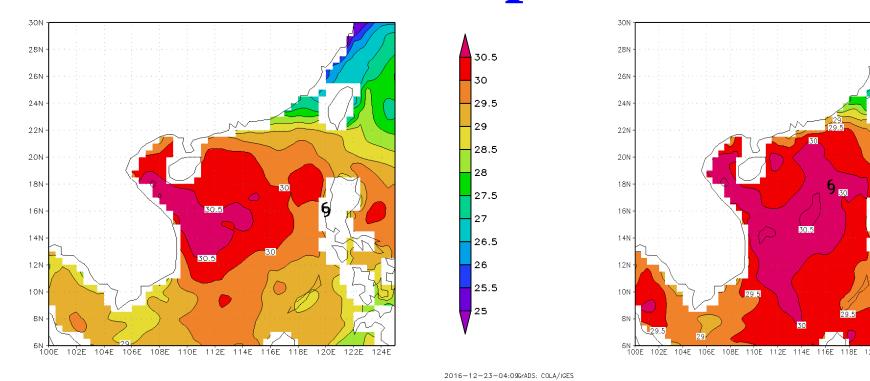
### 3. The water vapor flux of 850hPa



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## • Sea surface temperature



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03 Oct 2015

### **Part 3: Conclusion**

- -Typhoon Mujigae was strong. It **experience 4** categories before making landfall
- Mujigae had processes for the rapid intensification as a period from 1800 UTC 02 Oct to 0600 UTC 04 Oct, the maximum 10m wind speed increased by 27 m/s and the central sea level pressure dropped by 55 hPa
- It accurred decreasing environmental vertical shear at 200-850hPa; Vertical wind shear magnitude decreased sharply from 7 m/s to 4.5m/s

- While typhoon was strongest, the water vapor flux of 850hPa increased more and more; Value of warm core was 8
- Favorable ocean condition for RI of a TC such as High sea suface temperature, as value was above 29°C, even 31.5°C
- The role of the warm core in Mujigae intensification has been indentified by 6-8°C

