**UNESCAP/WMO Typhoon Committee**

**Fiftieth Session**

**28 February to 03 March 2018**

**Hanoi, Vietnam**

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**ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

1. **Opening of the Session**

The Fiftieth Session of the Typhoon Committee will be held in Hanoi, Viet Nam from 28 February to 03 March 2018, at the kind invitation of National Hydro-Meteorological Service (HMS), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE) of Viet Nam. The opening ceremony will take place at 9:00 on 28 February 2018. The detailed programme for the opening of the session will be made available upon finalization

1. **Report on Credential Committee**

The head of the Credential Committee will report on the results of the review of Credential Letters from the Delegates of Members. The Committee is invited to review the report.

1. **Election of Officers**

The Committee shall elect among its representatives a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for the Fiftieth session. Rule 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Typhoon Committee states: “*The Committee shall, at each Session, elect from its representatives a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson, who shall hold office until their successors is elected. They shall be eligible for re-election.* The Committee shall also elect the Chairperson of the Drafting Committee.

1. **High Level Session**

A “High Level Session” is set to celebrate the 50th Years of the Typhoon Committee on the first day of the Session (28 February 2018). In this Session, Permanent Representative with WMO of each Member, or his/her designate, or other senior officials are invited to give a welcome remark for the 50th Session and concisely present their country milestones as well as sharing history with the past key persons of the Typhoon Committee.

1. **Adoption of the Agenda**

The provisional agenda (TCS/TC.50/L.1) has been prepared by the Typhoon Committee Secretariat (TCS) in close consultation with ESCAP and WMO and TC Chairperson. Representatives of participating Governments may propose additions or changes to the agenda if they so desire.

1. **Technical presentations**

**6.1 Summary of the 2017 typhoon season**

The summary of the 2017 typhoon season will be delivered by the Head of the Regional Specialized Meteorological Center (RSMC) Tokyo.

**6.2 Cross cutting projects.**

A summary of the cross cutting projects will be delivered

1. **Report on TC’s Key Activities and Overview Summary of Members’ Reports**

The Chairman of the last Session of TC will present a Report on TC’s Key Activities and main events in the region.

Overview summary of the Members’ reports will be presented by AWG based on the Members’ Report submitted in the 12th Integrated Workshop held in Jeju, Republic of Korea. The Committee is invited to review the summary.

1. **Review of the Activities of RSMC Tokyo and Amendments of TOM**

**8.1 Review of the activities of RSMC Tokyo 2017**

The Head of the Regional Specialized Meteorological Center Tokyo will present the respective activities of the RSMC. The Committee is invited to comment.

**8.3 Tropical Cyclone Forecast Competency in the Typhoon Committee Region**

The Head of the Regional Specialized Meteorological Center Tokyo will present the respective Tropical Cyclone Forecast Competency in the Typhoon Committee Region. The Committee is invited to comment.

**8.2 Typhoon Committee Operational Manual (TOM)**

The Committee will examine the “Amendments to the Typhoon Operational Manual” (TOM) to be provided by the Rapporteur.

1. **Reports of TC Working Groups and TRCG**

Based on the outcome of the 12th IWS and subsequent discussions among the members of each Working Group, the Chairs of WGM, WGH, WGDRR and TRCG will present their respective reports. The Committee is invited to review and discuss the reports with the focus on the following aspects:

* Activities, top priority projects and the relevant findings and recommendations of the 12thIntegrated Workshop.
* How to enhance the interaction among the three working groups by promoting crosscutting projects.?

1. **Reports of TCS and AWG**

The TC Secretary and the Chair of the AWG will present their respective reports of activities in 2017. The Committee is invited to review and discuss the reports.

1. **Strategic Plan 2017-2021 updates**

The Committee is invited to update and continue to set priorities on the Strategic Plan 2017-2021.

1. **Publications**

The Committee is invited to take note of the publications, which were produced by TC during 2017. Members may wish to make comments and suggestions regarding the publications for 2017 and beyond.

1. **Programme for 2018 and beyond**

**13.1** **Replacement for Typhoon Names**

The Committee is invited to approve the new names of the tropical cyclones as replacement for the names removed from the list. Members may propose to retire names of tropical cyclones from the list due to catastrophic impacts.

Members may propose to retire the name of tropical cyclone from the list due to the catastrophic impact on the Members.

1. **Coordination with other Activities of the WMO Tropical Cyclone Programme**

Developments under the WMO Tropical Cyclone Programme (TCP) will be reported to the Committee under this heading.

1. **Support Required for the Committee Programme**

**15.1 Technical Cooperation**

The session will review the resources currently available to support the Committee’s work programmes, including contributions made by Members themselves, and external support from various sources, such as WMO/Voluntary Cooperation Programme (VCP), ESCAP/extra budgetary funding, Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (TCDC), bilateral assistance and other potential donors.

**15.2 In-kind Contribution**

The Committee may wish to take note of the information paper on in-kind contribution submitted by TCS.

**15.3 Typhoon Committee Trust Fund (TCTF)**

* The Committee will be informed on the finalized statement of account of TCTF for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2016 and the provisional statement for the period from 1 January 2017 to 31 March 2018 to be submitted by the representative of WMO Secretariat.
* The Committee will be also informed, by TCS, on the finalized summary of income and expenditure of years 2015 and 2016; and the provisional summary of income and expenditure for the period from 1 January 2017 to 31 March 2018 related to the execution of the Work Plan 2017/2018.
* The Committee is also invited to consider the amount of annual voluntary contribution to TCTF by Members.

**15.4 Approval of TCTF-2018/2019**

The Committee will approve, after discussion, the TCTF proposal for 2018/2019 to be submitted by the AWG.

**15.5 Disaster Information Management Services of ESCAP**

The Committee will be informed ESCAP’s new regional institution, the Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management (APDIM) and its initial work programme.

1. **Date and place of the 13th Integrated Workshop**

The Committee is invited to consider the date and place of the 13th Integrated Workshop, based on the kind acceptance of the Thailand to host the 13th Integrated Workshop.

1. **Hosting of the 14th Integrated Workshop**

Based on the Hosting Mechanism for Annual Session and IWS, approved at the 47th Session of TC, the Committee is invited to consider the next hosting member for 14th IWS.

1. **Dates and place of the 51st Session**

Based on the Hosting Mechanism for Annual Session and IWS, approved at the 47th Session of TC, the Committee is invited to consider the next hosting member for the 51st Session of TC.

1. **Hosting of the 52nd Session**

Based on the Hosting Mechanism for Annual Session and IWS, approved at the 47th Session of TC, the Committee is invited to consider the next hosting member for 52nd Session.

1. **Other Business**

The Committee may wish to consider other business that brought to its attention.

1. **Adoption of the Report**

The Committee’s report on its Fiftieth session will be adopted on the final day of the session.

1. **Closure of the Session**