

## **Progress Report on Resource Mobilization in 2025**

(Item 15 of Tentative Program for TC 58<sup>th</sup> Session)

(Submitted by Resource Mobilization Task Team)

### **ACTION REQUIRED:**

This Committee is invited to:

- a) Review the progresses of TC Resource Mobilization in 2025
- b) Approve the recommendations of RMTT for 2026 and beyond

### **APPENDIXES:**

- A) DRAFT TEXT FOR INCLUSION AT SESSION REPORT
- B) PROGRESS REPORT ON RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

## **APPENDIX I**

### **DRAFT TEXT FOR INCLUSION AT SESSION REPORT**

#### **15 Resource Mobilization of TC**

- 15.1 The Committee noted with pleasure the efforts made by TCS and Resource Mobilization Task Team (RMTT) following the decision of TC 57<sup>th</sup> Session and the progresses achieved in 2025 (Appendix ??).
- 15.2 The Committee expressed its appreciation to TCS and the members of RMTT for their great effort in conducting the further exploration on resource mobilization and AWG for offering useful advice in this matter.

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

- 15.3 Based on the further exploring on the information of resource mobilization in ESCAP and WMO, two major findings were identified as below:
- The non-Member entities' donations/contributions can be a powerful force for positive change as long as the Committee has a set of fair, open and effective rules to governs the mobilized contributions.
  - As an intergovernmental regional organization established under the auspices of ESCAP and WMO, it is possible for Typhoon Committee to accept the donations/contributions from the non-Member entities.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 15.4 On the basis of the deep discussion and communication, RMTT submitted the following recommendations to the Committee at TC 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Session:
- to approve the establishment of Typhoon Committee Support Fund (TCSF) to accept the donations/contributions from the non-Member entities.
  - to approve setting up a dedicated bank account specially for managing TCSF at TCS, separate from the existing TCS bank account.
  - to approve the General Principles for the Work of Typhoon Committee Resource Mobilization as the regulation of RMTT's work in 2026.
  - To request RMTT to work on the Teams of Reference for TCSF in 2026 under the supervision of AWG, and submit it to TC 59<sup>th</sup> Session for approval.

## APPENDIX II

### Progress Report on Resource Mobilization in 2025

Submitted by Resource Mobilization Task Team (RMTT)

1. Following the decision of TC 57th Session, under the supervision of AWG, Resource Mobilization of Typhoon Committee made remarkable progresses in 2025
2. The task team (TT) for resource mobilization (RM) of Typhoon Committee was established with Terms of Reference (TOR) for RMTT (annex 1) .
3. On the base of the nominations from Members, under the advise from AWG, the task team for resource mobilization was composed of following members. The representatives of ESCAP and WMO will be involved in the Task Force as supervisors.
  - Mr. Tom EVANS, AWG Chairperson, head of task team
  - Dr. Yihong DUAN, TC Secretary, vice-head of task team
  - Ms. WON Seonghee, Senior Researcher of KMA, member
  - Ms. Lucia FONG, Wai Chio, Senior Technician of DSMG, member
  - Dr. Nguyen Van HOANG, expert of disaster management, Vietnam Disaster and Dyke Management Authority, member
  - Dr. Jinping LIU, Hydrologist of TCS, member
4. RMTT further explored RM according to its Term of Reference (TOR) , including re-surveying the rules and mechanisms of resource mobilization in WMO and ESCAP.
  - Resource Mobilization in WMO
    - Responsible Department: The Resource Mobilization Division under the Office of Strategic Planning, Oversight and Governance (OSG) in the Secretariat.
    - Governing Policy: Guided primarily by WMO Resolution 8 – Policy for Cooperation with Non-State Entities (<https://library.wmo.int/>), which regulates partnerships with private sector entities and others.
    - Use of Funds: to mobilize voluntary contributions for WMO's strategic plans, supporting data exchange, technical cooperation, capacity development, and critical projects in meteorology and hydrology worldwide, supplementing the core budget to ensure the provision of global public goods.
  - Resource Mobilization in ESCAP
    - Responsible Department: Strategy and Programme Management Division (SPMD).
    - Governing Policy: ESCAP has a Resource Mobilization Strategy in place. SPMD is currently developing a new Resource Mobilization Strategy, reflecting the ongoing UN development system reform.
    - Use of Funds: to mobilize voluntary contributions for implementing ESCAP's strategic plans, funding projects and initiatives that advance the Sustainable

Development Goals (SDGs) in the Asia-Pacific region, focusing on areas like poverty reduction, environmental sustainability, and regional economic cooperation.

5. Referring to the above-mentioned background information, in order to have a set of clear rules to regulate RMTT's the works of next steps, under the AWG's supervisor, a General Principles for the Work of Typhoon Committee Resource Mobilization (annex 2) was drafted for discussion and approval at TC 58th Session.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF RMTT**

6. Based on the further exploring the information of resource mobilization in ESCAP and WMO, two major findings are identified as below:
  - The non-Member entities' donations/contributions can be a powerful force for positive change as long as the Committee has a set of fair, open and effective rules to governs the mobilized contributions.
  - As an intergovernmental regional organization established under the auspices of ESCAP and WMO, it is possible for Typhoon Committee to accept the donations/contributions from the non-Member entities.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS OF RMTT**

7. On the basis of the deep discussion and communication, RMTT likes to submit the following recommendations at TC 58th Annual Session to the Committee:
  - to approve the establishment of Typhoon Committee Support Fund (TCSF) to accept the donations/contributions from the non-Member entities.
  - to approve setting up a dedicated bank account specially for managing TCSF at TCS, separate from the existing TCS bank account.
  - to approve the General Principles for the Work of Typhoon Committee Resource Mobilization as the regulation of RMTT's work in 2026.
  - To request RMTT to work on the Teams of Reference for TCSF in 2026 under the supervisor of AWG, and submit it to TC 59<sup>th</sup> Session for approval.

Annex 1: Terms of Reference (TOR) for RMTT

Annex 2: General Principles for the Work of Typhoon Committee Resource Mobilization

## **TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE TASK TEAM OF RESOURCE MOBILIZATION OF TYPHOON COMMITTEE**

### **1. Background**

As per AWG's advice, TCS made the presentation and relevant key findings of the research on resource mobilization at TC 57<sup>th</sup> Session which was held in Manila, Philippines from 17 to 20 February 2025. The Session requested TCS to setup a task team to further explore Resource Mobilization, and if appropriate, to draft relevant mechanisms and guidelines.

At the post-Session meeting, AWG emphasized the importance of keeping the task team small and focused, with clearly defined Terms of Reference (TOR). AWG Chair will lead the drafting of the TOR before issuing a Circular Letter to the PRs of the Committee Members for nominating the members of task team, and will invite representatives from WMO and ESCAP to contribute their insights.

Consequently, under the lead of the AWG chair, TCS drafted the TOR for the Task Team.

### **2. Objective**

The main objectives of the Task Team are:

- 1) to review and assess the Summary Report on Resource Mobilization which was reported at TC 57th Session by TCS.
- 2) to further explore the feasibility of enhancing resource mobilization for the Committee.
- 3) to provide the relevant mechanisms and guidelines for resource mobilization of the Committee, if appropriate.
- 4) to provide timely progress reports to AWG and seek advice when necessary.

### **3. Structure and Organization**

- 1) AWG Chairperson will serve as head of task team, TC Secretary will serve as vice-head of task team.
- 2) AWG Chairperson and TC Secretary will work together to build the task team.
- 3) The Task Team will perform its activities under supervision of its head and vice-head.
- 4) The representatives of ESCAP and WMO will be involved as supervisors.

## **General Principles for the Work of Typhoon Committee Resource Mobilization (Draft)**

### **I. Background**

1. Following the decision of TC 57th Session, under the supervision of AWG, the task team (TT) for resource mobilization (RM) of Typhoon Committee was established with Mr. Tom EVANS, AWG Chairperson, as head of the task team and Dr. Yihong DUAN, TC Secretary, as vice-head of the task team.
2. RMTT further explored RM according to its Term of Reference (TOR) , including re-surveying the rules and mechanisms of resource mobilization in WMO and ESCAP.
  - Resource Mobilization in WMO
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### **II. Proposed Principle for RM of TC**

3. Referring to the above-mentioned background information, RMTT recommends that the Committee establish Typhoon Committee Support Fund (TCSF) to mobilize funds from Members as well as non-Member entities with the following general principles:
  - Administration
    - The Committee governs the mobilized contributions in TCSF. The annual budget plan shall be approved at TC Session, just as TCTF.

- The TCSF shall be used for implementing TC's strategic plans, funding projects and initiatives that advance the Targets and Key Result Areas (KRAs) of TC.
- The TCSF can only accept the contribution from the partners that pass the due diligence assessment.
- Contributions from non-Members shall not result in any actual or perceived influence over the Committee's policies or decision-making processes. The TCSF shall give priority to contributions supporting clearly defined, time-bound activities duly approved by the Committee (e.g., the 60th Anniversary), thereby ensuring that such contributions do not influence the policies or decisions of the Committee.

→ Operation

- A dedicated bank account shall be set up specially for TCSF at TCS, separate from the existing TCS bank account.
- As executive body of the Committee, TCS manages and operates the TCSF. TC Secretary is the manager of TCSF.

### III. Mechanism for RM of TC

- The Terms of Reference (TOR) for TCSF shall be established based on the above-mentioned Principle, subject to the approval of the Committee.
- RMTT will commence the drafting of the TOR for TCSF, subject to the approval of the Committee.

### IV. Checkpoints

Quarter	Action
1 <sup>st</sup> of 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalizing the draft Principle, and drafting the working document for TC 58<sup>th</sup> Session to be held in Jeju, ROK on 10-13 March 2026.</li> <li>• Endorsement of the Principle at Session.</li> </ul>
2 <sup>nd</sup> of 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drafting the draft TOR for RM of TC, and submitting the draft to AWG for comments in May/June 2026.</li> <li>• Working on bank account.</li> </ul>
3 <sup>rd</sup> of 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revision of the draft TOR on the base of the comments from AWG, and distributing the revised version of TOR to Members for comments.</li> <li>• Working on bank account (cont')..</li> </ul>
4 <sup>th</sup> of 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalizing the TOR on the base of the comments from Members.</li> <li>• Working on bank account (cont').</li> </ul>
1 <sup>st</sup> of 2027	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalizing the TOR (cont'), and drafting the working document for TC 59<sup>th</sup> Session.</li> <li>• Endorsement of the TOR for RM of TC at TC 59<sup>th</sup> Session.</li> </ul>