

\*\* November 2019 News from Sentinel Asia Project Office \*\*

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1. [News] Emergency Observation of Disasters Occurring in December 2019.

(1) Earthquake, Philippines

A series of earthquakes struck in Tulunan, North Cotabato, between 16 and 31 October 2019, causing extensive damage to properties and infrastructure.

(2) Typhoon, Vietnam

Tropical storm Nakri caused damage over 350 hectares of rice and crop damages in Khanh Hoa Province's Ninh Hoa Town.

The emergency observation request made by Manila Observatory was approximately for the first time in four years, the one by CAIAG was approximately for the first time in seven years. These emergency observation requests after such a long period can be regarded as one of the outcomes of the Training Workshop organized on the occasion of JPTM2019, particularly, "Simulation Training on emergency observation request", supported by ADRC, GISTDA, JAXA, and NARLabs.

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2. [Announcement] Emergency Observation Request

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With the transition of the Sentinel Asia system, EOR process has changed. Below are the manual for new EOR process.

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JPT member organizations are able to utilize EORs to gather information on major disasters in the Asia-Pacific region from the following satellites: ALOS-2 (JAXA), Resourcesat-2, CARTOSAT-2, RISAT-1 (ISRO), THEOS (GISTDA), VNREDSat-1 (VAST), X-Sat (CRISP), KOMPSAT (KARI), DubaiSat-2 (UAE) and FORMOSAT-5 (NARL).



### 3. [Announcement] Requests to JPT Members

#### - Enquiries about the Training Workshop

Following the Training Workshop organized by ADPC and JAXA on the occasion of JPTM2019, the secretariat has circulated enquires about the Training Workshop. Participants in the Training Workshop in Bangkok are kindly asked to visit the following link below and provide their feedback, if they have not yet done:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe-8zArdtwSUjrLB4LCIg7xVm9ids0K8Bcf3OWPGCc6sw45EQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe-8zArdtwSUjrLB4LCIg7xVm9ids0K8Bcf3OWPGCc6sw45EQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

As the secretariat plans to organize the follow-on Training Workshops in the future JPTMs, such feedback will be beneficial in order to improve this endeavor, thereby generate more good practices through collaboration among JPT members.

#### -Visit the OPTEMIS before a Disaster Strikes

The Sentinel Asia Project Office recommends that you visit the OPTEMIS of Sentinel Asia as soon as possible, before a disaster strikes your region. You will need a user ID and password to login. After you register to the OPTEMIS, administer will process your request within a working day.

OPTEMIS of Sentinel Asia:

<https://optemis.sentinel-asia.org/>

#### -Update Information

We welcome the latest updates on your space-related activities, along with your comments and suggestions. Please send them to Sentinel Asia Project Office (E-mail: Z-SENTINEL.ASIA@ml.jaxa.jp).

#### -Management of E-mail Box

To receive the newsletter regularly, be sure to check the capacity of your mailbox and filter function as often as possible.

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### 4. [Events]

Upcoming Events:

- Steering Committee (SC), 21-22 January, Hyderabad, India
- The 8th Joint Project Team Meeting for JPT-3 (JPTM2020), fall 2020 to be hosted by LAPAN,

