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Lao PDR country report

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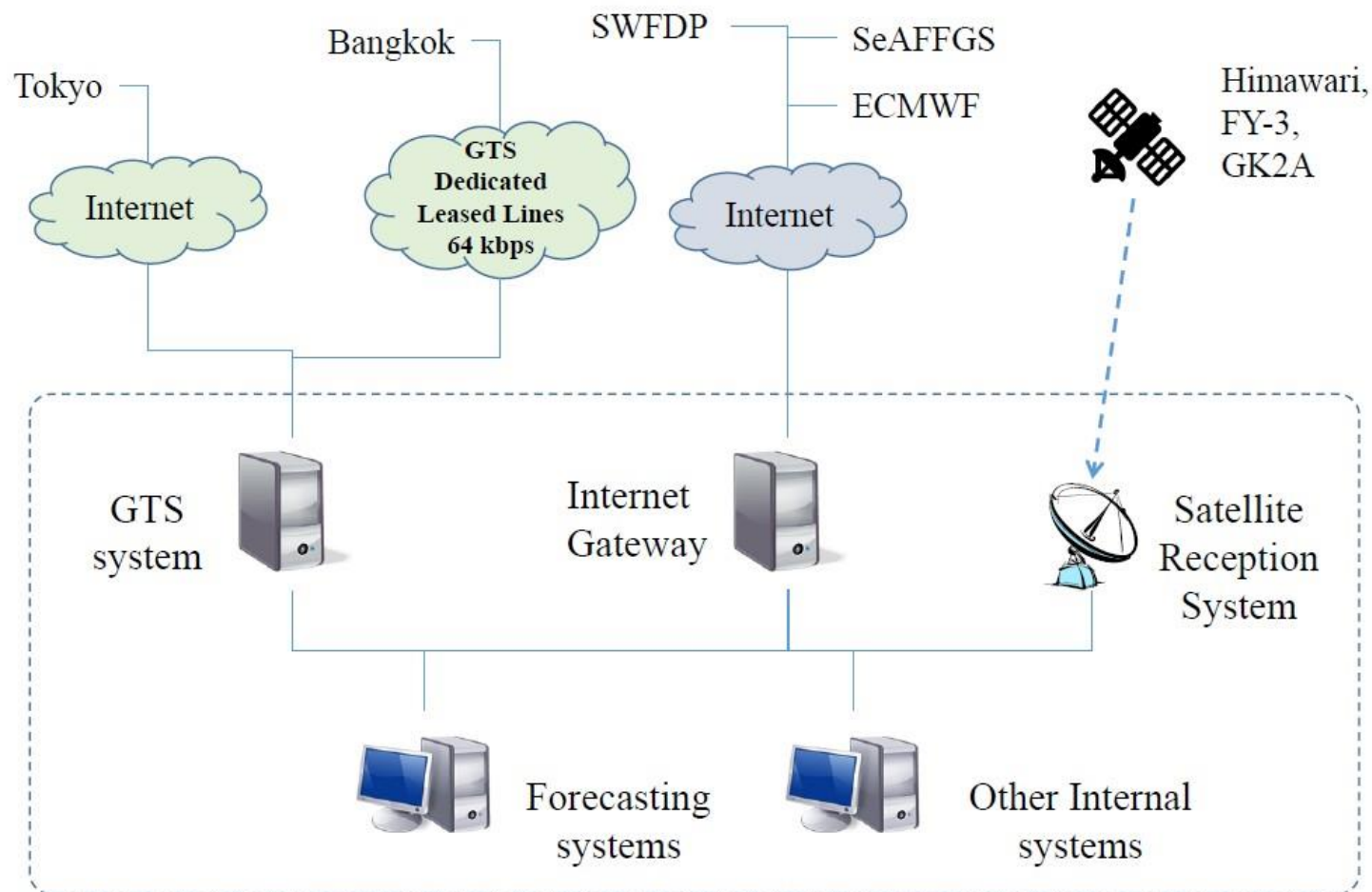
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1. System/network configuration



Status of system/network configuration

- 2003: Start operation of the system (TRANSMET).
- 2017: Start operation of the current system (Moving Weather).
- 2025: Investigate the system and propose to Campbell Scientific France
- Propose WIS2.0 to CREWS project
- 2026: Set up and fix AWS online System Integration, Procure equipment

Encoding data to the right format, Set up system, Train staff ,Trial sending data.

- 2027: Maintain system, Train staff System Operation.

Observation Network

- Provide a summary of your observation network:
 - Synoptic stations
 - number of stations: 22
 - number shared in GTS: 22, frequency: 5 stations/every 3 hours; 17 stations (00, 03, 06, 09 and 12 UTC)
 - Which format: SYNOP

- Automatic Weather Stations (AWS)
 - Total number of stations: 117
 - Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency: None
 - Data logger types and data formats (OTT, HyDro Spider,

- Radio-sounding network
 - Total number of stations: 0, under Donation Project (Wind Profiler)
 - Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency
 - Data formats used (ASCII, BUFR, or other to specify)

❖ Status of system/network configuration

- Recent updates of network connection to other countries, etc.

Country	Protocol	Data
Tokyo	WMO Socket	JMA Model (GRIB), SYNOP, SHIP, TEMP, METAR ...
Bangkok	WMO FTP	SYNOP, SHIP, TEMP, METAR, Forecast (NCEP), Warnings ...
ECMWF	HTTP	Global Model (GRIB)
RSMC-Tokyo	HTTP	Typhoon Forecast, NWP, Warnings,
RFSC-Hanoi	HTTP	Satellite, NWP, Warnings,
SeAFFGS	HTTP	NWP, FFG, Warnings,

2.Challenges of the current system/network

- Maintenance problems: many projects to modernize hydro-met networks, each project has its own unique system which makes it difficult to implement.
- Lack of fund and human resource: Each project must be fully allocated budget to the management and maintenance of equipment within 2 years after the project is handed over.
- Lack of training about the system: Increase training for technical staff, such as short-term, medium-term and long-term to ensure the sustainable management of the system.
- There are not enough personnel

3. Status of WIS2.0

- The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology (DMH) of Lao PDR currently operates a centralized, web-based system "MNEO" to manage all meteorological and hydrological data workflows.
- This platform supports the collection, aggregation, storage, and dissemination of observational data from national and international sources.
- Data is collected from a diverse range of observation networks, including
- Automatic Weather Stations (AWS) provided through various programs and partners (WB-MIWRM, DRM, ADB, FAO, WMO, China, Korea, Japan, Thailand, MRC). These stations collect real-time meteorological and hydrological data.
- Other Observational sources :
 - Lightning detection system (TOA)
 - Satellite observations from GK2A, FengYun, and Himawari
- Data is transmitted using multiple protocols:
 - GSM, FTP, HTTP REST API, and Socket connections.
- Collected data includes both meteorological and hydrological parameters, gathered in formats such as BUFR, CSV, and ASCII.
- All incoming data is routed directly into the MNEO system, where it is continuously monitored and processed.

4.Challenges of the WIS2.0 of system/network

- Lack of fund and human resource
- Lack of training about the system
- The internet system is not as fast it should be.
- The data transmission equipment in each locality is still insufficient

5. Expectation to JMA and other countries

- Request to GISC Tokyo for better services
- Ask for help from budget support.
- Request assistance in training for Department of Meteorology and Hydrology.
- Request of further cooperation with other countries, etc.
- DMH will host WIS2 solution: Public cloud based
- DMH will work with another country in the region:
Japan(JMA),China(CMA)
- Under CREWS project to procure a new service with cloud vendor

Thank you for your kind attention!