

Typhoon Fitow Central Emergency Operation Center Press Release

Cabinet Strategy Group

Monitor Typhoon Fitow's Movement - Continue Disaster Prevention and Rescue Efforts

According to CWB's data, at 15:00 on October 6, Typhoon Fitow was located at sea 180km northeast of Taipei, the Category 4 storm has a storm radius of 250km and Category 5 storm has a storm radius of 80km. It is moving at a speed of 18~15 km/h towards the west north-west. Due to the influence of the storm's circulations, rainfall is concentrated in windward regions north of Miaoli. Currently, cumulative rainfall for Jianshi Township in Hsinchu County has exceeded 500mm. In the future, wind and rain will continue to intensify in northern, northeastern and eastern Taiwan.

After listening to the fifth work meeting, Commander of CEOC and Minister Lee Hung-yuan instructed the CWB and National Science and Technology Center for Disaster Reduction to continue monitoring the typhoon's movement and rainfall. Currently, red alert for debris-flow-prone streams have been issued in Jianshi Township and Wufeng Township in Hsinchu County. In the future, possible alerts may be issued in Fuxin Township, Taoyuan County. The local municipalities are requested to implement evacuations promptly and take care of people in the shelter.

CWB once again urges the public that from now until after dark, the typhoon's influence will be its greatest with increasing wind and rain. Furthermore, wind and rain have also intensified this afternoon in the southwestern regions, the public is advised to stay indoors and beware of personal safety.