JMA/WMO Training Workshop on Calibration and maintenance of Meteorological instruments in RA II (ASIA)

Country Report

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Summary

Role of Department of Meteorology and Hydrology (DMH)
 DMH is Government organization, under Ministry of Natural resources and Environment (MONRE). Responsibility of DMH are follows:

- · manage the national network and data transmission system for meteorology, hydrology and earthquake
- · Collect, compile, analyze and publish data on meteorology, hydrology and earthquake, and
- · Raise awareness on meteorology, hydrology and earthquake regarding national development and natural disaster management.

2. Surface observation station

DMH observes only the surface and has not yet to observe upper air. The Meteorological network in Lao PDR consists of 17 main synoptic Meteorological stations, 1 automatic station, and 33climatology and Agro meteorological stations

Rainfall stations 93 stations, 1 Doppler radar (provided from Japan) and MTSAT_1R sources from JMA and 2 Earthquake observed stations (provided from China).

3. Instrument in operation use

Instruments used are Barometer, Barograph, Thermometer, Thermograph anemometer, sunshine recorder, Hygrograph, Rainfall gauge. Instruments
Manufactured by LAMBRECHT GERMANY and product from China and
Japan.

4. Problem Facing

Problem we are facing are lack of Human resources, lack of equipments Such as knowledge of maintenance and observation skill and experiences

Standard instrument and calibration No any calibration instrument and knowledge

6. Organization Future plan

DMH has been striving for its improvement on both capabilities of human resources and technical facilities (Instrument for operating use, standard and equipment for calibration), and also plan to observe upper air and to buy new instrument for calibration.