

TROPICAL CYCLONE PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

(Submitted by WMO)

Summary and purpose of document

The purpose of this document is to advise CGMS Members of WMO's Tropical Cyclone Programme requirements

ACTION PROPOSED

The meeting is invited to note the information contained in this document.

DISCUSSION

The WMO/ESCAP Panel on Tropical Cyclones for the Bay of Bengal and the Arabian Sea at its twenty-sixth session (Malé, Maldives, from 2 to 8 March 1999) welcomed the operation by EUMETSAT to shift Meteosat-5 to cover the Indian Ocean Experiment (INDOEX) through 1999. At the same time, it requested WMO to approach EUMETSAT that, at the end of INDOEX, Meteosat-5 be maintained in the Indian Ocean in order to assure better geostationary meteorological satellite coverage for the benefit of the Member countries of the Panel (Bangladesh, India, Maldives, Myanmar, Oman, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Thailand).
