



SITUATION

- A new Tropical Cyclone named NOCK-TEN formed over the north-western Pacific Ocean, near the Federated States of Micronesia, on 21 December. It then started moving north-west and it passed close to Yap island on 22 Dec morning (UTC), as a Tropical Storm. On 22 December at 6.00 UTC its centre was located approx. 20 km south-west of Yap island (Yap State, Federated States of Micronesia) and had max. sustained winds of 74 km/h (Tropical Storm).
- Over the next 24 h it is forecast to continue moving north-west towards Luzon (Philippines), strengthening. It may start approaching Bicol region late on 24 December, as a Typhoon. Heavy rain, strong winds and storm surge may affect several areas of Luzon and Visayas.
- Strong winds and heavy rains could also affect Yap island on 22-23 Dec. As of 22 December, early morning (UTC), a Tropical Storm Warning is in effect for Yap state (Federated States of Micronesia).

Sources: GDACS, JTWC, PAGASA, NDRRMC, JMA, NOAA, Media

