

# RRA Space Weather Operation under COVID-19

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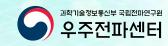


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# **KSWC Overview**

National Radio Research Agency Official source to deliver space weather products & services in Korea



KOREAN SPACE WEATHER CENTER (KSWC)

Operation Center Forecast & Alert, R&D, Observation



 Space weather effect on (terrestrial) climate, weather, meteorological satellite



Research on optical & radio astronomy,
 space science



Korea Polar Research Institute

Research on ionosphere, mesosphere in polar region

## **KSWC Overview**





#### **Regional Warning Center**





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2012

#### **Member of IPT-SwieSS**



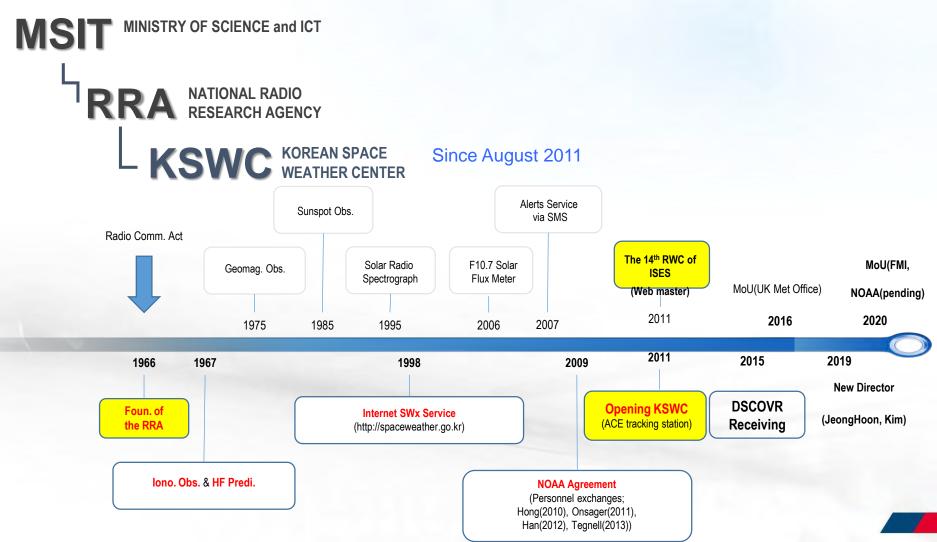
#### **Recently joined ICAO MET/H**

#### **Delegate for Space Weather**

Leading Agency of ROK

# **KSWC** Overview

KSWC is the government institute for <u>SWx operation & research</u> & the primary action agency of <u>emergency measure to severe SWx</u>.



## **KSWC** operation – New Director's Inauguration



 1th June 2019 : Director Kim has started his official work (The world was very Peaceful & Calm, we were very happy !)



## **KSWC** operation – Training simulation

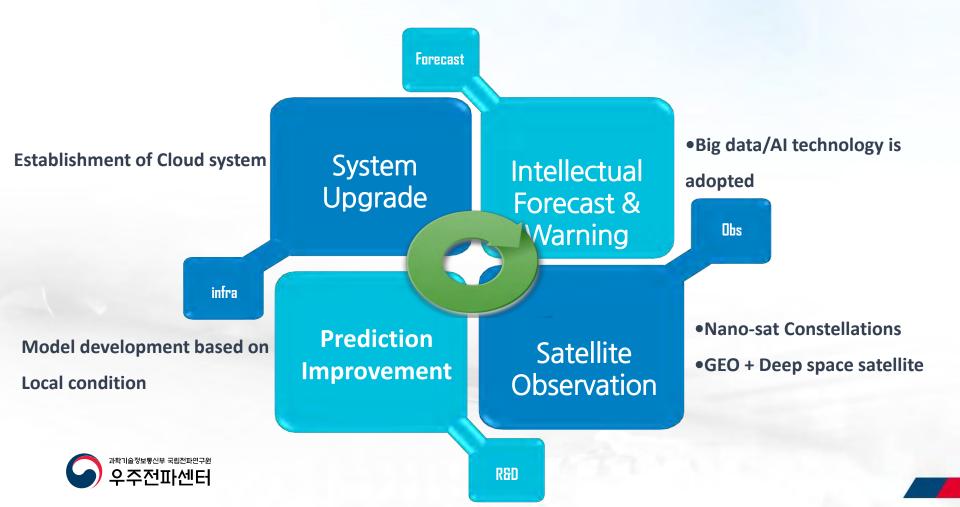


A Strict Directive from KCDC
 "Wearing a mask can prevent infectious diseases"

June 30, 2020

## KSWC operation – Planning for the next Solar Maximum

## Advancement of Work condition, observation, R&D



## KSWC operation – Long Term Strategy for SWx satellite mission



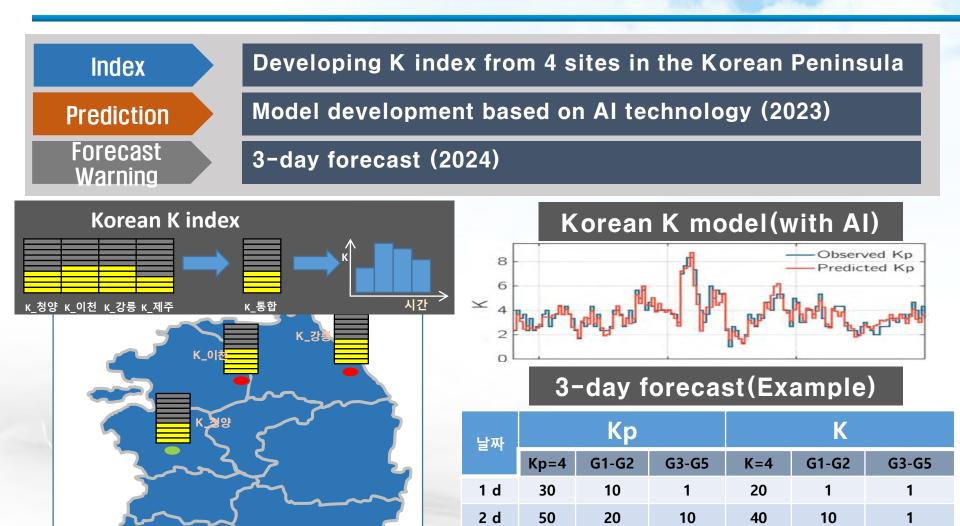
### NOAA SWFO-L1 [Ground receiving station]

ESA Lagrange-L5 [PD, Magnetograph] Nano-sat Constellations

KTSAT/COMS3 [X-ray, PD, Magnetometer]

2 face to face meeting(Jan, Feb)
 4 Online meeting(Mar, Apr(2), Jul

## KSWC operation - R&D for Geomagnetic disturbance Model



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✓ 3 face to face meeting(Jan, Feb, Apr)
✓ 7 Online meeting(Apr-Nov)

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## KSWC operation – 10<sup>th</sup> Space Weather Conference(Virtual)

### Planned-the most biggest event in the national SWx Community





- **Due to Physical Distancing LV2**
- ✓ Crowdless+Online Conference
  - Only Speakers at the event (Including Invited Speakers)
- ✓ Temperature Checks
- ✓ 2 Preparation meetings via Webinar
  - 1 face to face meeting(Feb)

- Participants : around 5 ths via Youtube, NAVERTV (Will be more increased)
- ✓ Speakers(total of 38)
- For domestic : 30
- for Foreign: 8
- Welcome remark (UN COPUOS, NOAA, KSSS, KASI)

## KSWC operation – 10<sup>th</sup> Space Weather Conference(Virtual)



### Recorded video https://voutu.be/9zKZ8aOGKBY

## KSWC operation – MoU with FMI for Aviation Collaboration

Memorandum of Understanding	PREAMBLE	<ol><li>This MoU will come into force after both Parties have signed it. If either of the Parties wants to resign from this agreement, it should inform the other Party about it by a written notice three months before the resigning date.</li></ol>		
between the	stitute (FMI) and the Korean National Radio Resean stablish collaboration in order to develop and maintai r civil aviation. The Parties are research institutes that o	<ol> <li>In order to facilitate communication and coordination of efforts under this MOU, the Parties designate the following points of contact:</li> </ol>		
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Space Weather Services for Civil Aviation	he process.	Date : 11 November, 2020	Date: 2020. 11.11.	
	<ul> <li>Non Disclosure Agreement covering all information exchanol of assets is limited for the purpose of ICAO space weather son in other space weather services will be negotiated separated</li> </ul>			

Signing a formal document i.e. MoU is also Virtual ! (Used PDF Professional tool)

# Lessons Learned

1. Convenient but more complexity
✓ Convenient : focused on the topic
✓ Complexity : more preparation is required

2. Online is more expensive than Off-line
✓ Many of devices are required for the meeting
✓ Some of them is highly expensive(for broadcasting)
✓ Some error is inevitable(Disconnecting, low quality of service due to limited bandwidth, channels are occupied)

- 3. Online is not the final solution for the people
- ✓ Mis-interpretation+Time Limit
- Schedule setting is also a burden of task(irritating)

 $\rightarrow$  I'd like to be linked and have some beer with you !

# How We Fought COVID - 19

#### 6-2. Cooperation with International Organizations

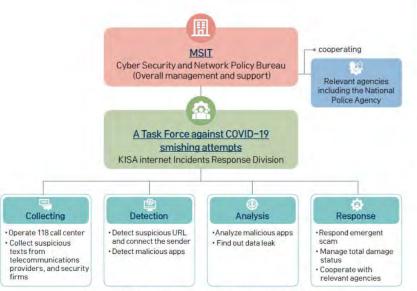


Figure 5-5-1. Task Force against COVID-19 Smishing Attempts.

- Korea actively shares its experiences with using science and ICT to tackle COVID-19 with international organizations and multilateral consultative bodies, including the G20 and OECD.
- The G20 has adopted the Ministerial Statement on COVID-19 Response, which recognizes the potential of digital technologies, such as AI, for developing diagnostics, treatments and vaccines.

#### 1. Introduction

With the recent worldwide spread of COVID-19, major international organizations and multilateral consultative bodies have started holding discussions on how to respond to this global crisis. Korea has actively shared its experiences with using science and ICT to tackle the virus.

#### 2. Background & Purpose

Korea has received much recognition for deploying science and ICT to prevent the spread of COVID-19. One notable example is the rapid development of COVID-19 test kits using AI. At the request of many countries around the world, Korea has shared its experiences with responding to COVID-19 using science and ICT and promoted tackling the pandemic through international cooperation.

#### 3. Implementation

The government published *How We Fought COVID-19: A Perspective from Science & ICT* through government-wide collaboration and has shared it with the international community.

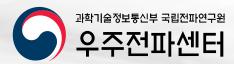
#### 4. Key Features

The Vice Minister of the MSIT attended the Virtual Ministerial Dialogue on COVID-19 and Open Science hosted by UNESCO on March 30. He presented Korea's COVID-19 response measures, including transparent and rapid information sharing and the development of test kits, and shared the results of drug repositioning research involving drugs that demonstrated efficacy constrained COVID-19 and the development of test kits.

## We can learn from COVID-19 that International Cooperation is highly essential !

# Q&A

## Safe From COVID-19 ! Hope to see you Soon !



## Asia-Oceania Space Weather Alliance (AOSWA) online conference 2020

# KSEM Operations during COVID-19"

## National Meteorological Satellite Center Korea Meteorological Administration

**Daehyeon Oh** 

24 November 2020

# **GK-2A** 5 Dec 2018

# **Particle Detector**

# Korean Space wEather Monitor KSEM

# Magnetometer

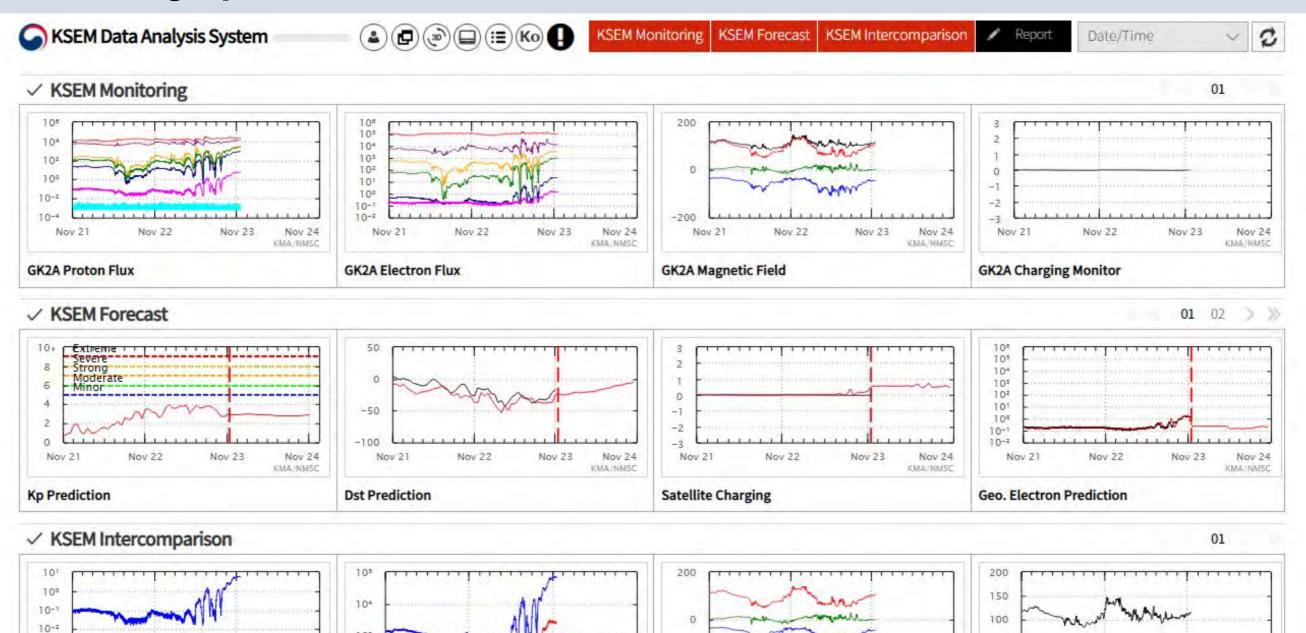
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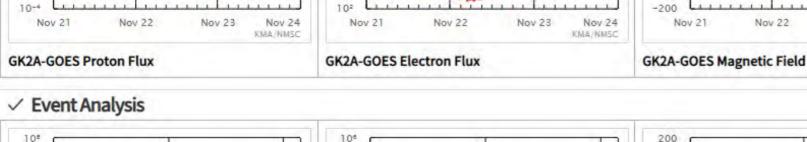


**Charging Monitor** 

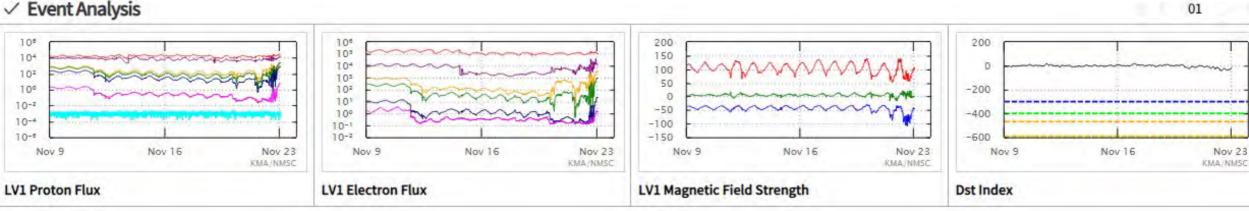
## **Monitoring Space Weather**

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Nov 22

**GK2A-DSCOVR Magnetic Field** 

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Nov 24

KMA/NMSC

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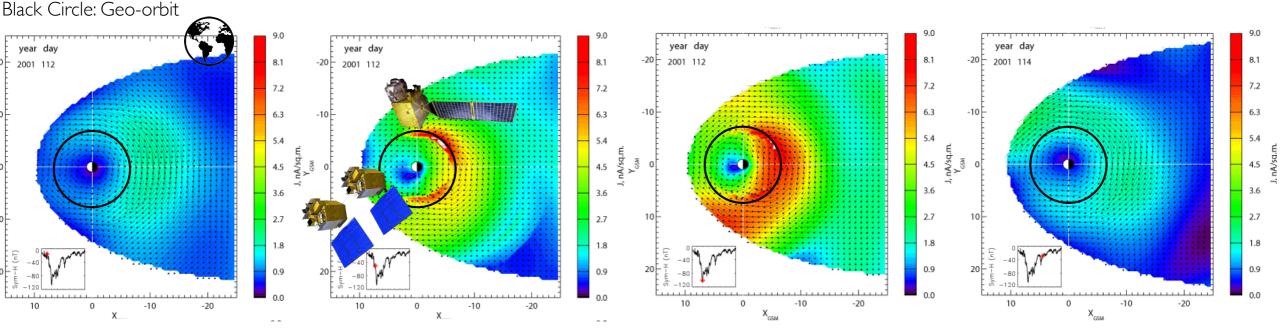
KMA/NMSC

## Monitoring Geo-orbit space weather at multipoint.

 Monitoring space weather above the eastern hemisphere is a basic and fundamental task of KSEM, but its potential uses can be expanded in scientific field.

•Combining the real-time data from GK-2A, GOES satellites, and FY-4 satellites, we can monitor a day (or night) side of magnetosphere for almost 16 hours continuously.

•Longer duration of observation provides more change to detect short-time events such as sudden magnetopause crossing on day side, substorms on

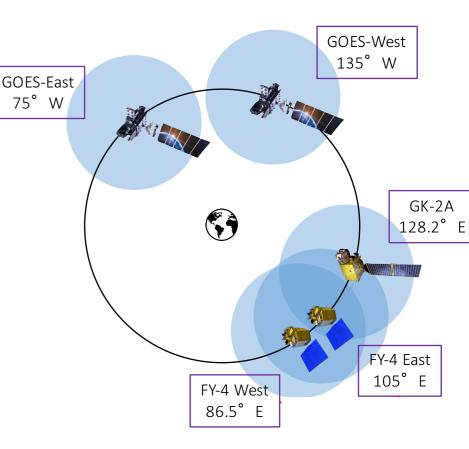


Asymmetric equatorial current density change in April 2001 storm (Sitnov et al., 2008)

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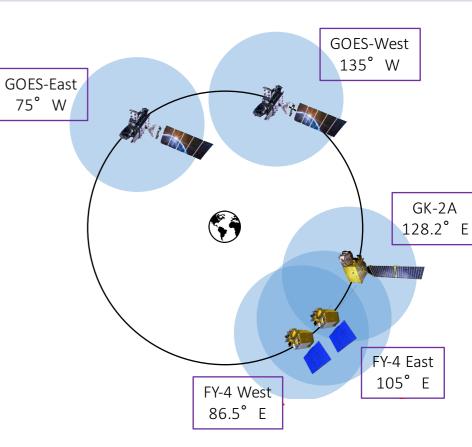
•This also makes possible to do more precise studies on asymmetric phenomena which may have some physical relationship occurs on different hemispheres.

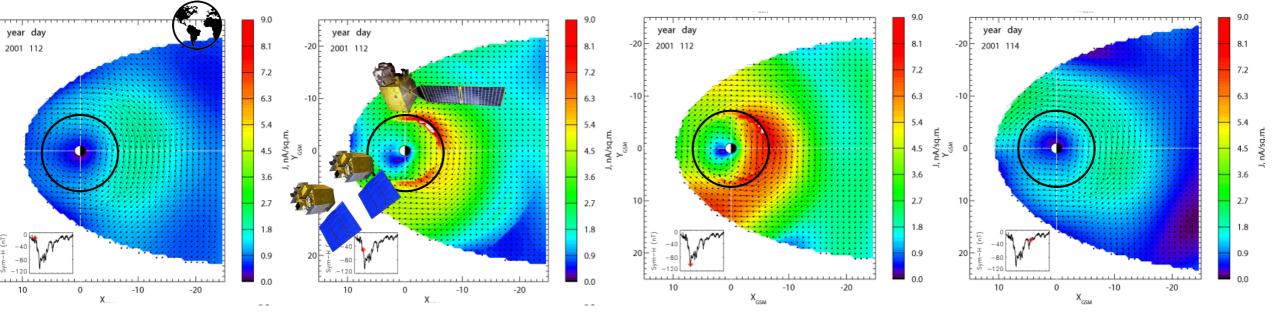
•Such potential studies can be used for better assessing the level of geomagnetic activities, and in more advanced case, it could be used for developing new space weather indices based on geostationary magnetic field data.

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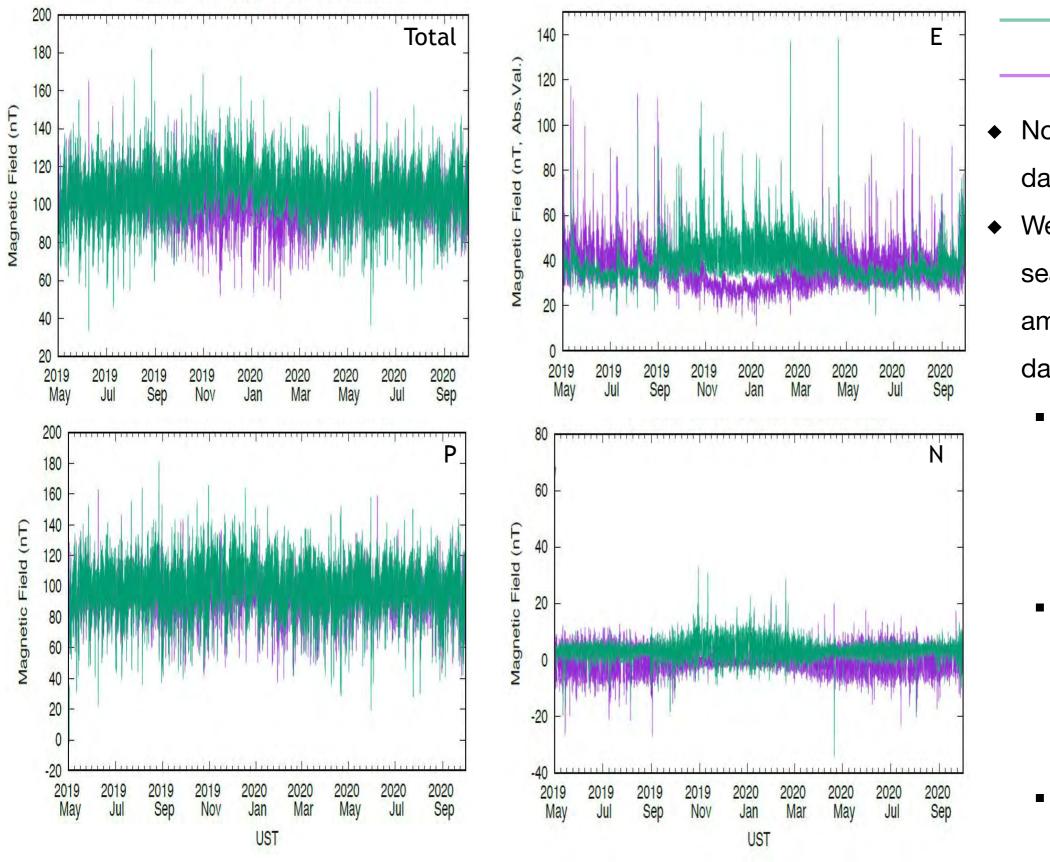
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Asymmetric equatorial current density change in April 2001 storm (Sitnov et al., 2008) Black Circle: Geo-orbit

## From May 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020 – GK2A/KSEM MG & GOES 16 MG



No critical issue in MG data producing

**KSEM** 

GOES

- We found a periodic
   seasonal change of daily
   amplitudes from E and N
   data.
  - It has opposite phase with GOES-16 MG data (purple in left figures)
  - GK2A/KSEM:
    - Wide in winter, narrow in summer
  - GOES-16:
    - Narrow in winter, wide in summer

# NMSC/KMA during COVID-19 pandemic





- Everyone who enters the building must pass thermal check.
- Everyone in office must wear face mark.
- Transparent acrylic walls in meeting room.
- Most of meetings and conferences use video conferencing services.
- Hand sanitisers in almost every offices and tables.
- Self thermal check twice a day.

### Self thermal check table





# NMSC/KMA during COVID-19 pandemic

- No significant/Critical impact to date.
- One of our contractor employees was reported as Covid-19 confirmed case after visiting NMSC, but there was no inside infection from him/her.
- No Covid-19 Confirmed case in NMSC to date.
- Work from/at Home
  - Since end of June 2020: Once in three days with rotation
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  - Maybe 'Once in three days' again soon after...

# NMSC/KMA during COVID-19 pandemic

We are in KSEM long-term (>1year) data review phase and,
 fortunately the Sun is relatively calm these months, there is no big

change in regular KSEM operation.

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# Summary

We are okay and have no significant problem due to COVID-19

pandemic, at least until now.

# Thanks And Stay Safe