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Provide a summary of your observation network:

1. Synoptic stations

- number of stations, number shared in GTS, frequency: 12
- Which format (SYNOP FM-12 or BUFR): Synoptic formate and BURF -TDCF - Table driven code, IWXX - ICAO Meterological Information Exchange model

2. Automatic Weather Stations

- Total number of stations: 98
- Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency: 0 Stations
- Data logger types and data formats: SM cards powered by Message Switching system in form of text format.

3. Radio-sounding network

- Total number of stations: 01 not operational Hydrogen generator mis functional
- Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency
- Data formats used (ASCII, BUFR, or other to specify)





Please provide an overview of your current data collection and processing systems, including:

Data Collection: How is data gathered from your observation network?

- Manual stations 03 hourly time steps, Data is filled on observation slips, and synoptic forms.
- ❖Automatic Weather stations real time transmission via SMS.
- ❖ Radar data
- ❖Wind shear





Please provide an overview of your current data collection and processing systems, including:

Data Aggregation: What methods or systems are used to compile and organize the collected data?

Data is transmitted to National Forecasting office – SMS and Email.

Observation slips – Posted to DMS data centre, and archived into a repository system .

- Bulletined and sent to the GTS system
- Shared with Nairobi through an email alternative is the mess.com – able to detect errors the data. License is inactive

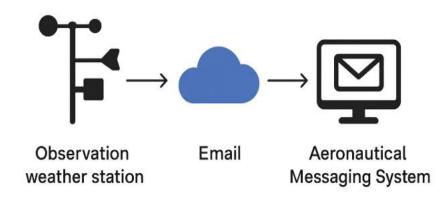




Please provide an overview of your current data collection and processing systems, including:

International Data Sharing: How is your data currently published on the GTS?

- Bulletined and sent to the GTS system
- Shared with Nairobi through an email alternative is the messil.com license is inactive
- Aeronautical Message handling systems ICAO aviation purposes.







Please provide an overview of your current data collection and processing systems, including:

IT Infrastructure: What hardware, software, and platforms used for these tasks?

Hardware;

- 01 Server for data preprocessing WRF model initialization for NWP products.
- 03 Radar covering the all country
- Desktop computers

Software; ClimCom, ClimSoft, PUMA





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Provide a summary of your observation network:

1. Synoptic stations

- There are 5 synoptic stations, Six (6) automatic ago-meteorological and eighteen (18) automatic Rainfall Stations.
- Which format? SYNOP FM-12

2. Automatic Weather stations

- ❖ There are total 11 Automatic Weather Stations, purchased from Earth Network, mounted on GSM towers, to providing provincial weather forecast for Liberia.
- Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency: One station transmitting on the AMHS.. Transmission is every 30 minutes or hourly.
- Wireless Data logger types, using cellular sim cards and data formats

3. Radio-sounding network

We do not have upper air stations





Please provide an overview of your current data collection and processing systems, including:

- 1. Data Collection: Data is generated and stored automatically on the servers by all of our automatic weather stations.
- 2. Data Aggregation: Data gathered are compiled, organize and stored in a readable .xlsx format for public consumption.
- 3. International Data Sharing: After the Data is analyzed, a forecast is generated for 29 Cities in Liberia and published free for the public on https://meteoliberia.com.
- **4. IT Infrastructure**: What hardware, software, and platforms used for these tasks? The hardware use is Server, Windows software installed on it and on ADCON server.





All of the stations are automatic which contain data loggers that enable automatic data harvest, storage and transmission to the central server. The data are access through the internet system and downloaded for processing, analysis and presentation. There is no central data base system currently to synchronize the data collected. However, the data are treated using different software including ClimSoft, ClaData Instst, R, ArcGIS, QGIS, Linux, Excel, Sufer and other computer programming/data languages.





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Provide a summary of your observation network:

- 1. Synoptic stations
 - 20 synoptic stations (conventional)
 - ❖ 20 share data (2 times a day) SYNOP FM-12
- 2. Automatic Weather Stations
 - * 80 Total number of stations
 - ❖ 6 core 3 Recommended (24hrs) Buffer
 - Campbell and Tahmo
- 3. Radio-sounding network
 - none





DATA COLLECTION

Phone calls, whatsapp groups (convention stations)
GPRS from automatic stations (to server)
API





Data Aggregation

Hourly and Daily
15 minute to Hourly





International Data Sharing

Through GTS via Netsys Wis2box





IT Infrastructure

Sensors – Loggers –GPRS- Server-ftp- 1. Archaive(climsoft)

Sensors – Loggers –GPRS- Server-WIS2

Sensors – Loggers –GPRS- API Server-ftp- 1. Archaive(climsoft)

Stations – Whatsapp or phone call- Netsys(servers) - GTS





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A. Synoptic stations

* number of stations

We have two synoptic stations (Bujumbura Airport and Muyinga).

*Number shared on the GTS

• We have one currently synoptic station(Bujumbura) shared on the GTS.

*Update frequency

- For the Bujumbura Airport station, the data frequency is 1h
 - *Format
 - The format used is Csv or Text





B. Automatic Weather Stations

*Total number of stations

We have 20 main automatic stations (more parameters) and more than 30 rain stations on the national territory

*Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency

At the moment we have only one shared station on the GTS (Bujumbura Airport) and its frequency is hourly

*Data logger types and data formats

Our Data loggers are categorized into two categories based on the Provieder:

A. Adcon Telemetry

B. LSI

The data formats are almost the same (CSV and Text), except that the processing software is different (Addvantange and 3dom).

- *Radio-sounding network
- We don't have a radio-sounding network





Data Collection(manual metrological stations)

We have manual metrological stations, the collection is done by manual readings by the observers then they send them to the Meteorological center in paper format.

Data Aggregation(manual metrological stations)

We use CLIMSOFT for archiving and processing this data.

International Data Sharing(manual metrological stations)

At de moment we don't shard this data





Data Collection(AWS)

For automatic stations, transmission is done via the GPRS system from the station to the server

We have also 2 stations telemetric

Data Aggregation(AWS)

We have Addvantage Pro software for archiving, data processing and visualization International Data Sharing(AWS)

At the moment we don't shard this data.

The reason is that we have a big problem with the maintenance of these automatic stations because most of them are donations from projects.

At the moment we have only one station that shares the newly connected data via the WIS2 project



IT Infrastructure

- We have servers for the automatic stations and servers for the data from the manual stations.
 - We also have PCs for manual data entry.
 - We have a local network to enter and process this data.
 - We also have a slow internet network.
 - For software, we use Climsoft, Addvantage Pro, and 3Dom.





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Provide a summary of your observation network:

1. Synoptic stations

- number of stations (17), number shared in GTS (17), frequency (3 hourly)
- Which format (SYNOP FM-12)

2. Automatic Weather Sstations

- ❖ Total number of stations about 300 in number
- Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency 0

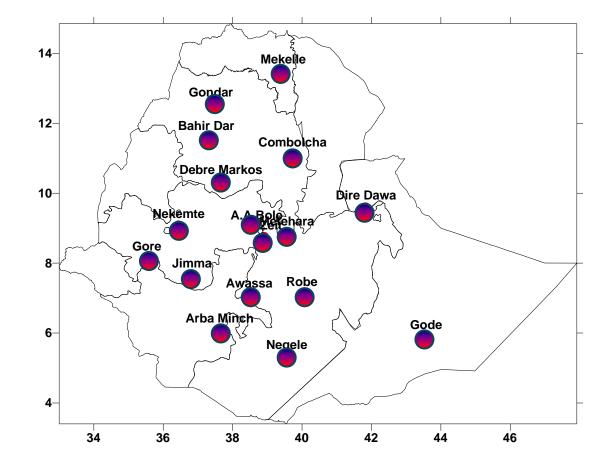
Data logger types and data formats

- ✓ Adcon (RTU), Vaisal, KOICA ()
- ✓ Data format csv

3. Radio-sounding network

- Total number of stations 2 stations
- Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency 1, currently not operation due to lack of consumables
- Data formats used (ASCII, BUFR, or other to specify)

FM 35-XI Ext. TEMP FM 32-XI Ext. PILOT



Distribution of Synoptic Stations





Radiosonde data are reported in 5 sections.

1. TTAA 2. TTBB 3. PPBB 4. TTCC 5. TTDD

SOFF GBON Plan

Plan for coming 2026 and 2027

Table 4. Ethiopia's results of the GBON national gap analysis.

GBON requirements	GBON target (#of stations)	Compliant stations with GBON requirement (# of stations)	Stations needed against GBON requirement	
			New	Improved
SURFACE STATIONS • Horizontal resolution: 200km • Variables: SLP, T, H, W, SD • Observation cycle: 1h	29	0	13	16
UPPER-AIR STATIONS. Horizontal resolution: 500km • Vertical resolution: 100m, up to 30 hpa Variables: T, H, W • Reporting cycle: twice a day	5	0	3	2







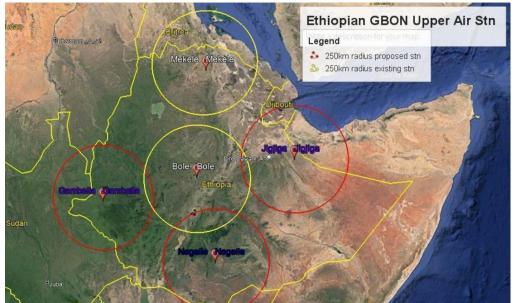


Table 2: Ethiopia's National Contribution Target toward GBON compliance

Requirements	SOFF progressive threshold	National target toward GBON compliance and timeline	Vision for long-term target toward full GBON compliance
Horizontal resolution			
Surface-based	29 stations	60% of stations by 2025	100% of stations by 2026
Upper air	5 stations	60 of stations by 2025	100% of stations by 2026
Reporting cycle			
Surface-based	80% of monthly reports exchanged	60% of monthly reports exchanged by 2026	80% of monthly reports exchanged
Upper air	80% of monthly reports exchanged	60% of monthly reports exchanged by 2026	80% of monthly reports exchanged





- Please provide an overview of your current data collection and processing systems, including:
 - Data Collection: How is data gathered from your observation network?

The data collection has three parts:-

Real time data collection from manual stations.

- From 17 synoptic stations every three hours data collected in coded form and shared globally
- Once in a day data is collected via telephone or radio from selected 100-130 stations for internal purpose and sharing 50 stations daily RF and TT data to ICPAC on dekadal bases. The data are obtained directly from the stations or from Meteorological Services Centers

Historical data collection from all manual stations

Hard copy data sent from 11 Meteorological Services Centers via post

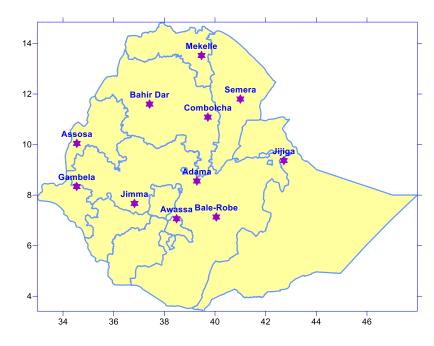
Digitized data in excel format come to the head office via email and imported into CDMS.

Real time data collection from AWS stations

Data come to the central servers via GPRS – mobile system- ethiotelecom







1. Data Aggregation: What methods or systems are used to compile and organize the collected data?

We use a climate database system called CLIDATA. It has an inbuilt data processing feature.

Aggregate



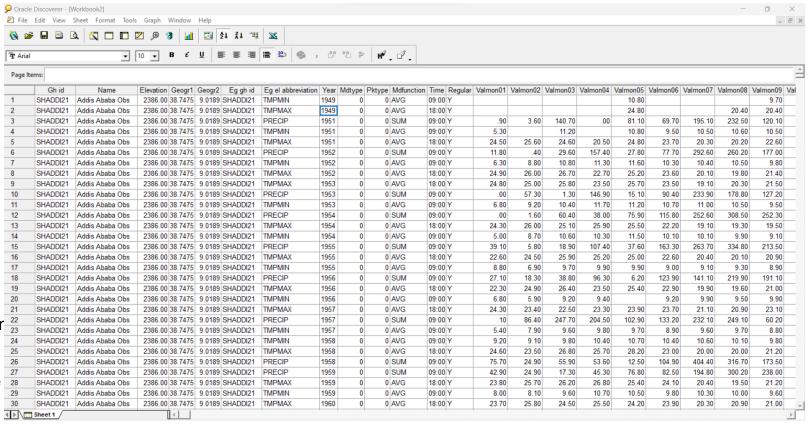


Outputs from the clidata database system

- Daily weather records in different format
 - Days along rows or along columns
 - Ten daily processed data
 - Monthly and annual processed data
 - Normal values (30 year mean)
- 30 years and station life time extreme values and record values
- Wind rose diagrams by month, season and annual
 - It can be single month, season or annual or mear of mother one month, season or year
- Maximum and minimum values along with date of occurrence
 - Monthly counted values
 - Rainfall > 30 mm
 - Temperature > 35°C
 - Temperature < 5°C







Monthly rainfall, maximum and minimum temperature data from Clidata CDMS

- 1. International Data Sharing: How is your data currently published on the GTS?
 - a. GTS
 - b. We use the COROBOR system to share data globally
 - a. Unfortunately we encounter a problem now, we share via email
- 2. IT Infrastructure: What hardware, software, and platforms used for these tasks?
 - I. Two servers dedicate for GTS COROBOR MESSIR
 - II. Two dedicated servers for MEISSER COM GTS data transfer
 - III. Three servers for AWS data management from three suppliers
 - Adcon
 - Vaisal
 - South Korea





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A summary of your observation network:

- Synoptic stations Number of stations 27, number shared in GTS 14, Which format (SYNOP FM-12 or BUFR)
- 2. Automatic Weather Stations: Total number of stations 98; Number of stations shared on GTS 0 and update frequency Data logger types and data formats ASCII,
- 3. Radio-sounding network: Total number of stations 1, Number of stations shared on GTS 1 and update frequency, Data formats used (ASCII, BUFR, or other to specify)





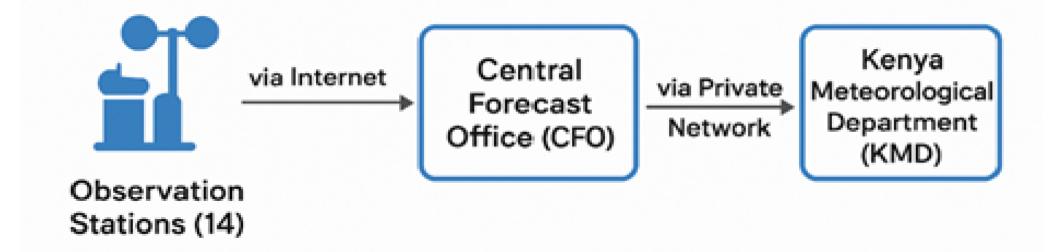
Overview of current data collection and processing systems

- 1. Data Collection: How is data gathered from your observation network? Manual and Automatic
- 2. Data Aggregation: What methods or systems are used to compile and organize the collected data? Web interface
- 3. International Data Sharing: How is your data currently published on the GTS? WIS2.0 Node and Email
- **4. IT Infrastructure**: What hardware(Cloud Computation), software(Custom software and WIS2.0 Node, and platforms used for these tasks?





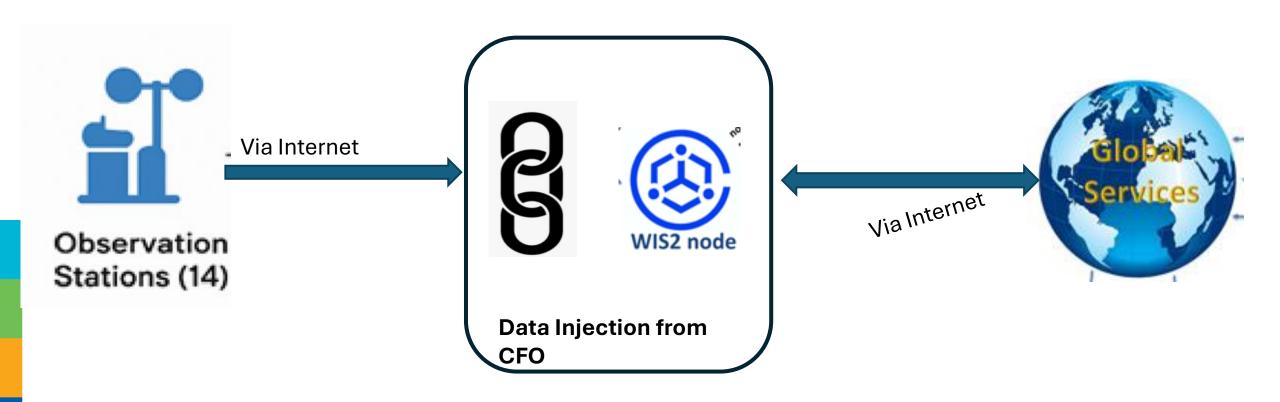
TMA Observation Network and Data Flow







New infrastructure Currently Implemented







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Provide a summary of your observation network:

1. Synoptic stations

- number of stations, number shared in GTS, frequency 24 stations, 24 shared, hourly (AWS + Observations)
- Which format (SYNOP FM-12 or BUFR) both SYNOP FM-12 and BUFR

2. Automatic Weather Stations

- Total number of stations 247
- Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency 100, hourly
- Data logger types and data formats CR10X & CR1000, ASCII format

3. Radio-sounding network

- Total number of stations 8
- Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency 8, 12 hourly
- Data formats used (ASCII, BUFR, or other to specify) both SYNOP FM-12 and BUFR





Please provide an overview of your current data collection and processing systems, including:

- **1. Data Collection**: How is data gathered from your observation network? *SAWS makes use of SDWAN, LAN, APN (3G & LTE (newer stations) mobile technology)*
- 2. Data Aggregation: What methods or systems are used to compile and organize the collected data? Download data to regional SQL databases (24) with in-house developed software, data is quality controlled then distributed to main Climate SQL Database. Observational data is distributed to MHS, from MHS to GTS and to WIS2 via WIS2Box.
- **3. International Data Sharing**: How is your data currently published on the GTS? Via Routing tables.
- **4. IT Infrastructure**: What hardware, software, and platforms used for these tasks? Windows 11 & 10 PC's (busy upgrading all PC's to Windows 11) at the regional offices, SQL server std edition (2019 or 2022). Head Office use VMWARE version 8 for server environment, Windows Server 2019 Std Edition, SQL Server Enterprise Edition 2022 and in-house developed software to import the data received from the regions.





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Provide a summary of your observation network:

1. Synoptic stations

- * number of stations:5, number shared in GTS:4, frequency:SYNOP:3hrs, METAR:1hrs
- Which format : BUFR

2. Automatic Weather stations

- ❖ Total number of stations:107
- Number of stations shared on GTS: 3 (GBON Stations), but on WIS2.0 not GTS
- update frequency: Every one hour
- ❖ Data logger types and data formats: data logger type: CR1000Xe.

3. Radio-sounding network

- Total number of stations: 0
- ❖ There is a plan to have 1 by the end of the year 2025
- 4. Radar systems: 01, C-band but in upgrade completion phase to solid state in early November 2025





Please provide an overview of your current data collection and processing systems, including:

- **1. Data Collection**: Manual(volunteer: USSD code, Principal stations:-climsoft (DB to DB by pushing data from local server address to HQ server address:FTP/IP).
- **2. Data Aggregation**: What methods or systems are used to compile and organize the collected data?. We use climsoft software to manage our data.
- **3. International Data Sharing**: How is your data currently published on the GTS?:via AMSS system by FTP/IP
- 4. IT Infrastructure:
- Hardware: C-band dual polarized weather radar (solid state), Ground satellite receiver (ClimSA\PUMA-2025), Radio sounding, Automatic Weather Stations(AWS)
- Software: Climsoft for data management, WRF model for forecasting.. etc
- platforms/Systems: Smart Met and Smart Alert system, AMSS(by using ftp protocol)
- Storage devices: Network Attached Storage (NAS-128TB), for storing onsite backup then replicated to the offsite at national data center as backup.
- **High Performance Computer(HPC):** for heavy climate data processing and analysis





GBON Stations

✓ Number of stations:03

✓ number shared in WIS2.0:03





Future plan and challenges

☐Future plan

- Installation of Upper air station/radio sounding by end of 2025 via SOFF-UNDP Rwanda project.
- Revive **Butare Synoptic station** and to be placed in same enclosure with radio sounding station.
- Install X-band and C-band solid state weather radar and to be operational by the end of June 2027 via Volcano community resilience project (VCRP) project financed by World bank.

☐ Challenges.

- Maintenance of Observing stations due to budget constraints
- Lack of capacity bulding and enough skills on new acquired equipment, systems.
- High turnover





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Synoptic Stations

Total Stations: 3

Reporting to GTS: (Mogadishu, Hargeisa, Berbera)

Observation Frequency: 6-hour intervals (00, 06, 12, 18 UTC)

Format: SYNOP FM-12





Automatic Weather Stations (AWS)

Total Stations: 36 (5 from Ministry of Water and Energy, 18 from ICPAC,

13 from FAO-SWALIM)

Shared on GTS: 5

Update Frequency: every 15 Minutes

Data Loggers:

Adcon Telemetry, Campbell Scientific, Vaisala

Formats: XML, CSV, JSON, BUFR





Data Collection:

Methods in Use:

AWS transmit via GSM/3G or satellite

Manual stations report by SMS or email

Radiosonde data uploaded through dedicated software

Limitations: Network instability, low automation, and irregular updates





Data Aggregation

Current Tools: Excel sheets, CLIMSOFT (underway)

Databases: ICPAC servers, MoEWR database, Somali Aviation Centre

Quality Control: Combination of manual checks and automated scripts





International Data Sharing (GTS)

Channel: Through IGAD-ICPAC (Nairobi Hub)

Formats: BUFR, SYNOP

Current Practice: Limited number of stations publishing in real

time.

Partners: WMO, ICPAC





IT Infrastructure

Current Tools: Local servers. CLIMSOFT and MeteoInfo, both under-development.

Platform: WIS (through ICPAC), Cloud backup

Gaps: Weak connectivity, limited infrastructure





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observation network:

1. Synoptic stations

- Five Stations:
- Juba
- ❖ Wau
- Malaka
- Renk
- Raja
- Format SYNOP FM-12

2. Automatic Weather Stations

Twelve stations:

- Aweil Rice Scheme
- Bor Town
- Gokmachar
- Halima Research center
- Kuajok Town
- Lokiliri
- Narus Cad

Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency Nine stations out of twelve

Data logger types and data formats:



Data collection and processing systems, including:

- 1. Data Collection: Data from network observations is gathered by recording information directly from observation points by Telephone(Synoptic Stations) and Automated system from Automatic Weather Stations collect, process and transmit to the Cloud.
- 2. Data Aggregation: after collected the Data from Synoptic Stations we are using CLIMSOFT to process the Data in excel formats.
- **3. International Data Sharing**: our data published on the GTS through wis2 network.
- 4. IT Infrastructure: We have Server with CLIMSOFT software for the data task.





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Provide a summary of your observation network:

1. Synoptic stations

- ❖ Ten stations, seven station shared in GTS via Amazon web service, 15 minutes interval
- Local data is been transmitted via cellular Phone.
- Which format (SYNOP)

2. Automatic Weather Stations

- Seven Vaisala stations, Four operational, Adcon not working and One AviMet stations (RME111)
- Seven stations shared on GTS and every 15 minutes.
- Data logger types (wired and wireless) and data formats is CSV

3. Radio-sounding network

Two stations under constructions





Please provide an overview of your current data collection and processing systems, including:

- 1. Data Collection: Data is transmitted using cellular phone.
- 2. Data Aggregation: Data is complied using Forms eg. 101.
- **3. International Data Sharing**: Two system are currently available AMHs and the COROBO.
- **4. IT Infrastructure**: Hardware components Desktop computers and printers Software in use Operating system windows XP and Linux base. Platforms use COROBO and AMHs.





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Provide a summary of your observation network:.

1. Automatic Weather Stations:

- Total number of stations
- 60stations, need to be confirmed due to war.
- Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency
- No stations shared.
- Data logger types and data formats.
- ❖ AUTOMATIC AND MANYALLY LOGGERS ,CSV format.





2. Radio-sounding network:

- Total number of stations
- ❖ BEFORE war it was 1 in Khartoum. Now not available.
- Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency (no stations)
- Data formats used (ASCII, BUFR, or other to specify)
- ❖ ASCII





Please provide an overview of your current data collection and processing systems, including:

1. Data Collection: How is data gathered from your observation network?

Using:

- #.NM10 system provided by VAISALA available now.
- #. CAWSanywhere Provided by Huayun china.
- 1. Data Aggregation: What methods or systems are used to compile and organize the collected data?
- #.Climsoft.

#dms data management system provided by FMI Finland.

- 1. International Data Sharing: How is your data currently published on the GTS? Not published yet.
- 1. IT Infrastructure: What hardware, software, and platforms used for these tasks?
- 2. We have lost all IT Infrastructure in HQ Khartoum.





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Summary of ACMAD observation network:

1. Synoptic stations

The synoptic stations are non-applicable within ACMAD but ACMAD is related to national met services to receive data, it also has a ClimSoft database that includes about 200 synoptic stations data from GTS and from country stations

- * number of stations, number shared in GTS, frequency (non-applicable)
 - ACMAD handles more than 200 stations in the ClimSoft database
- ❖ Which format (SYNOP FM-12 or BUFR), it uses SYNOP format

2. Automatic Weather Stations

- Total number of stations:
 - ACMAD doesn't have any automatic weather stations but it has reception, processing and displaying equipment such as ClimSA and PUMA Station
- Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency (non application)
- ❖ Data logger types and data formats N/A (non applicable)

3. Radio-sounding network (non applicable)

* Total number of stations: Radio-sounding data is received from GTS, ACMAD has no specific radio sounding station

vorld * Number of stations shared on GTS and update frequency (non applicable)

Data formats used (ASCII, BUFR, or other to specify) (non applicable)

Overview of ACMAD'S current data collection and processing systems, including:

1. Data Collection: How is data gathered from your observation network?

ACMAD gathers input data from EUMETCAST Antenna, ClimSA Stations, PUMA Stations, PUMA-

EUMETCAST, Internet, WIS, GTS/SMT; RARS stations; Archives

2. Data Aggregation: What methods or systems are used to compile and organize the collected data?

ACMAD organizes and compiles its data using ClimSoft Database, THREDDS Data server (TDS) and

High Performance Computing (HPC),

The Four RARS stations are contributing to GTS via the South African Weather Service SAWS-Hub.

3. International Data Sharing: How is your data currently published on the GTS?

ACMAD uses GTS/SMT connexion with ASECNA regional hub which is now on stand by with a bandwidth

of 1Mb/s, Data is published via Web and Internet

4. IT Infrastructure: What hardware, software, and platforms used for these tasks?

From these tasks. ACMAD firstly relies on a combination of its platform: PUMA2015-PUMA2025, https://www.acmad.org, WMO,

telecom systems (GTS/WIS), satellite reception hardware(RARS) and software like WRF to manage meteorological and climate data.