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# HISTORY OF WATER CRISIS IN THAILAND AND ITS PREPARATION FOR THE 2015 DROUGHT



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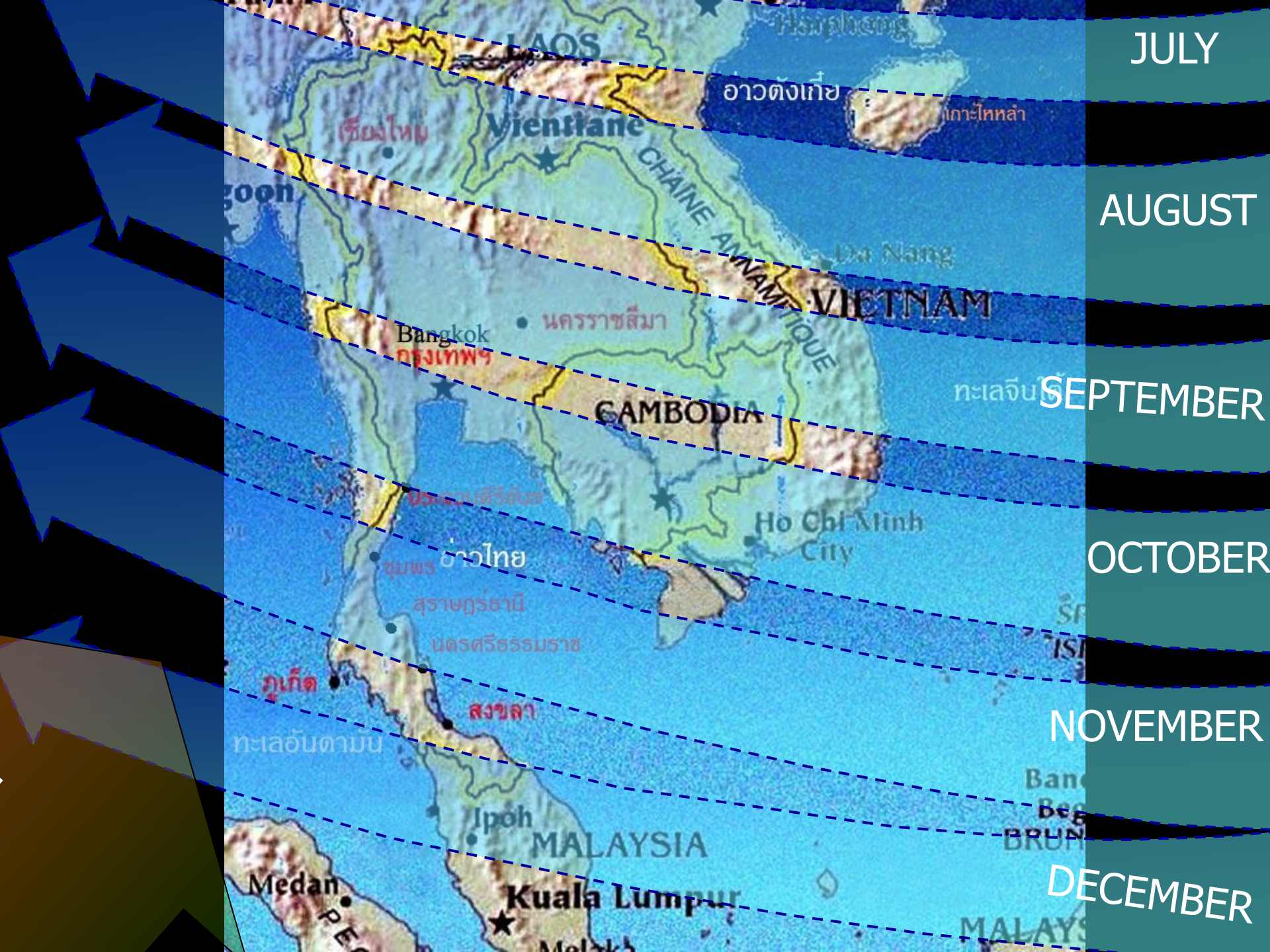
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# HISTOIRE DE LA CRISE DE L'EAU EN THAÏLANDE ET SA PRÉPARATION POUR LA SÉCHERESSE 2015



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JULY

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เชียงใหม่

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กรุงเทพฯ

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อำเภอไทย

สุราษฎร์ธานี

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# Mean Monthly Rainfall in Thailand

**30-year period : 1981-2010**

(mm)





# CHAO PHRAYA BASIN

*Source Rivers :*  
Ping, Wang, Yom  
and Nan  
in Northern  
Thailand



Ping River

Wang River

Yom River

Nan River

Mae-Ngat Dam

Kewkhoma Dam

Maeguang Dam

Kewlom Dam

Sirikit Dam

Kwaenoi Dam

Bhumipol Dam

Sakaekrang River

Tabsalao Dam

C2

Chao Phraya Dam

Pasak River

Pasak Dam

Kraseao Dam

Rama VI Dam

Gulf of Thailand

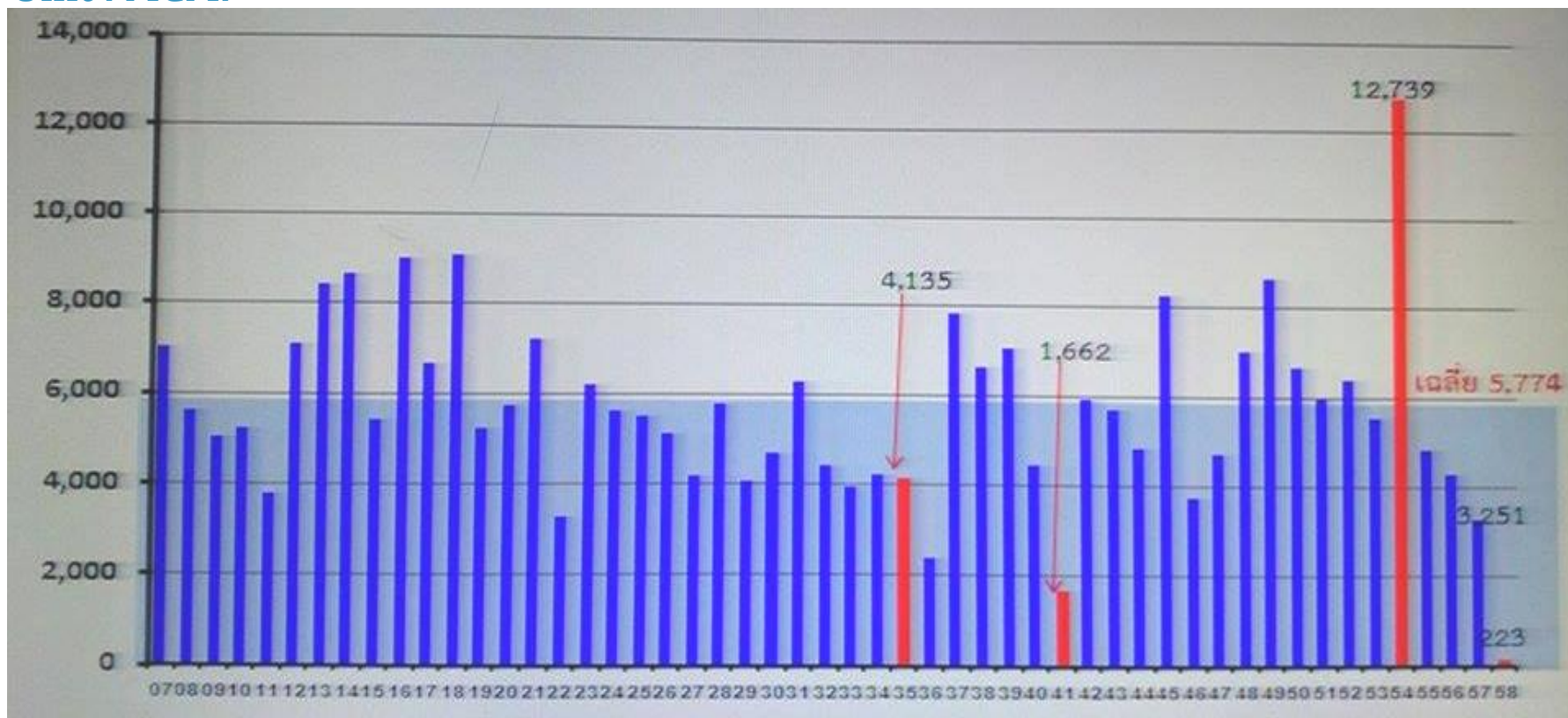


# Yearly Inflows into Bhumibol Dam

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Unit : MCM.



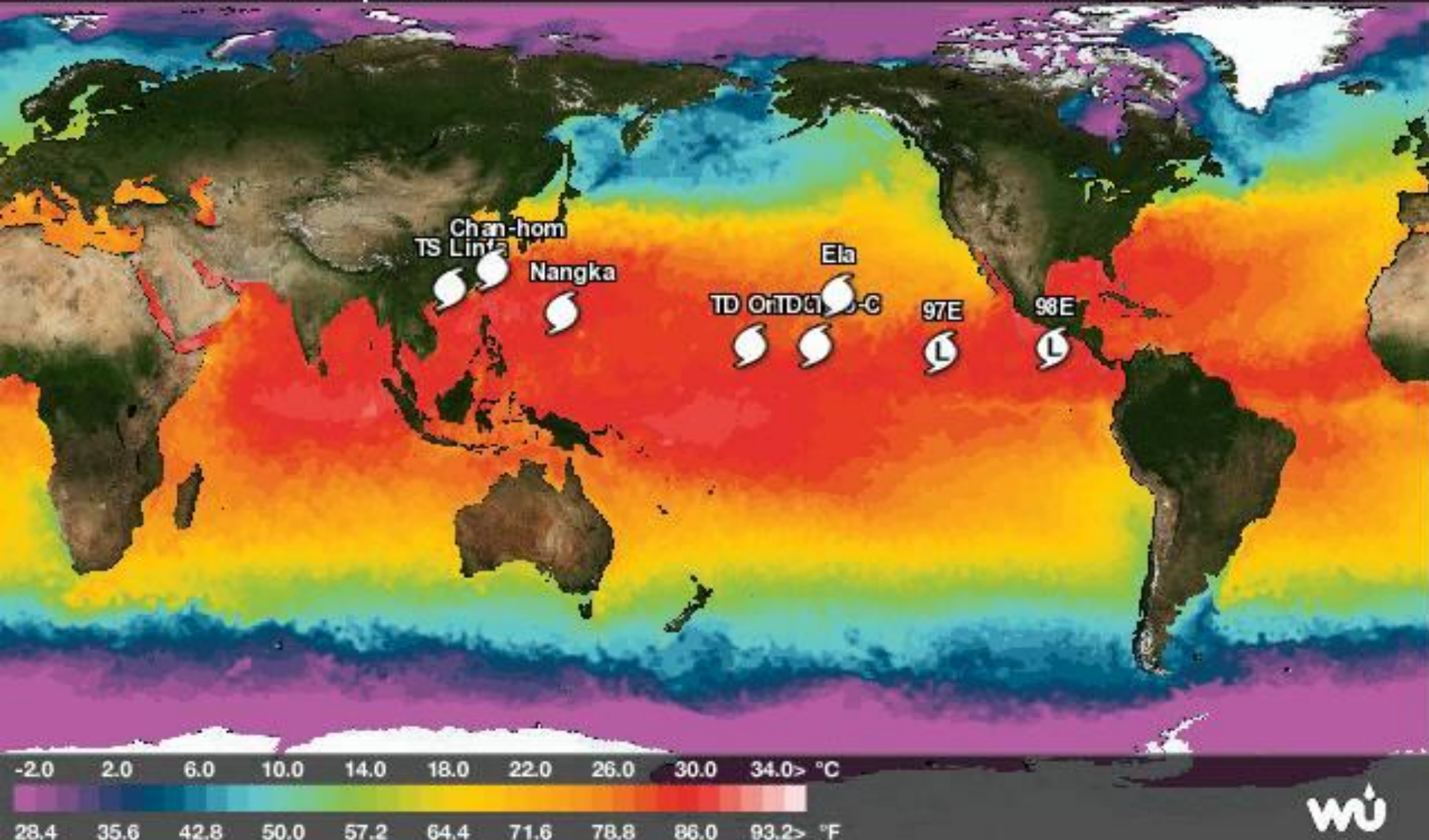
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# Global Sea Surface Temperature

Global Sea Surface Temperature

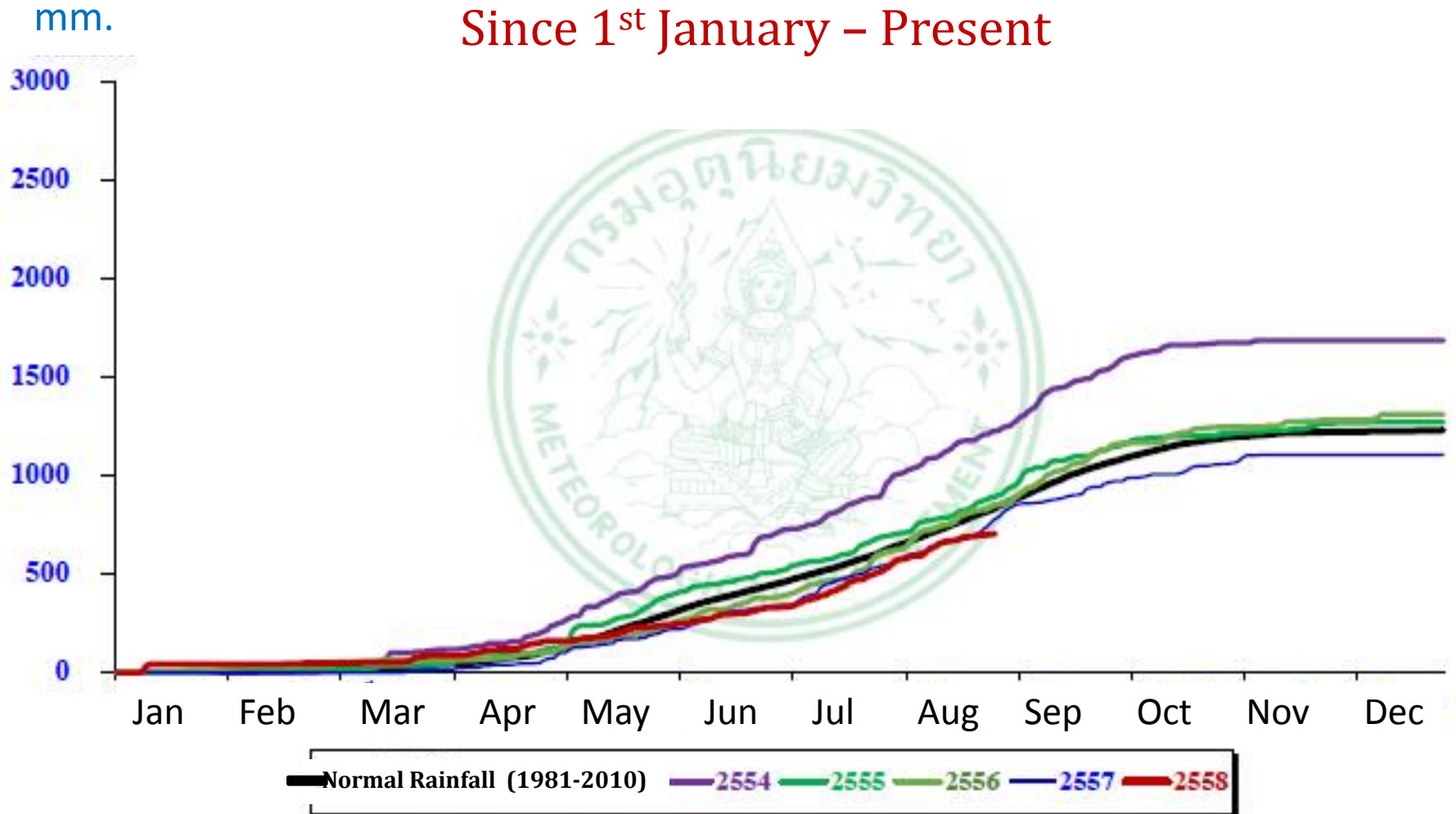
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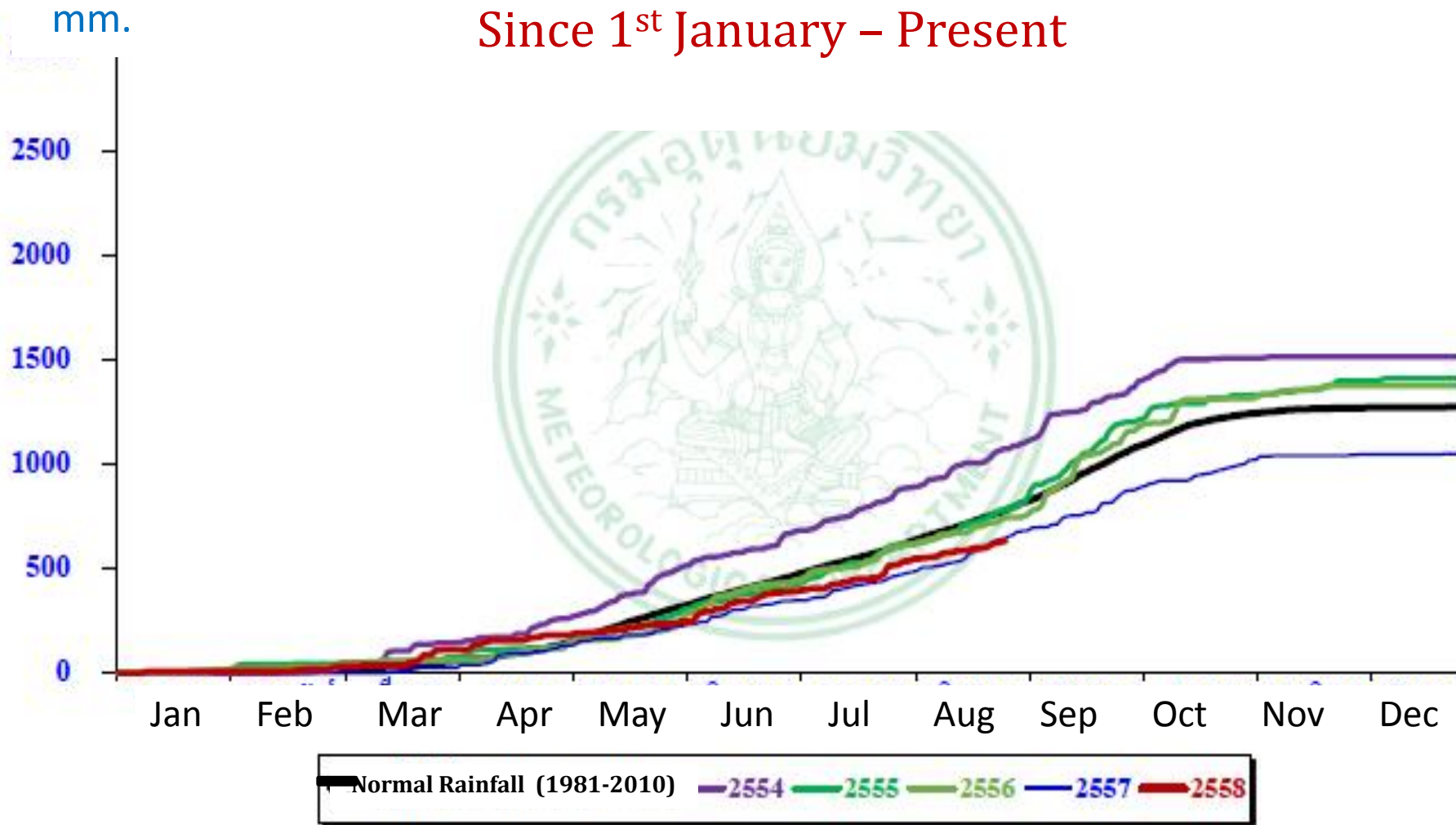
# Accumulated Rainfall in the North Region

Since 1<sup>st</sup> January - Present

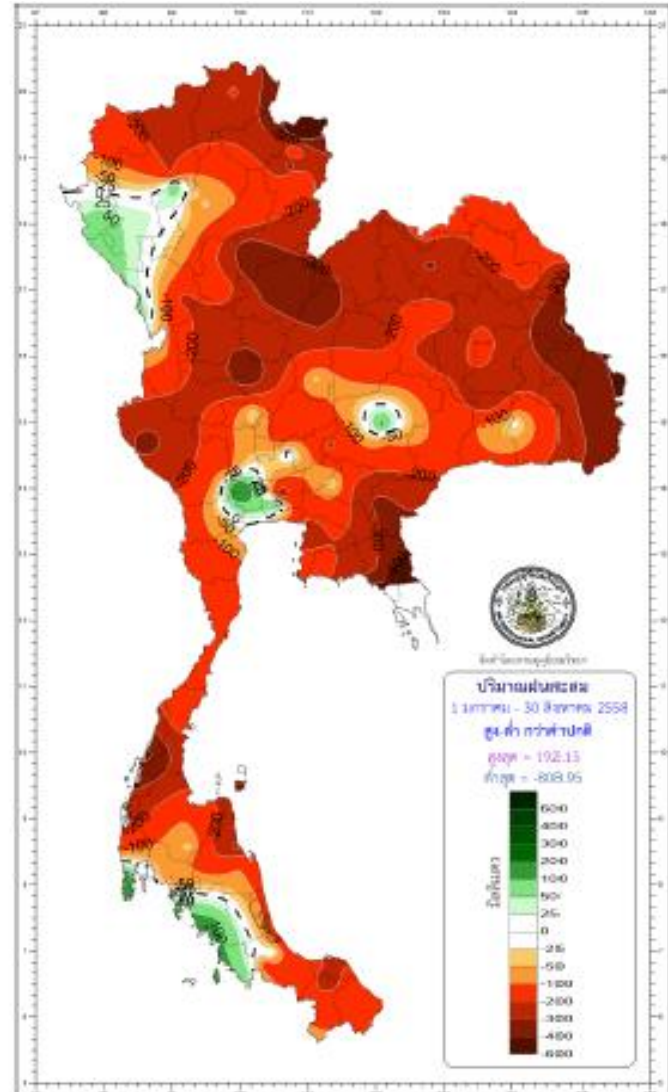
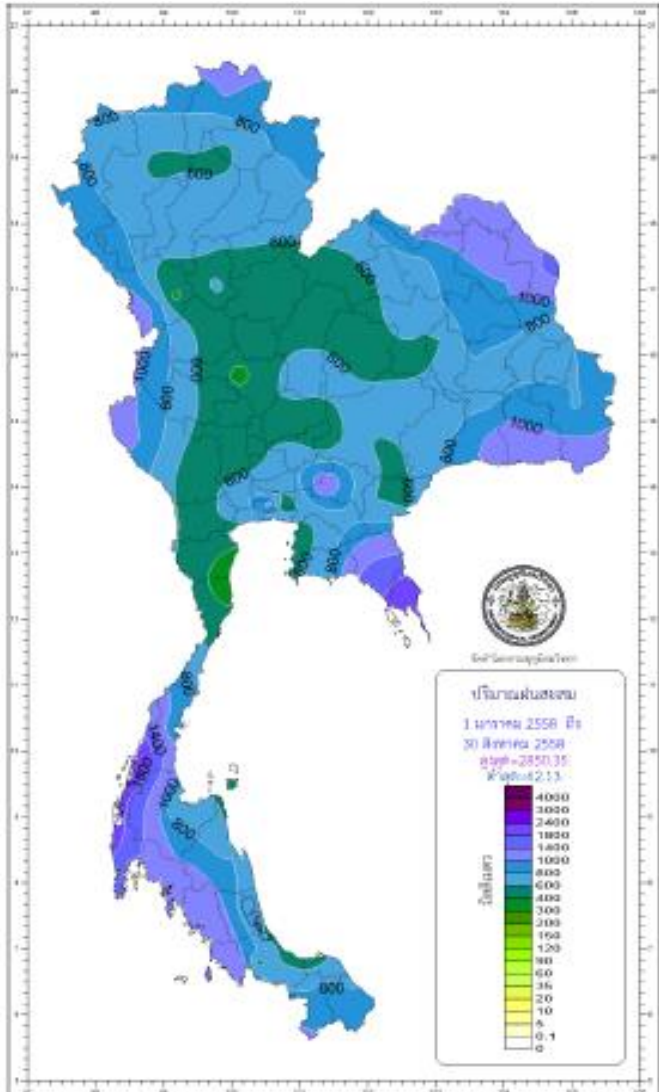


# Accumulated Rainfall in the Central Region

Since 1<sup>st</sup> January - Present



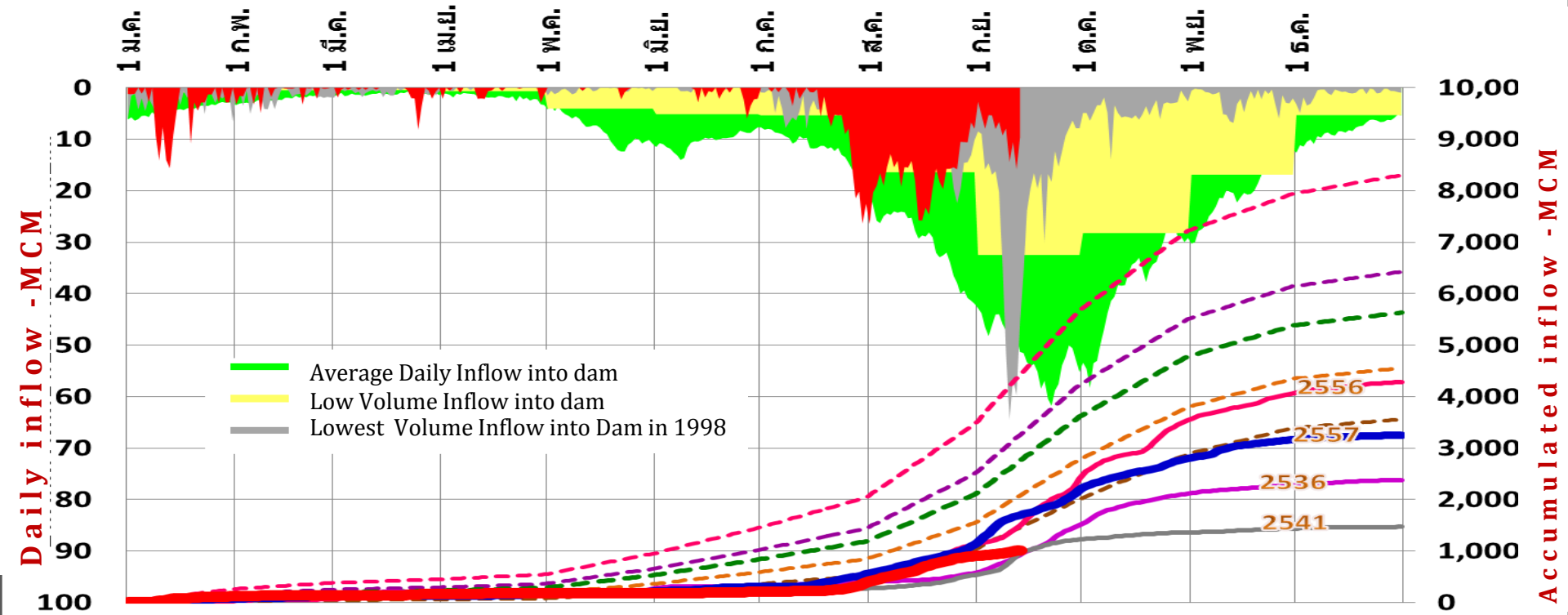
# Rainfall in 2015 compared with the Normal Rainfall in 1981-2010



# CPC/IRI Early-Month Consensus ENSO Forecast Probabilities

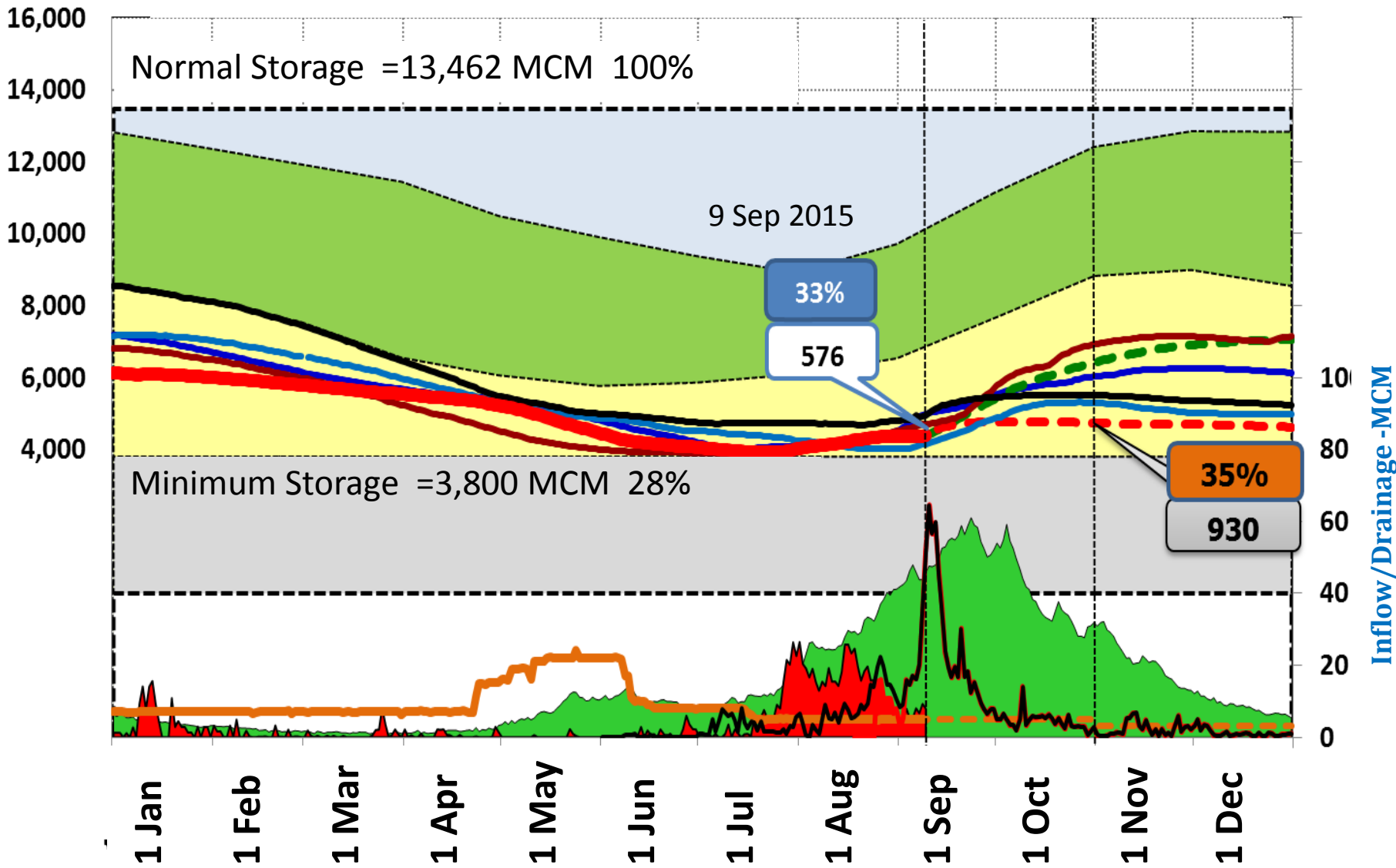
Season	La Niña	Neutral	El Niño
JAS 2015	~0%	~0%	100%
ASO 2015	~0%	1%	99%
SON 2015	~0%	1%	99%
OND 2015	~0%	1%	99%
NDJ 2015	~0%	2%	98%
DJF 2015	~0%	5%	95%
JFM 2016	1%	7%	92%
FMA 2016	2%	13%	85%
MAM 2016	2%	28%	70%

# Inflows into Bhumibol Dam in 2015



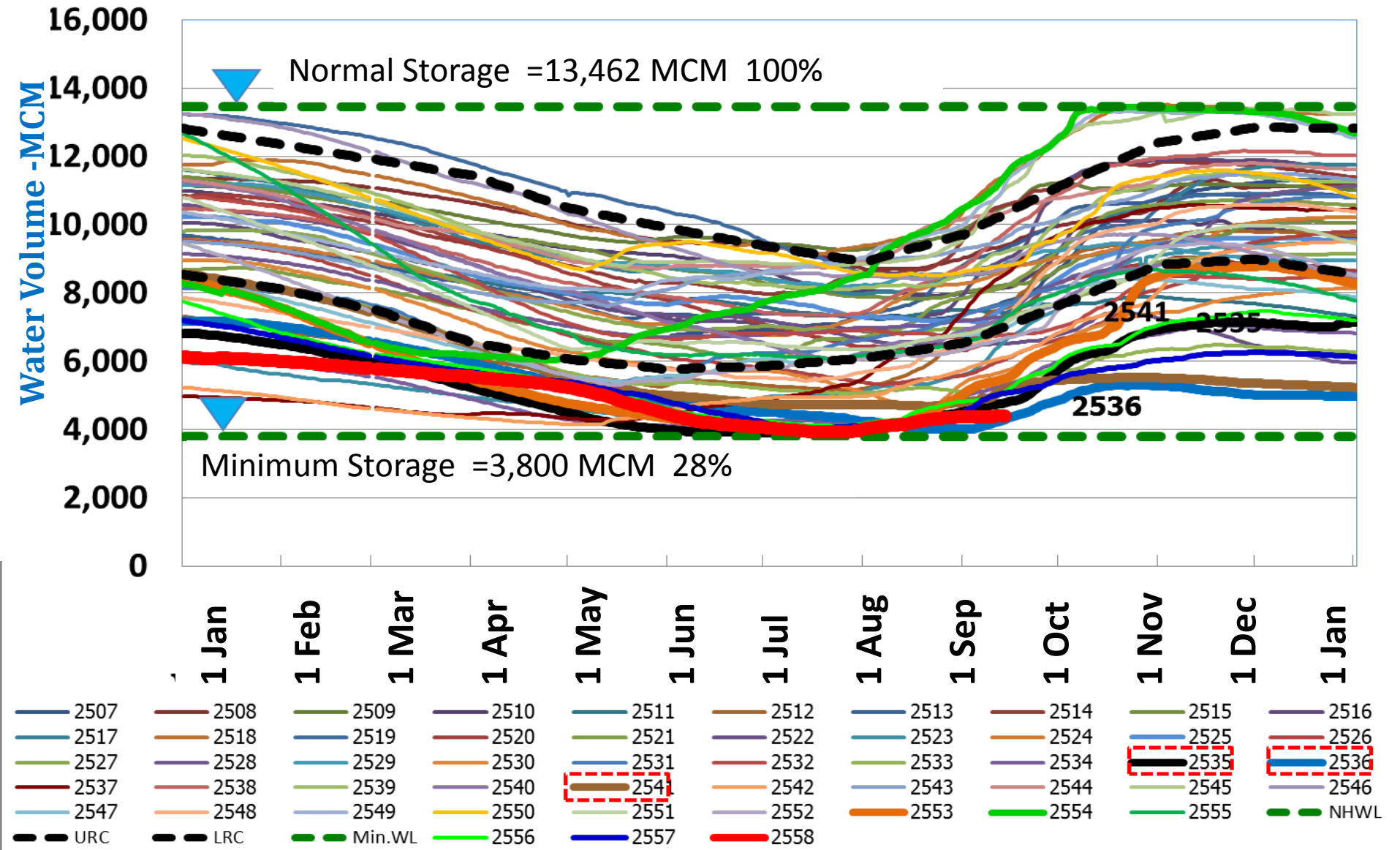
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
<b>ค่าเฉลี่ย</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>922</b>	<b>1,539</b>	<b>1,205</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>5,750</b>
<b>2530</b>	104	30	12	46	43	224	19	893	1,246	979	793	268	4,658
<b>2535</b>	102	25	5	0	1	31	143	611	1,305	1,208	353	351	4,135
<b>2536</b>	151	32	31	0	49	68	73	174	925	612	164	102	2,382
<b>2541</b>	80	51	27	2	13	4	99	262	690	137	69	36	1,470
<b>2557</b>	67	39	14	35	63	90	245	577	1,050	619	361	89	3,250
<b>2558</b>	117	23	24	16	4	27	170	524	109*				1,014*
<b>เทียบกับค่าเฉลี่ย</b>	-14%	-63%	-39%	-70%	-98%	-91%	-54%	-43%	หน่วย %				
<b>เทียบกับปี 41</b>	46%	-54%	-13%	880%	-68%	542%	73%	100%	หน่วย %				
	37	-28	-4	15	-9	23	72	262	หน่วย ล้าน ลบ.ม.				368*

# Water Situation of Bhumibol Dam in 2015



- NHWL
- URC ปรับปรุง ปี 2555
- LRC ปรับปรุง ปี 2555
- Min.WL
- ปริมาณน้ำไหลเข้าเขื่อนเฉลี่ย
- ปริมาณน้ำไหลเข้าเขื่อนปี 2558
- ปริมาณน้ำปี 2557
- คาดการณ์น้ำเฉลี่ย
- คาดการณ์กรณีน้ำน้อยที่สุด
- ปริมาณน้ำปี 2541
- ปริมาณน้ำปี 2536
- ปริมาณน้ำระบายปี 2558
- ปริมาณน้ำปี 2535
- ปริมาณน้ำระบายปี 2558
- ปริมาณน้ำปี 2541
- ปริมาณน้ำระบายปี 2558
- ปริมาณน้ำปี 2541 (น้อยที่สุด)
- ปริมาณน้ำระบายปี 2558
- ปริมาณน้ำระบายปี 2558

# Water Volume in Bhumibol Dam





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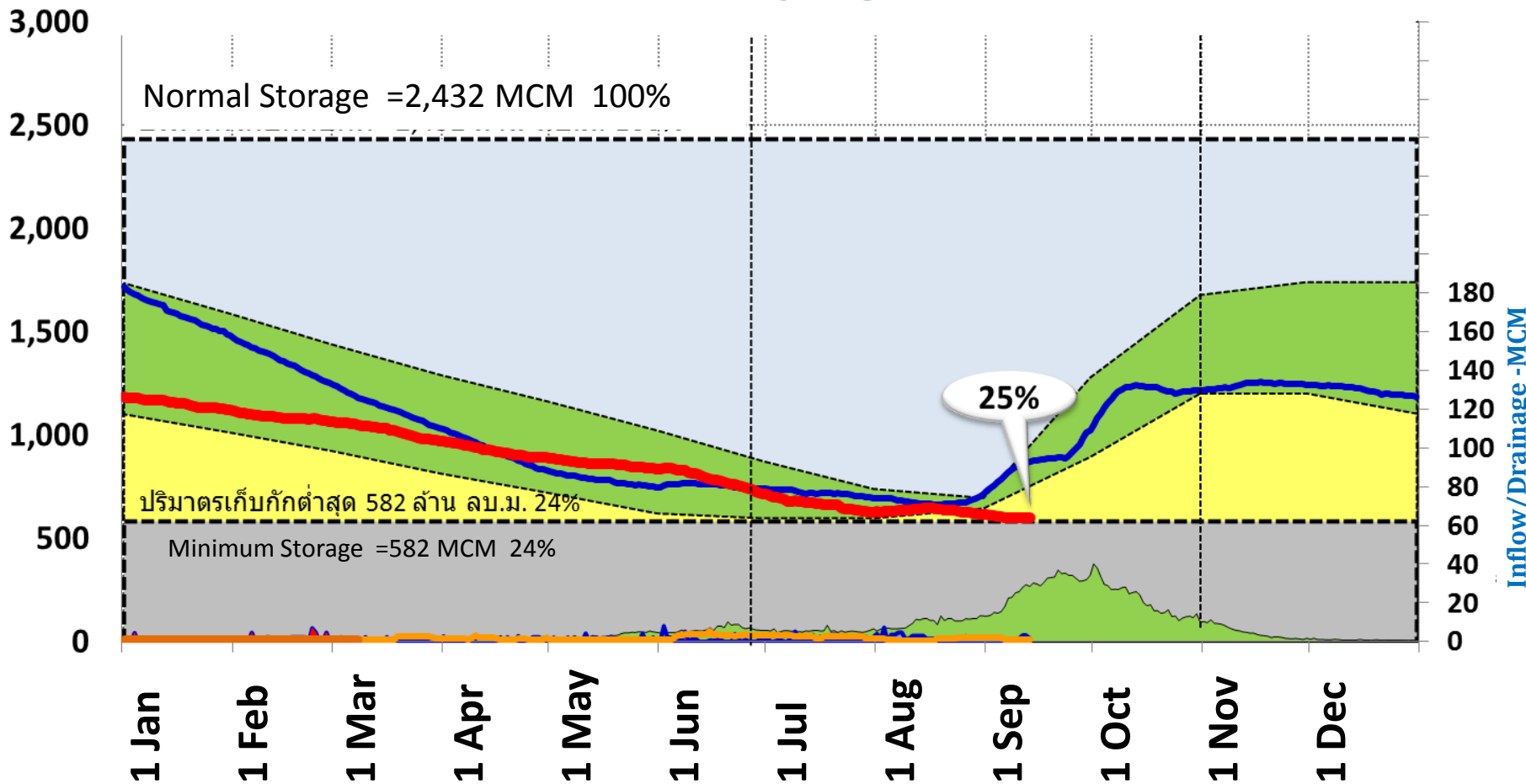
# Water Forecast for Bhumibol and Sirikit Dams

## After rainy season on 31 October 2015

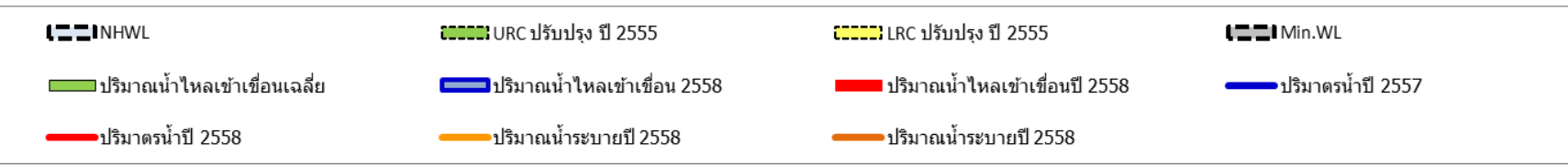
Dry Season (Nov.-Apr.)	Available Amount 1 Nov. MCM	Plan Release MCM	Actual Release MCM	More/Less than Plan	Available Amount 1 May MCM
2536/ <b>37</b>	2,835	2,000 *	1,893	-107	1,721
2541/ <b>42</b>	4,518	3,000 *	2,711	-289	2,682
2547/ <b>48</b>	11,070	7,130	7,231	101	3,340
2548/ <b>49</b>	12,025	6,000	7,152	1,152	6,594
2549/ <b>50</b>	16,099	8,500	9,647	1,147	7,961
2550/ <b>51</b>	12,211	7,000	9,510	2,510	3,966
2551/ <b>52</b>	10,736	8,000	9,139	1,139	3,728
2552/ <b>53</b>	8,720	6,000	7,656	1,656	1,703
2553/ <b>54</b>	9,627	6,800	6,873	73	4,187
2554/ <b>55</b>	16,238	11,865	13,276	1,411	5,129
2555/ <b>56</b>	8,612	6,800	7,192	392	2,418
2556/ <b>57</b>	6,343	3,000	4,792	1,792	2,794
ปี 2557/ <b>58</b>	<b>5,216</b>	<b>1,900*</b>	<b>2,950</b>	<b>1,050</b>	<b>3,351</b>
ปี 2558/59	<b>2,507</b>	Inflow into dam BB = 2541, SK = 2530 Drainage from SK in Sep. =9 MCM/day, Oct. = 5 MCM/day			
	<b>Decrease from a previous forecast 150 MCM</b>				
Average (exclude 2011)	<b>10,066</b>	<b>6,113</b>	<b>7,214</b>	<b>1,101</b>	<b>4,004</b>

# Water Situation of Ubolrat Dam in 2015

Water Volume - MCM



Inflow/Drainage - MCM





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# Mitigation Plan for 2015-2016

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- Adjust cropping schedule for wet season rice
- Delay of not planting paddy area
- No dry season crop of rice
- Minimum release from reservoirs
- Digging of shallow wells
- Artificial rain making



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# Weather modification by artificial rain making



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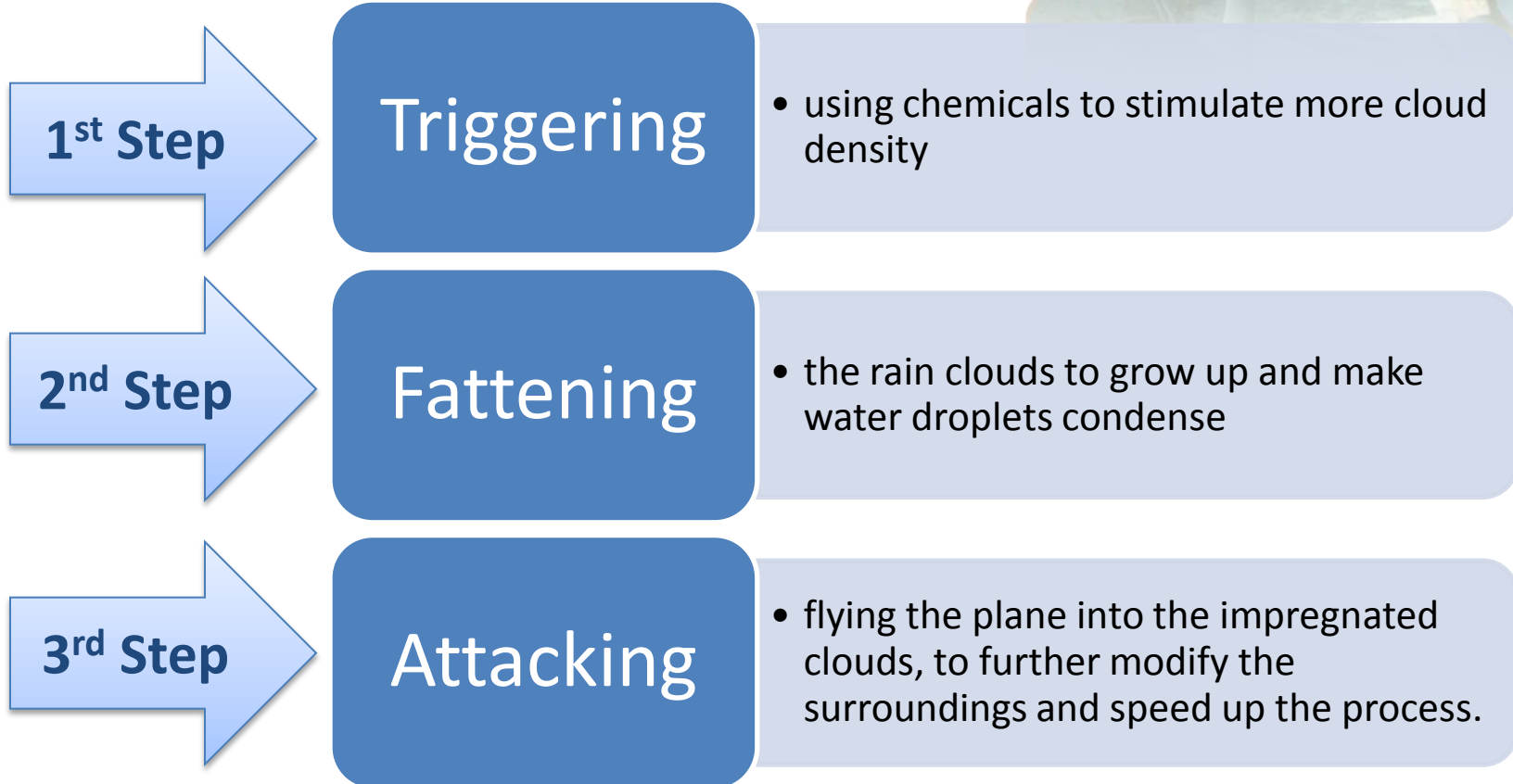
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Process of rainmaking and moving cloud using 'Royal Rainmaking Technology' is described for weather modification by means of chemical seeding comprises steps of "Triggering", to activate cloud formation; "Fattening", to promote cloud growth; "Moving", to move cloud to a designated area, and "Attacking" to initiate rainfall from cloud. Attacking can be done by at least 3 different techniques; by 'Sandwich Seeding Technique' for 'warm cloud', by 'Glaciogenic Seeding Technique' for 'cool cloud', or by 'Super Sandwich Seeding Technique' for mixed phase cloud. 'Enhancing' is for enhancing amount of rainfall and prolonging raining duration including increasing area coverage. Weather modification extends to dispersion of cloud into clear flight path, prevention of hail formation, and inducing rainfall from stratiform clouds onto a valley or any catchment areas. Seeding may be performed inside or outside a cloud or to the top or underneath any isolated cloud or cloud band.

# 3 Steps of Royal Rainmaking Process



# Fattening the scattered clouds to be more density

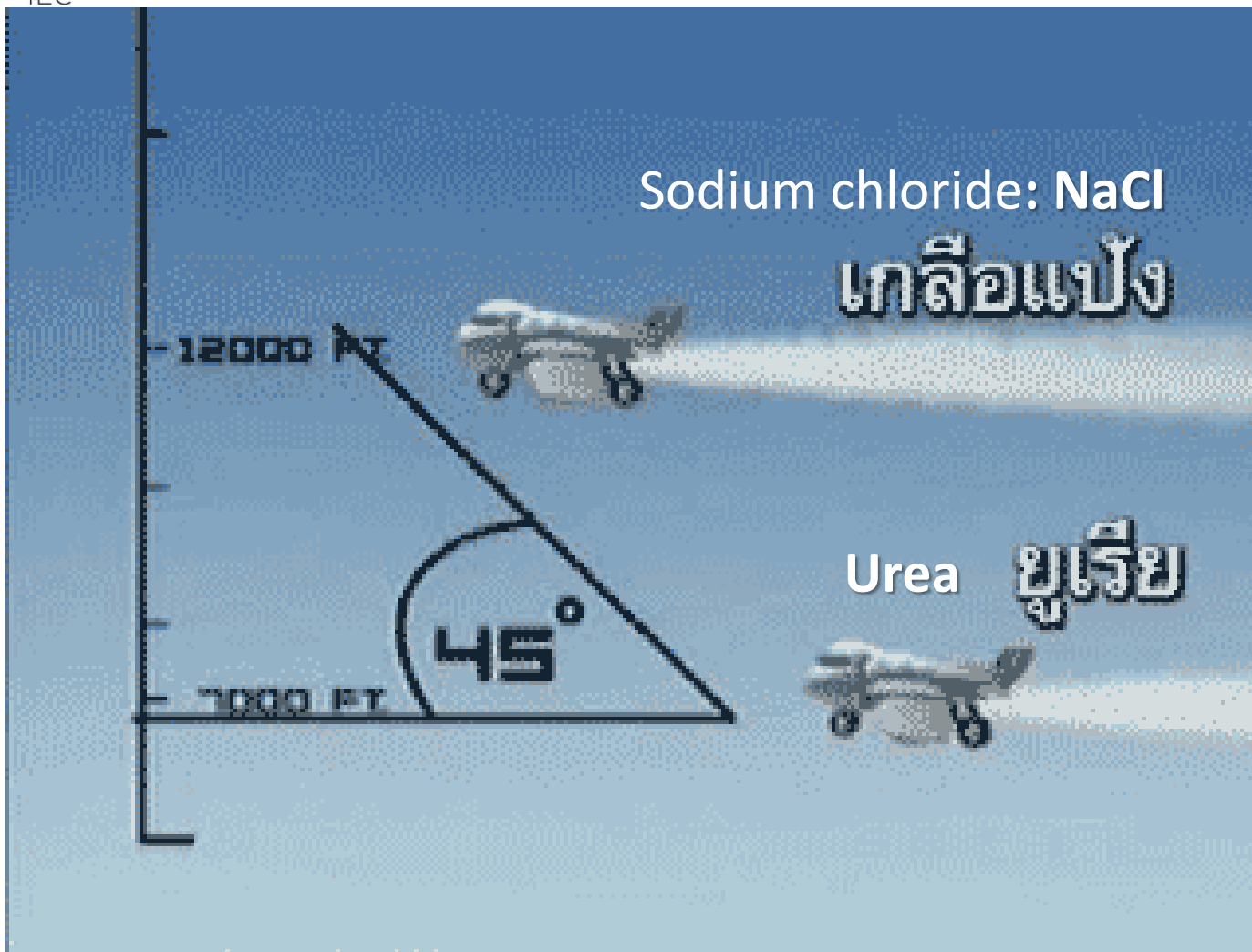




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# Seeding chemicals





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# Attacking Mixed (warm and cool) cloud by cloud seeding technique called 'Super Sandwich Technique'



เครื่องบิน Super King Air (แมมเย็น) Super King Aircraft (Cool cloud)

ปล่อยสารซิลเวอร์ไอโอดีน บริเวณยอดเมฆ  
ระดับความสูงประมาณ 20,000 ฟุต

Seeding silver iodides at the top clouds  
of the high level about 20,000 ft.



Casa aircraft (Warm cloud)

เครื่องบิน Casa (แมมอุ่น)

ปล่อยสารเคมีโซเดียมคลอไรด์ บริเวณไหล่เมฆ  
ระดับความสูงไม่เกิน 10,000 ฟุต

Seeding Sodium chloride at shoulder clouds  
of the high level not over 10,000 ft.



Caravan aircraft (Warm cloud)

เครื่องบิน Caravan (แมมอุ่น)

ปล่อยสารเคมียูเรีย ที่ฐานเมฆ

Seeding urea at the cloud base



ปล่อยสารเคมีซูเปอร์ไดออกไซด์ (ผ่านถังหึ่ง) ที่ฐานเมฆ

Seeding dry ice at the cloud base



เครื่องบิน Casa (แมมอุ่น)

Casa aircraft (Warm cloud)



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# Summary of rain making operation for 2015

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- **Operation in 11 provinces.**
- **More than 642 flights operation (1,042 hrs) till beginning of rainy season.**
- **Estimate increase in inflow into reservoirs 1,024 mcm.**