

GEO-KOMPSAT-2A transition to operation

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The Geo-KOMPSAT-2A (located in 128.2°E) geostationary meteorological satellite managed by the Korea Meteorological Administration (KMA) began operation at 00 UTC on 25 July 2019, continuing the COMS (Communication, Ocean and Meteorological Satellite) mission of strengthening Korea's capability to monitor the atmospheric environment over the Asia-Pacific region. Geo-KOMPSAT-2A data and images are now available through the NMSC webpage (<http://nmsc.kma.go.kr/enhome/html/main/main.do>).

The Geo-KOMPSAT-2A was launched on 4 December 2018 from the Guiana Space Center in South American at 2037 UTC. During the in-orbit test period, the capability with multi-band and high temporal and spatial resolution was verified. The KMA expects that the Geo-KOMPSAT-2A will contribute to monitor weather-related disasters in its early stages over the Asia-Pacific region, and will be also utilized in various fields such as climate change monitoring, hydrology and so on.

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