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TROPICAL CYCLONE PRELIMINARY REPORT

Typhoon OBET
SAUDEL (2618)

18 August to
03 September 2026

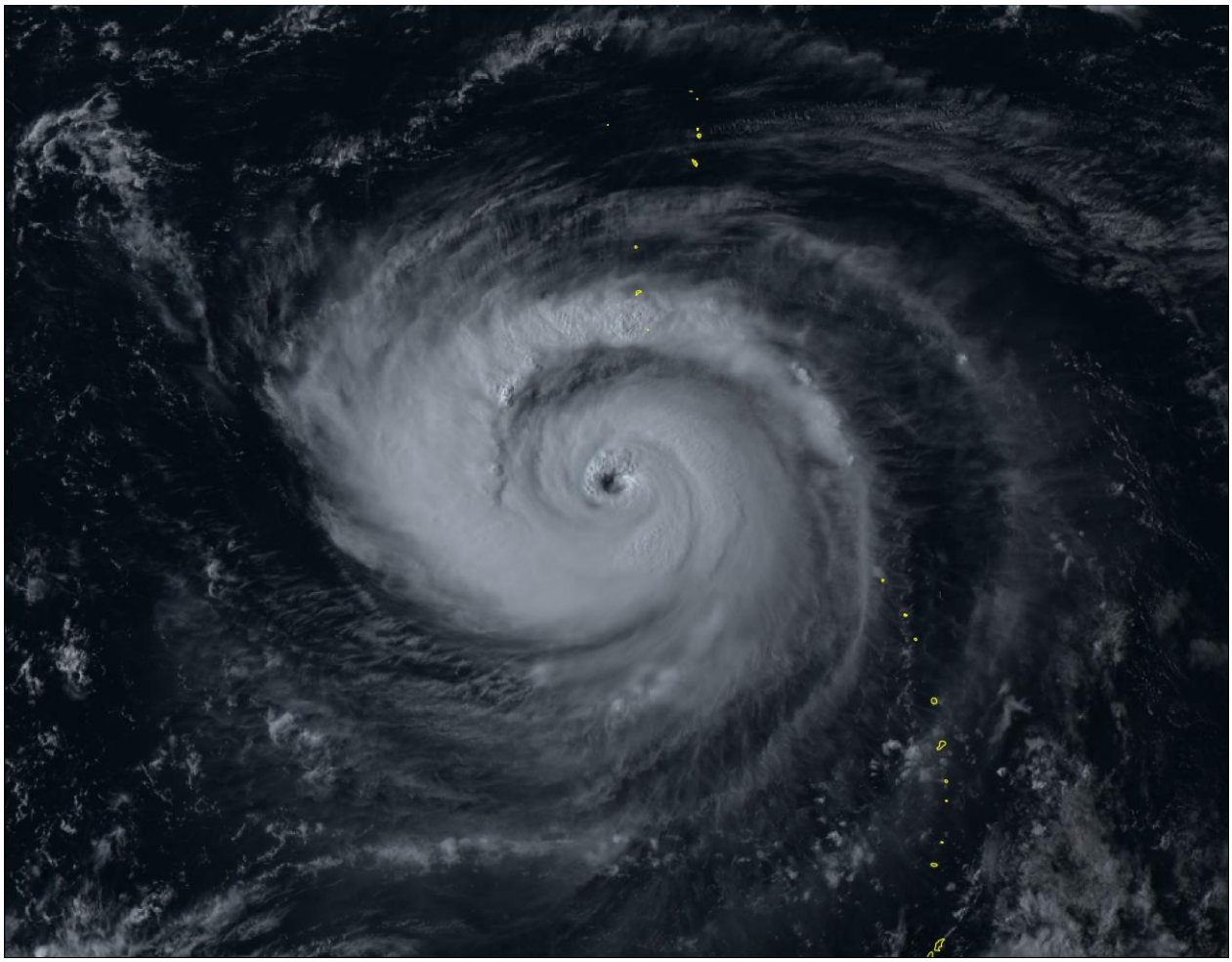

Fig. 1 | Himawari-9 AHI infrared image of Typhoon OBET while at its peak intensity at 0600 UTC on 23 August 2026. The imagery data of Himawari-9 is courtesy of the Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA).

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Summary of Meteorological History

Based on PAGASA preliminary best track[1] position and intensities

First tracked as a low pressure area	1800 UTC, 07 August 2026 Over the Western North Pacific waters east of the Marshall Islands
Developed into a tropical cyclone	Initial development: 0000 UTC, 18 August 2026 3,210 km East of Northeastern Mindanao or over the Western North Pacific near Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia (8.1°N, 155.5°E) Redevelopment: 0000 UTC, 31 August 2026 1,215 km West of Extreme Northern Luzon or in the vicinity of Guangdong Province, China (20.5°N, 110.3°E)
Weakened into a remnant low or transitioned into a post-tropical low	Initial weakening: 0000 UT, 30 August 2026 1,105 km West Northwest of Extreme Northern Luzon or in the vicinity of Guangxi, China (24.4°N, 111.8°E) Final weakening: 1200 UTC, 03 September 2026 785 km Northwest of Itbayat, Batanes or in the vicinity of Guangdong Province, China (24.6°N, 115.4°E)
Peak intensity (lifetime[2])	90 kt (165 km/h), 945 hPa, Typhoon 0000 UTC, 23 August 2026
Period of occurrence (lifetime)	15 days and 12 hours
Entered the PAR region (as tropical cyclone)	0520 UTC, 24 August 2026
Exited the PAR region (as tropical cyclone)	1330 UTC, 24 August 2026
Peak intensity (within the PAR)	85 kt (155 km/h), 950 hPa, Typhoon 0600 UTC, 24 August 2026
Period of occurrence (within the PAR)	8.2 hours
Observed landfall/s in the Philippines	None

[1] With preliminary best track as reference, the information provided in this report may be different from those reported during the warning period of the subject tropical cyclone.
[2] Lifetime is the period from the development into a tropical depression to its weakening into a remnant low or its transitioning into a post-tropical low.

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Extremes of Surface Meteorological Observations

Based on reports from the PAGASA's network of land-based observing stations[3]

Table 1 | Highest TC-related rainfall[4] (01 to 02 September 2026) over land

Location of observing station	Rainfall (mm)
La Trinidad, Benguet (AGROMET)	254.5
Itogon, Benguet (ARG)	236.0
Baguio City (SYNOP)	183.6
La Trinidad, Benguet (AWS)	182.0
Floridablanca, Pampanga (ARG)	137.5

Table 2 | Highest 24-hour rainfall over land.

Location of observing station	Rainfall (mm)	Date
La Trinidad, Benguet (AGROMET)	231.3	02 September 2026
Itogon, Benguet (ARG)	205.0	02 September 2026
La Trinidad, Benguet (AWS)	170.0	02 September 2026
Baguio City (SYNOP)	168.8	02 September 2026
Abucay, Bataan (SYNOP)	125.6	02 September 2026

[3] This network consists of all surface synoptic stations (SYNOP), agricultural meteorological stations (AGROMET), automatic weather stations (AWS), automatic rain gauges (ARG), and hydrometeorological stations (HYDRO).
[4] Also called storm-duration rainfall, it refers to the total accumulated rainfall during meteorological days for which the 5° radial buffer drawn from the tropical cyclone (TC) best track encompasses at least one portion of the Philippine land area.

Summary of Tropical Cyclone Product Issuances

Issued by the Weather Division, DOST-PAGASA

Tropical Cyclone Products:

- Tropical Cyclone Advisories:
  - First issuance: 11:00 PM, 22 August 2026
  - Last issuance: 5:00 PM, 24 August 2026
  - Total issued: 5
- Tropical Cyclone Bulletins:
  - First issuance: 5:00 PM, 24 August 2026
  - Last issuance: 11:00 PM, 24 August 2026
  - Total issued: 2
- Tropical Cyclone Warnings for Shipping:
  - First issuance: 5:00 PM, 24 August 2026
  - Last issuance: 11:00 PM, 24 August 2026
  - Total issued: 2
- WC SIGMET: None issued

Tropical Cyclone Wind Signals:

- Highest level of wind signal hoisted: None
- Number of provinces where wind signals had been hoisted: None
- Timeline of hoisting/lifting of wind signals: None

Storm Surge Warnings:

- Highest level of storm surge warning hoisted: None
- Number of provinces where storm surge warnings had been hoisted: None
- Timeline of hoisting/lifting of storm surge warnings: None

Other Pertinent Information

- The international name “SAUDEL” (meaning: Chief Soudelor’s trusted guard or soldier) was contributed by the Federated States of Micronesia.

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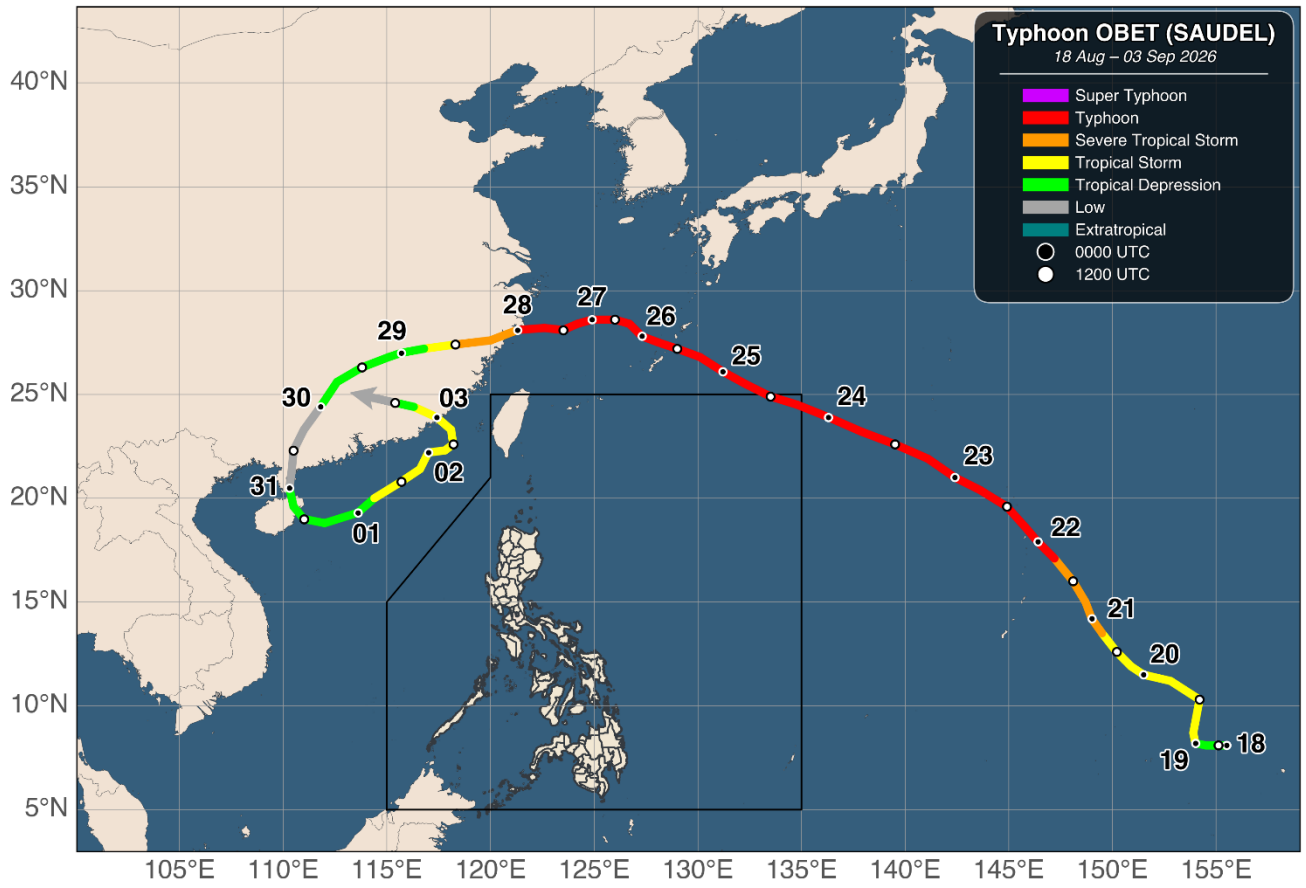

Fig. 2 | Preliminary best track positions and intensities (as categories) of Typhoon OBET. Line color indicates the category of tropical cyclone. Shaded circles with date labels indicate 00 UTC positions while open circles indicate 12 UTC positions.

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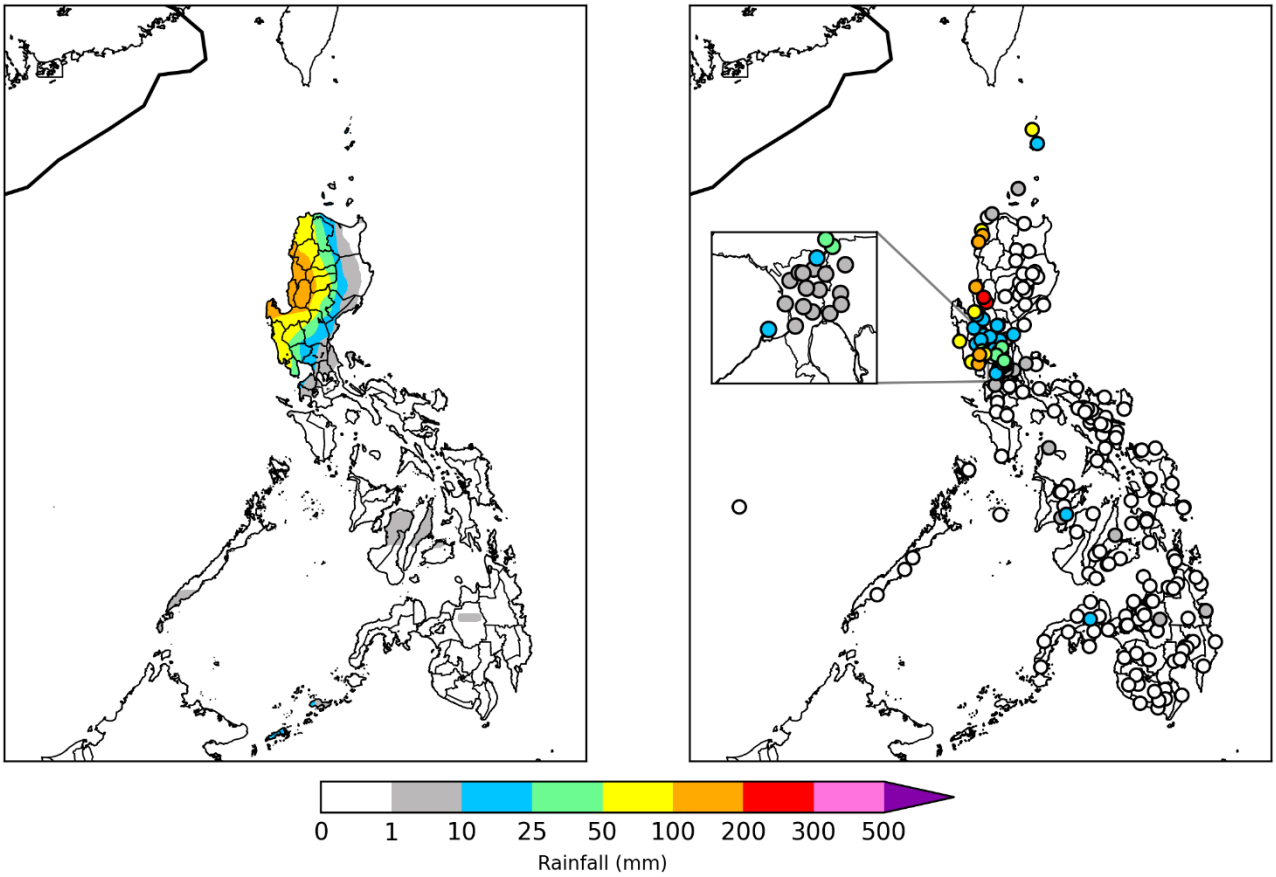

Fig. 3 | Nationwide satellite-derived estimates and corresponding gauge observations from PAGASA surface-based observation stations of accumulated rainfall for the period of 01 to 02 September 2026. The preliminary best track is shown as a thick black line.

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