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Characteristics of 2019 summer monsoon in East Asia

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3-month mean surface temperatures for Jun-Aug

Warmer than normal: Japan, Korea, parts of China, and Mongolia Cooler than normal: parts of China



Temperature anomalies for Jun-Aug are based on CLIMAT reports. Normals are the 30-year average during the period from 1981 to 2010.

3-month precipitation amounts for Jun-Aug

Wetter than normal: from Japan to southern China,

in and around northeastern and northern China

Drier than normal: Korea, in and around central and western China



Temp. and Precip. in two periods for 2019 summer

The pattern of the temp. anomaly and precip. ratio against the normal was different between the period from early June to late July and that from late July to mid-August.



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Precipitation for early June to late July 2019



- side of eastern Japan to southern China, where precip. normals are relatively high.
- On the other hand, the precipitation total were lower than normal from northern Japan to eastern China.
- Estimating from SYNOP reports, the precipitation amount for the period averaged in the former area was the highest¹⁰⁰ since 1996. (right fig.)



Baiu(梅雨 - rainy period) onset/withdrawal in Japan 2019 Latest records of onset/withdrawal (no Baiu) 🔩 were broken in several areas. Hokkaido (northern part) W: 31 Jul (+3) Northern Japan' O: 15 Jun (+1) W: 24 Jul (0) (southern part) O:7 Jun (-5) Tohoku W: 24 Jul (+3) W: 25 Jul (0) Hokuriku O : 27 Jun (+20) O:7 Jun (-5) W: 25 Jul (+4) Chuqoku 💀 W: 24 Jul (+3) O: 26 Jun (+19) Kanto / Koshin O:7 Jun (-1) Eastern Japan W: 25 Jul (+6) W: 24 Jul (+3) Kyushu (North Shikoku O: 26 Jun (+21) O:7 Jun (-1) Western Japan W: 25 Jul (+7) O: 26 Jun (+21) W: 10 Jul (+17) Kyushu (South) W: 24 Jul (+10) O: 16 May (+7) and Amami O: 31 May (0) Okinawa W: 13 Jul (+14) O: 14 May (+3) Okinawa and Amami Red: Latest record broken since 1951

(Values in parenthesis shows the days later than normal date of onset/withdrawal.)

- In Japan, the Baiu (a cloudy and rainy period of early summer in Japan) onsets from western Japan to the Okinawa region were almost later than normal.
- The Baiu withdrawals from eastern Japan to the Okinawa region were also almost later than normal.

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SST in tropical regions and several Indices in JJA 2019

- El Niño event ended in MAM. ENSO-neutral conditions persisted in JJA.
- The area-averaged SST in the tropical Indian Ocean (IOBW) was above normal in JJA.
- The SST in southeastern part of the tropical Indian Ocean was below normal in JJA.



Definition of Indices

NINO.3: SST anomaly averaged over 150W-90W, 5N-5S
IOBW: SST anomaly averaged over 40E-100E, 20N-20S (IO basin wide)
CP-ENSO: based on Ashok et al. (2007)
IOD: difference of two area-averaged SST anomalies as follows: (50-70E, 10N-10S) – (90-110E, Eq-10S)



Asian Monsoon

- On average, Asian monsoon (tropical regions) activity was weaker than normal from June to July in association with the El Niño event that ended in MAM and near normal in August.
- The active and suppressed phase of MJO propagated eastward significantly in JJA.



Subtropical jet stream in eastern part of East Asia

The subtropical jet stream shifted southward until mid-July likely in association with the suppressed Asian monsoon (tropical regions) activity, and shifted northward from late July to mid-August.



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Rossby-wave trains in June

- Rossby-wave trains along jet stream were seen clearly and positions of trough/ride were almost fixed in and around mid-June.
- The subtropical jet stream shifted southward from its normal position in the eastern part of East Asia.

80N color : OLR anomaly (W/m^2) 60N contour: stream function anomaly at 200hPa 40N $(10^{6} \text{m}^{2}/\text{s})$ 20N vector : wave activity flux (m^2/s^2) EQ PSI200, OLR anomaly 20S 32 40 (W/m²) vect min=5 20 -40 -32 -24 -16 -8 1JUN2019 6JUN2019 shaded: meridional wind 11JUN2019 anomaly at 200hPa (7-day averaged, 16JUN2019 averaged over 20-40N) 21JUN2019 26JUN2019 Time-latitude cross sections of 200hPa meridional wind time 1JUL2019 6ÓW 6ÔE 180 120W 120E (m/s)-27.5 -22.5 -17.5 -12.5 -7.5 -2.5 2.5 7.5 12.5 17.5 22.5 27.5

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Suppressed activity of Indian monsoon in June

- Regression of OLR onto SST in Indian Ocean (IOBW) in June from 1979 to 2018 show that <u>suppressed convective activities over India in June</u> seems to have associations with the warmer-than-normal SST over Indian Ocean (IOBW), which is consistent with the SST and OLR analysis data in 2019.
- Whereas the results of regressions of OLR onto IOD or CP-ENSO indices are not so consistent with observations.



Linear Baroclinic Model (LBM) experiment in June

- We ran Linear Baroclinic Model (LBM, Watanabe and Kimoto 2000) with observed diabatic heat forcings over India in June 2019.
- The result shows that suppressed Indian monsoon activity possibly contributed to Rossby wave trains over East Asia in June 2019.



Summary

➤The pattern of the temperature anomaly and precipitation ratio to the normal for 2019 summer was uneven, different between the period from early June to late July and that from late July to mid-August.

➢In June, suppressed Indian monsoon activity possibly contributed to the shifted subtropical jet stream in the eastern part of East Asia.

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