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Cloud Phase **Distinction RGB**

For convective Initiation
On Tropical Region



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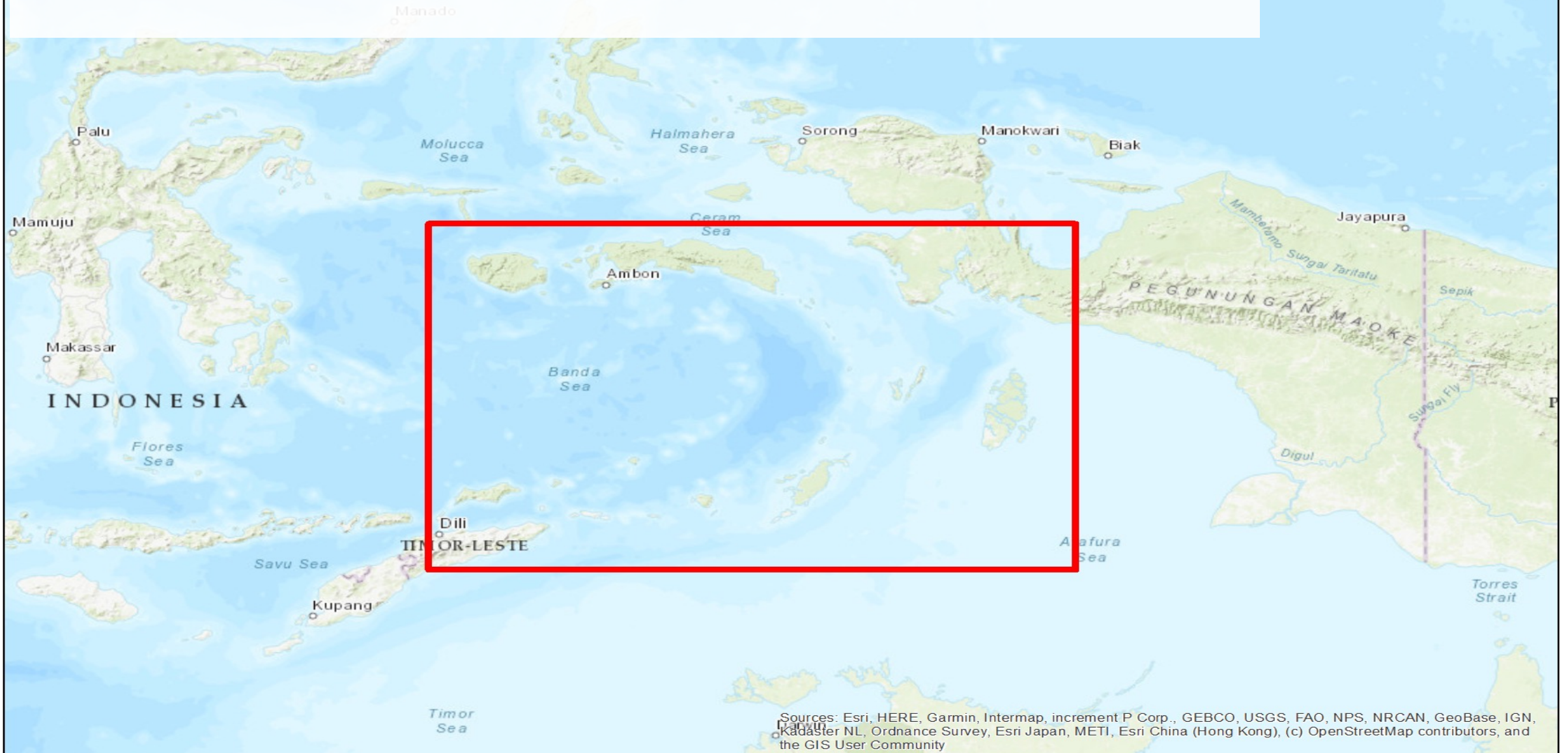




Background

- Limitation to observe the atmosphere especially on East Indonesia region
- The lack on radar and surface observation system
- Many small islands with local characteristic that can impact to the weather
- Forecaster needs the signal of convective initiation and storm growth. This useful for make early warning

Eastern Indonesia



Sources: Esri, HERE, Garmin, Intermap, increment P Corp., GEBCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Kadaster NL, Ordnance Survey, Esri Japan, METI, Esri China (Hong Kong), (c) OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS User Community

About the RGB Product

Cloud Phase Distinction

Main application:
Analysis of **thickness**,
cloud **top height** and
cloud **phases**.

Limitations: Daytime only.

Advantages: Facilitation of
determination between high-
level **ice clouds** and **low-level
water**, and detail to describe
of cloud phases.

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Cloud Phase Distinction RGB

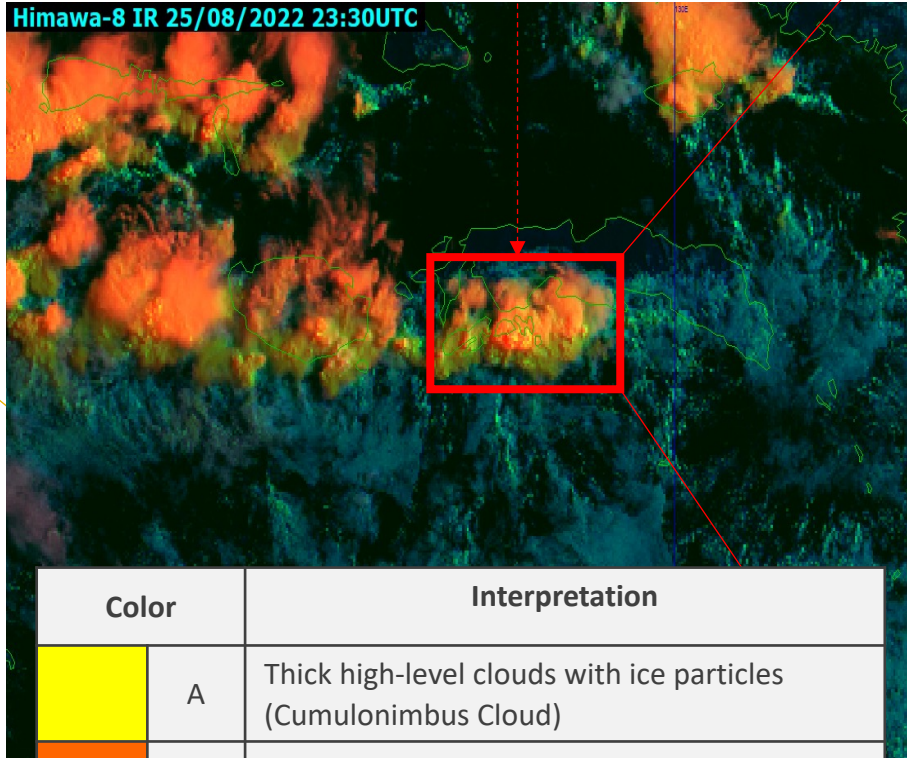
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Red	B13(IR-10.4)	219.619	280.6707	1.0	Cloud top temperature	Warm clouds	Cold Clouds
Green	B03(VS-0.64)	-0.0346	0.7792	1.0	Cloud optical thickness	Thin clouds	Thick clouds snow-covered land sea ice
Blue	B05(N2-1.6)	0.0119	0.5932	1.0	Cloud phase snow and ice	Ice clouds	Water clouds





Color interpretation for
Cloud Phase Distinction RGB

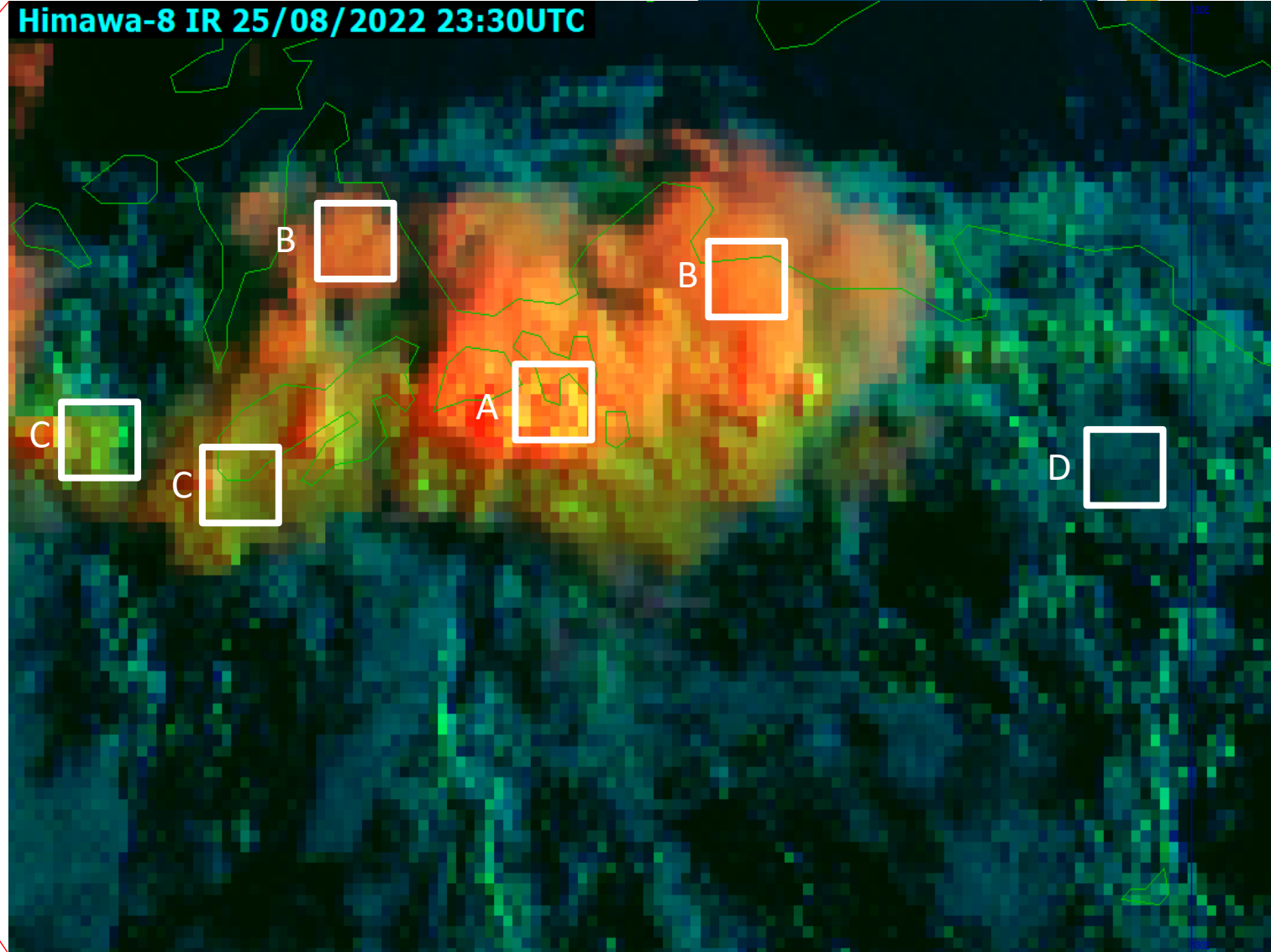
Color	Interpretation
Yellow	Thick high-level clouds with ice particles (Cumulonimbus Cloud)
Orange	Thin high-level clouds with ice particles
Green	Thick low-level ice clouds
Blue	Thick low-level water clouds

RGB Analysis

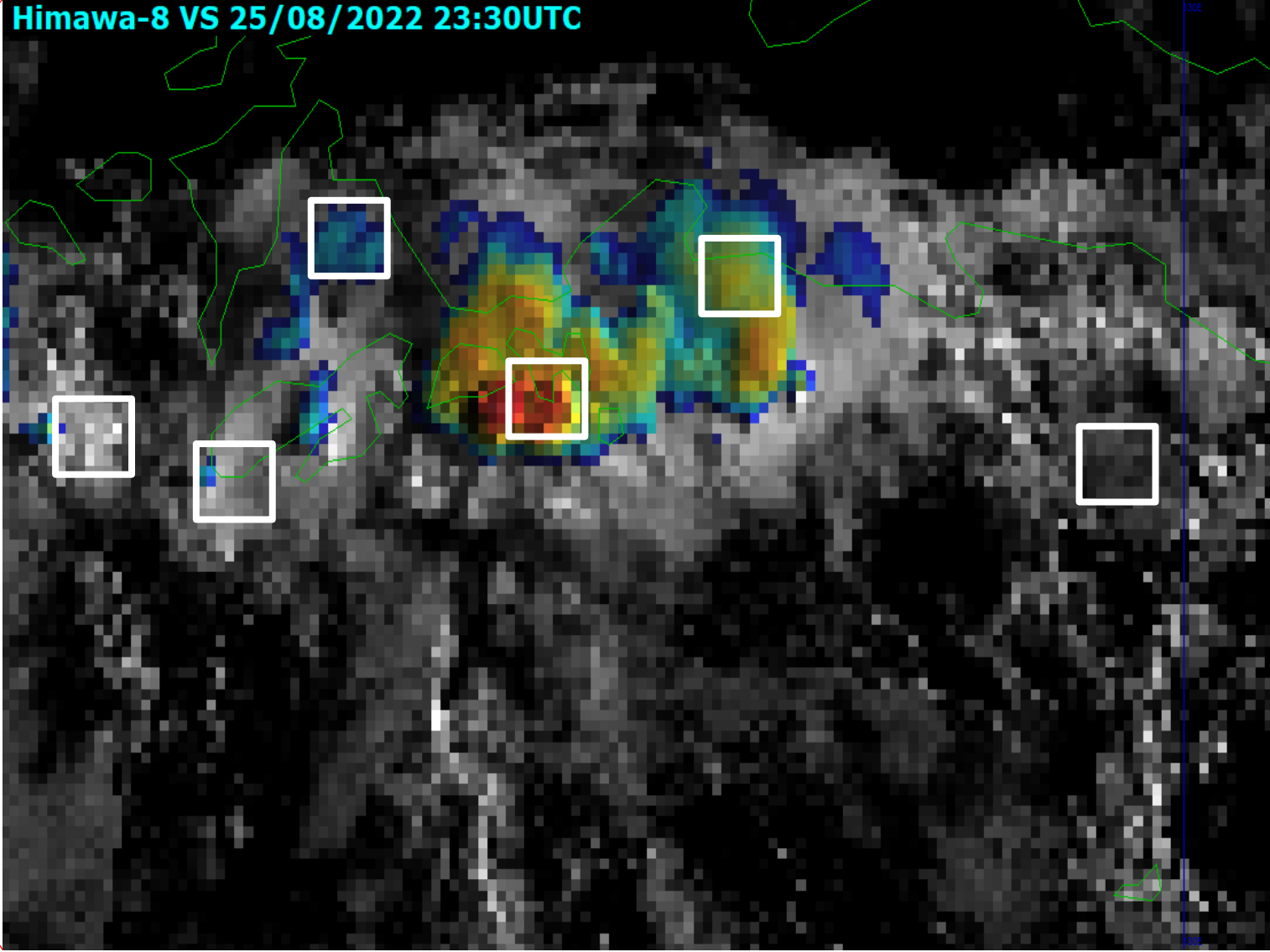
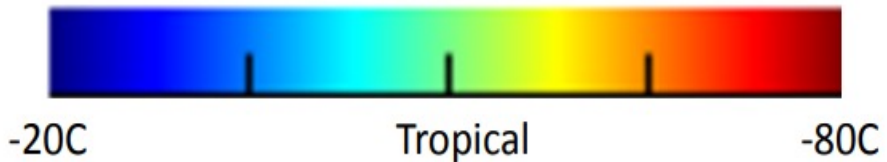
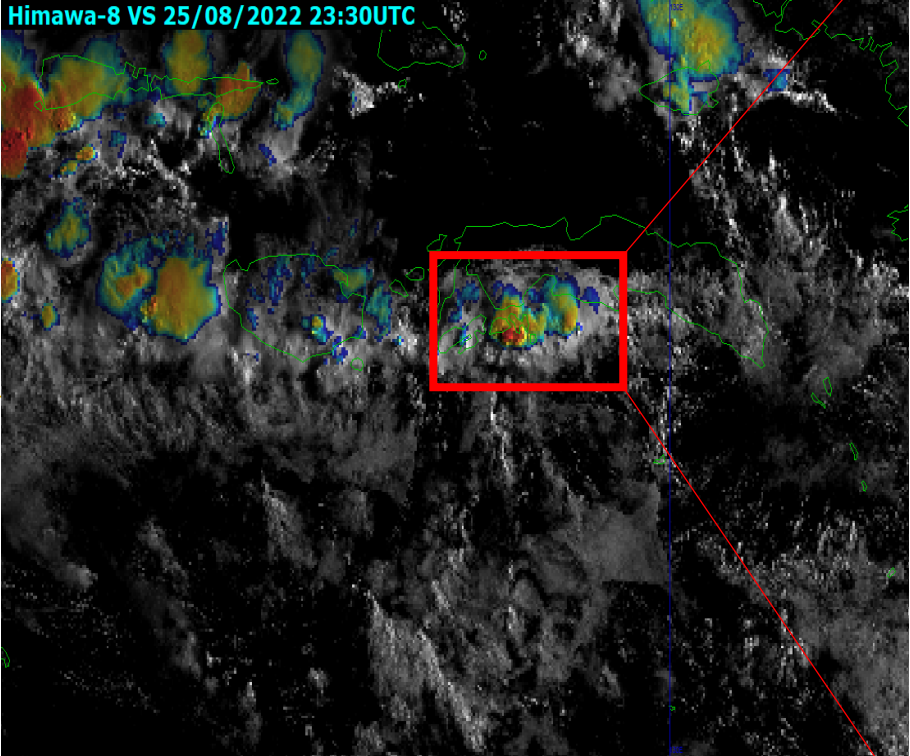
Flash flood & Landslides
In the Haruku Islands

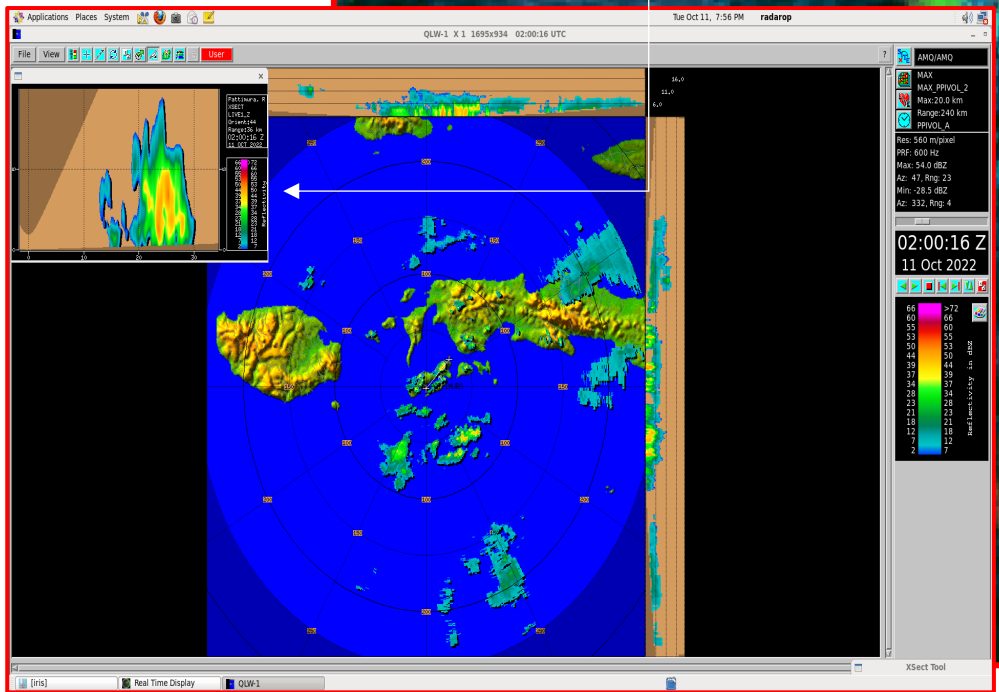
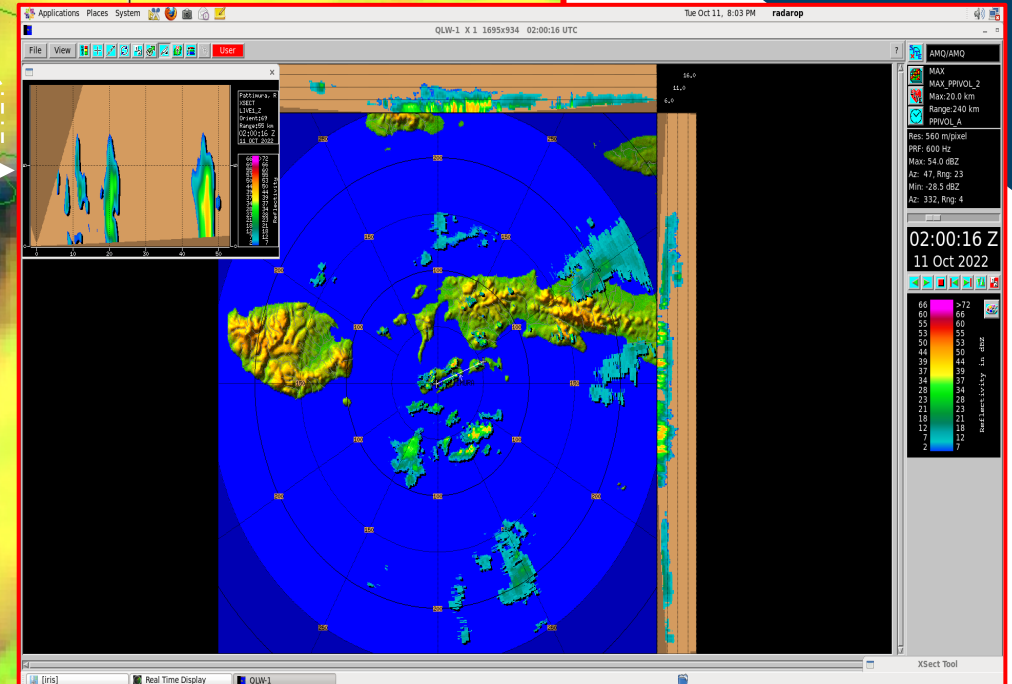
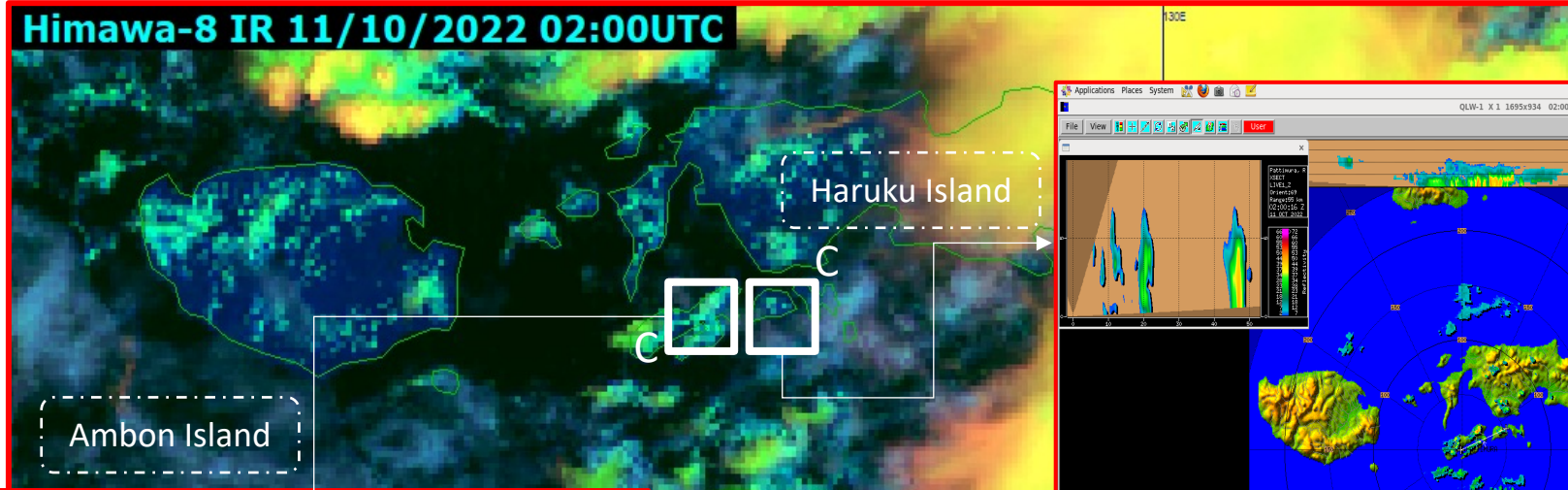


Color		Interpretation
	A	Thick high-level clouds with ice particles (Cumulonimbus Cloud)
	B	Thin high-level clouds with ice particles
	C	Thick low-level ice clouds
	D	Thick low-level water clouds



Sandwich Product *Comparing*

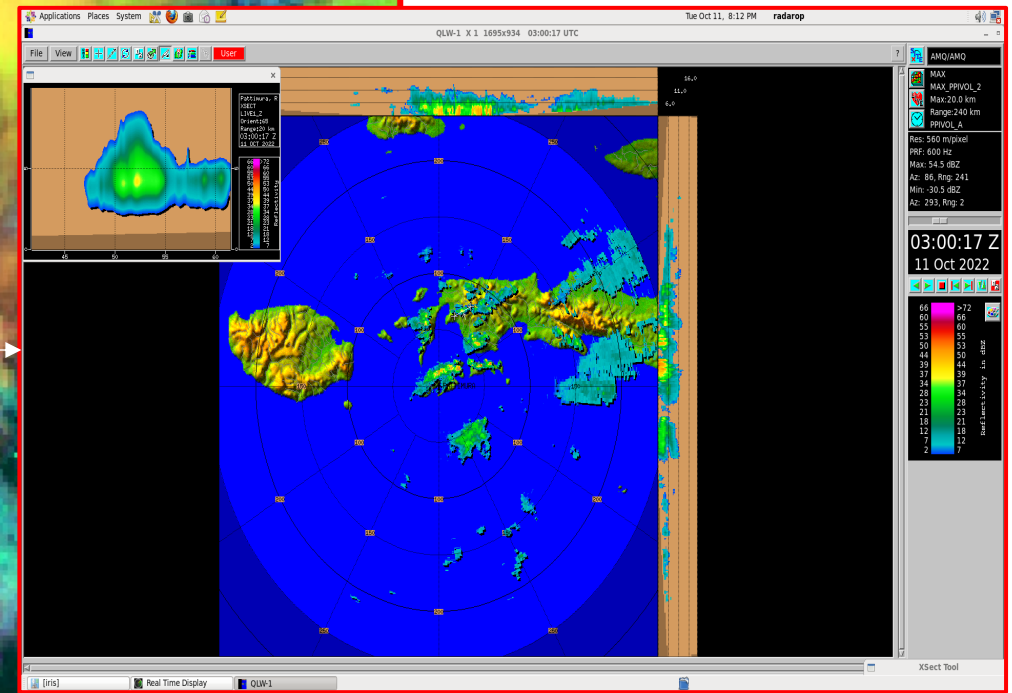
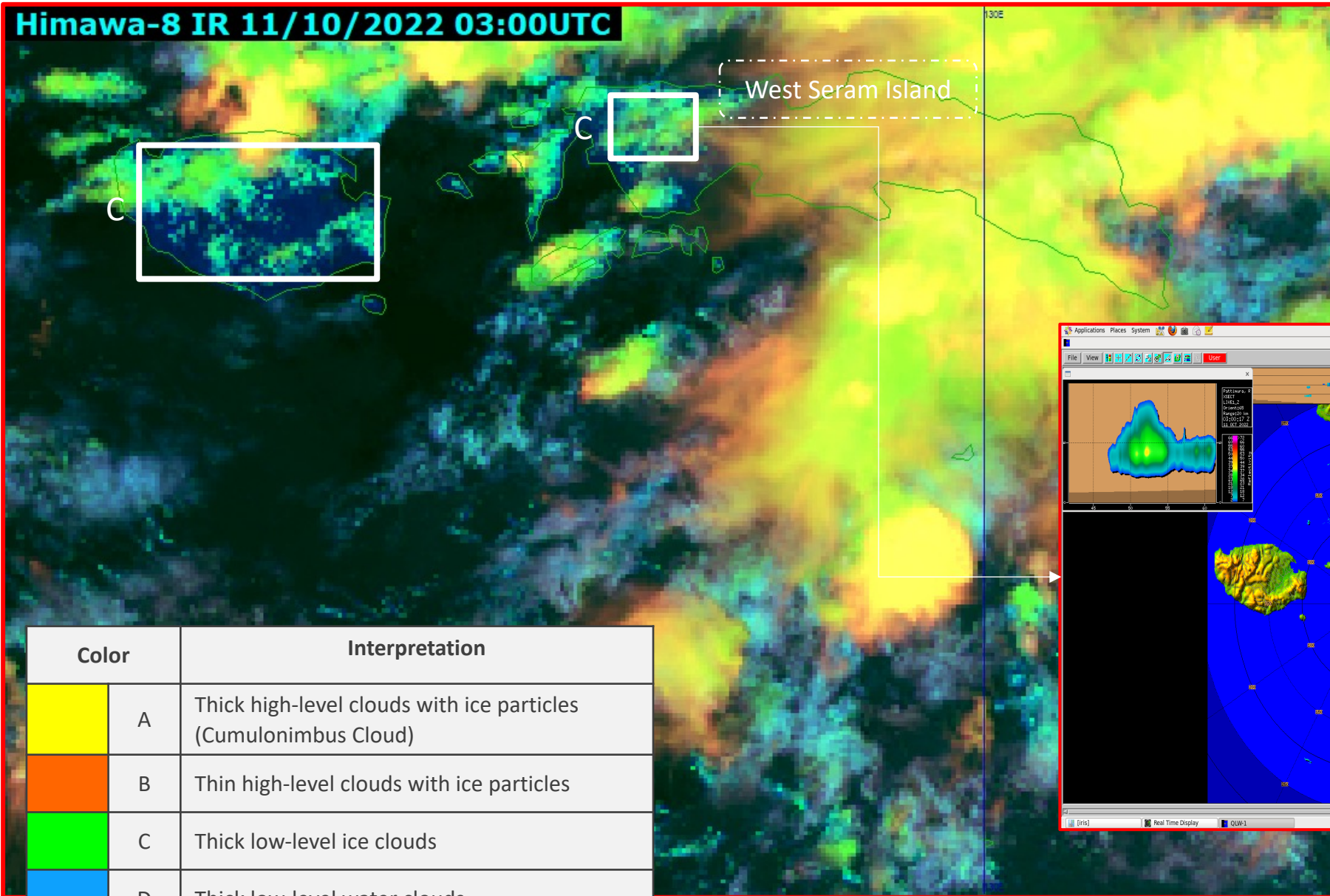




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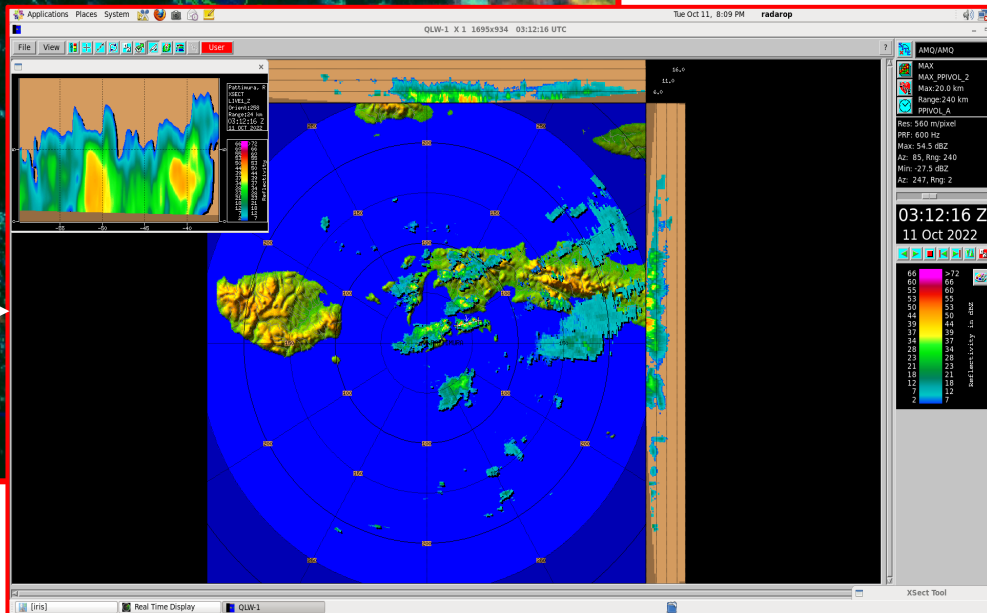
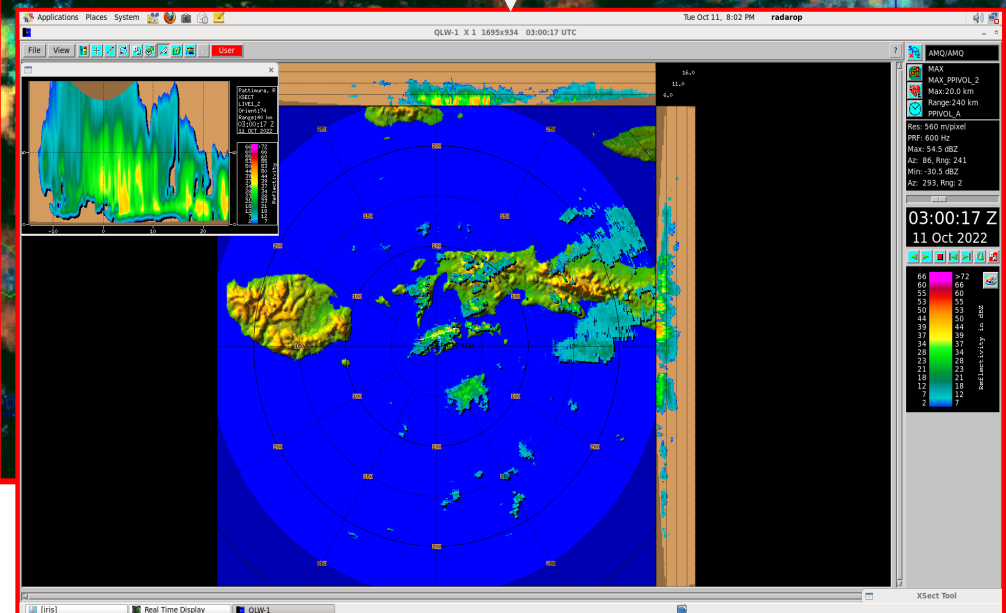
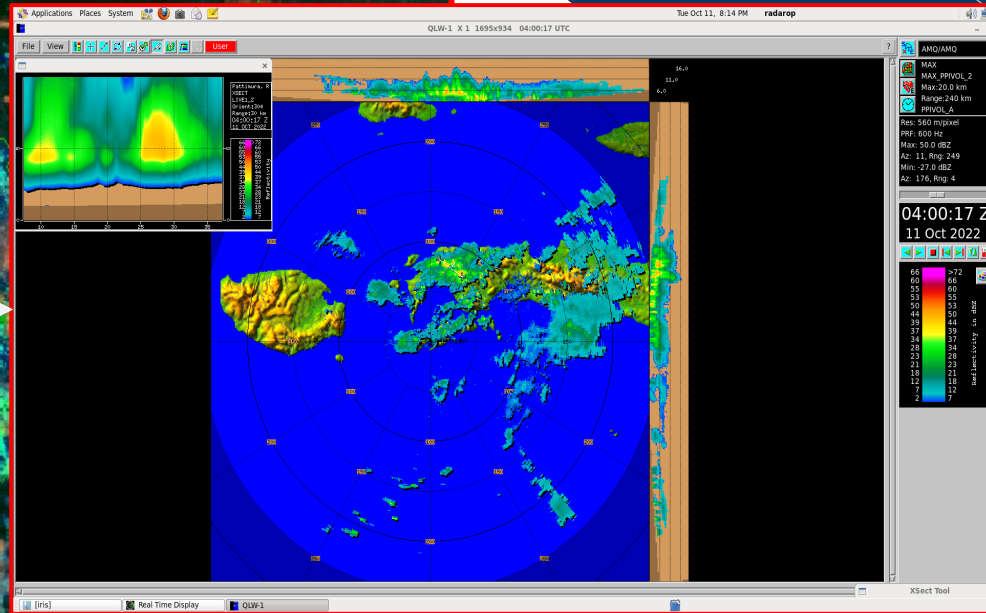
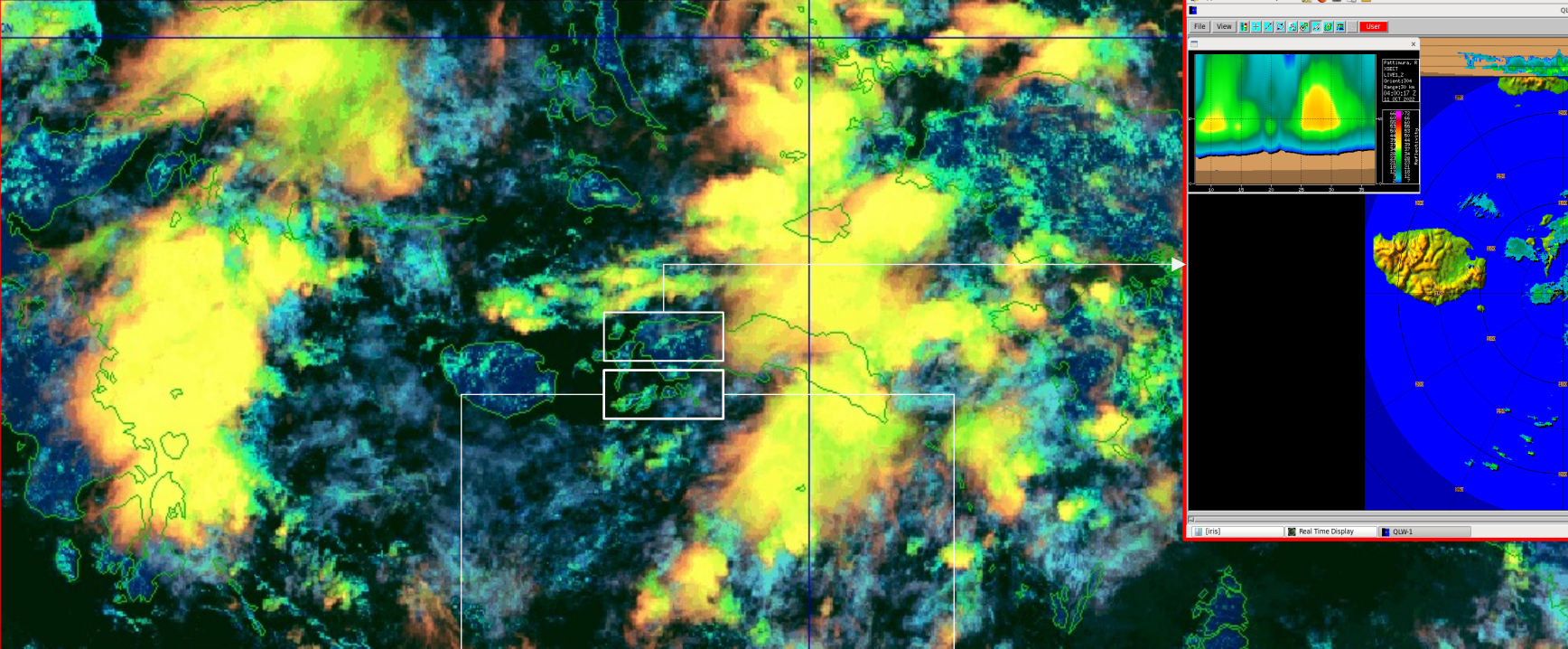
Convective Initiation, 03.00 UTC | Case study: 11 October 2022

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Conclusion

- The Cloud Phase Distinction RGB that develop by JMA can be useful on tropical region especially Eastern Part Indonesia (Maluku, Papua and Sulawesi) without change to tropical recipe.
- The result after compared with weather radar shows that the RGB work good for detection signal from thick low-level ice clouds.
- It helps a forecaster to make decision for early warning and nowcasting.
- For the future analysis with using the spatial analysis the product can support Impact-based Warning Forecast (IBWF) in Indonesia.

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