

MTSAT Monthly Operations Report

September 2008

1. Special operation events

1.1 Eclipse operation

MTSAT-1R autumn eclipse and sun avoidance operation were performed from September 1 through September 30.

1.2 Solar-interference operation

There was no Solar-interference Operation of MTSAT-1R.

2. Imagery dissemination

2.1 High Rate Information Transmission (HRIT) imagery via MTSAT-1R

HRIT dissemination via MTSAT-1R was performed according to the regular schedule. The following tables show the performance of HRIT dissemination and a summary of canceled HRIT dissemination during September 2008.

Performance of HRIT dissemination via MTSAT-1R

	HRIT	Remarks
Scheduled	1677	
Performed	1677	
Performance in %	100.00	

Summary of canceled HRIT dissemination via MTSAT-1R

Date	HRIT	Reasons
	None	

2.2 Low Rate Information transmission (LRIT) imagery via MTSAT-1R

LRIT dissemination via MTSAT-1R was performed according to the regular schedule. The following tables show the performance of LRIT dissemination and a summary of canceled LRIT dissemination during September 2008.

Performance of LRIT dissemination via MTSAT-1R

	LRIT	Remarks
Scheduled	2158	
Performed	2158	
Performance in %	100.00	

Summary of canceled LRIT dissemination via MTSAT-1R

Date	LRIT	Reasons
	None	

2.3 HRIT imagery via landline

HRIT dissemination via landline was performed according to the regular schedule. The following tables show the performance of its dissemination and a summary of canceled HRIT dissemination during September 2008.

Performance of HRIT dissemination via landline

	HRIT	Remarks
Scheduled	11980	
Performed	11980	
Performance in %	100.00	

Summary of canceled HRIT dissemination via landline

Date	HRIT	Reasons
	None	

3. Data Collection System

3.1 International Data Collection System (IDCS)

The following table shows the status of reception and dissemination of International Data Collection Platform (IDCP) messages that were received in MTSAT-1R's area of responsibility.

Reception and dissemination of IDCP messages

IDCP channels	Numbers of IDCPs ^{a)}	Received messages	Error messages ^{b)}	Messages disseminated to the GTS
I06	0	0	0	0
I07	0	0	0	0
I12	3	0	0	0
I14	0	0	0	0
I15	2	467	467	0
I16	4	0	0	0
I18	0	0	0	0
I20	2	0	0	0
Total	11	467	467	0

a) IDCP numbers are those registered in MTSAT-DCS as of September 1, 2008.

b) No message, or message unsuitable for WMO codes.

3.2 Interference on IDCP channels

The following table shows interference on MTSAT International Data Collection System (IDCS) channels that occurred during September 2008.

Interference on MTSAT IDCS Channels (September, 2008)

Channel	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Interference											
Channel	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Interference											
Channel	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Interference											H

Note - W: weak interference / H: harmful interference

4. Satellite system status

4.1 Satellite status

MTSAT-1R is located at 140 east longitude and continues to provide operational services.

4.2 Maneuver

- 1) An east-west station-keeping maneuver of MTSAT-1R was carried out from 13:14 UTC on September 1, 2008.
- 2) An east-west station-keeping maneuver of MTSAT-1R was carried out from 07:14 UTC on September 14, 2008.
- 3) An east-west station-keeping maneuver of MTSAT-1R was carried out from 08:14 UTC on September 29, 2008.

4.3 Orbit elements of MTSAT-1R

The orbit elements of MTSAT-1R are shown in the following table.

Epoch 08:00:00 UTC on October 8, 2008

	Element	Unit	Value
Orbit	Semi-major axis (a)	Km	42166.002968
	Eccentricity (e)	-	0.000196480
	Inclination (I)	Degrees	0.078685
	Right ascension of ascending node (Ω)	Degrees	104.548551
	Argument of perigee (ω)	Degrees	96.445328
	Mean anomaly (M)	Degrees	76.437629