

Typhoon Gaemi

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Recently, Typhoon Gaemi has brought torrential rains that have caused widespread destruction and fatalities across Eastern China, Taiwan and the Philippines.

- Typhoon Gaemi made landfall in Taiwan the strongest in eight years, causing severe flooding in the island's second-largest city, Taichung.
 - In the Philippines, it exacerbated seasonal rains, triggering floods and <u>landslides</u> and caused severe flooding in Zhejiang province and led to the highest warning for rainstorms in Wenzhou city in China.
- Typhoons are a kind of storm. The storms, depending on where they occur, may be called hurricanes, typhoons or cyclones.
 - The scientific name for all these kinds of storms is **tropical cyclones**.
 - Tropical cyclones are intense circular storms that originate over the warm tropical oceans with speed more than 119 km/hr and heavy rains.
 - Tropical cyclones **rotate counterclockwise** in the Northern Hemisphere.

Туре	Location
Typhoon	China Sea and Pacific Ocean
Hurricane	West Indian islands, Caribbean Sea, Atlantic Ocean
Tornado	Guinea lands of West Africa, southern USA
Willy-willies	North-western Australia
Tropical Cyclone	Indian Ocean Region

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