

East China province braces for typhoon

Hato, the 13th typhoon this year, is likely to land near the border between east China's Fujian Province and south China's Guangdong Province on Wednesday morning, local meteorological authorities said Monday.

The typhoon was moving to the northwest in the northwestern Pacific on Monday morning, packing maximum wind of 20 meters per second at its eye. It is expected to bring gales to the sea off Fujian starting Monday night and rainstorms starting Tuesday night, according to Fujian's observatory.

The province activated an emergency response to the typhoon on Monday morning.

Workers with coastal fish farms have been ordered to retreat to land and fishing boats have been told to return to harbor.

Tourist attractions and construction sites to the south of Fuzhou City, the provincial capital, will be closed on Tuesday.