

Online voting for 2016-2020 Top 10 Mind-boggling Weather and Climate Events Selection starts

The online voting of the 2016-2020 Top 10 Mind-boggling Weather and Climate Events Selection organised by the Hong Kong Observatory (HKO) started today (January 28).

In recent years, extreme weather conditions such as intense cold surges, scorching high temperatures, super typhoons and torrential rain have affected Hong Kong and various parts of the world. Meanwhile, melting ice in polar regions and rising sea levels have led to widespread concern on issues related to climate change across the world. Extreme weather events may cause severe damage to the ecological environment and even loss of life. Through the voting activity, the HKO hopes to arouse the public's attention to significant weather and climate events in Hong Kong and around the world and enhance their understanding on climate change and its impacts on human lives.

The voting activity began online today, with participants able to select five weather and climate events from the shortlist in each of the two given categories, namely "Hong Kong" and "Worldwide", that they consider the most significant or impactful or the most representative in the climate crisis. Participants of the voting activity may have a chance to get an HKO souvenir.

The website of the 2016-2020 Top 10 Mind-boggling Weather and Climate Events Selection is eforms.weather.gov.hk/selection/intro.fm. The voting period will end on February 28. Voting results will be announced in late March.

