**AUSTRALIA:** Tropical Cyclone ITA formed in the SW Pacific on 4 April. On 7 April at 06.00 UTC it had a max. sust. wind speed of 84 km/h (called a Category 1 Tropical Cyclone in Australia, equivalent to a Tropical Storm in most other basins) and was located approx. 1,000 km NE of the Australian coasts. (GDACS)

- Over the next 2-3 days, ITA is expected to turn SW toward northern Queensland, increasing in strength, and might approach the coast of Cape York Peninsula on 10 April. As of 13.00 UTC on 7 April there were still no land warnings by the Bureau of Meteorology.

**PALAU-PHILIPPINES:** On 7 April at 06.00 UTC, PEIPAH (named "DOMENG" in the Philippines) was located in the south-western Philippine Sea and it was a Tropical Depression with max. sustained winds of 47 km/h. It was moving towards Mindanao and Eastern Visayas and is expected to approach them on 9-10 April, roughly keeping its intensity. As of 13:00 UTC on 7 April there were no warnings by PAGASA and NDRRMC had raised its status to Blue Alert.

- On 6 April, PEIPAH moved past Palau as a Tropical Depression. 66mm of rain in 24h were recorded in the capital Koror on that day (WMO). As of 7 April, no damage had been reported in the media.