News Release

Himawari-9 enters geostationary orbit

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The new-generation geostationary meteorological satellite of the Japan Meteorological Agency, Himawari-9, entered geostationary orbit on 11 November 2016 as planned.

Himawari-9 will be checked out and stored in orbit as a backup to Himawari-8. JMA aims to establish a stable and continuous satellite observation system with redundancy based on twin satellite operation involving Himawari-8 and -9, which is expected to contribute to disaster risk reduction in Asia and the western Pacific until 2029.

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