

# The wind was stronger!

*Talk about tough luck. A recent storm tore down the 1.8 m dish of the SatcoDX scanning station in Indonesia. The mounting parts could not withstand the huge wind loads during the storm. Naturally, the new construction to be erected will take this risk into account. We all learn from our mistakes!*



■ Before: The mast proudly carries the 6-segment dish with a diameter of 1.8 m for reception of PALAPA C2 at 113°E and CHINASAT 6B at 155.5°E (received in the antenna's offset) on the roof of SatcoDX's scanning station in Indonesia. As a matter of fact, it is not located in the capital Jakarta, but in Pontianak, which is in the west of the Malay archipelago. If required, a motor allowed rotating the dish eastward all the way to INTELSAT 8 at 166°E and westward to YAMAL 202 at 49°E. Next to the air-conditioner you can see two more small dishes which are also used by the auto scan station.

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■ After: What a shame – the 1.8 m dish has collapsed due to high wind loads.



■ Some panel sections as well the LNB mount complete with the two LNBs are damaged.