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Attachment(s) :

(1) "Photo Report of MAGDAS work at Vietnam", 3.3 MB pdf, 14 pages.

Re:
MAGDAS upgrade work at Bac Lieu, Vietnam.

Dear ISWI Participant:

Recently, the Kyushu University magnetometer at Bac Lieu, Vietnam, was upgraded to a MAGDAS 9 instrument.

The attached Photo Report describes this mission to Bac Lieu.

I wish to express my profound gratitude to Dr Ha Duyen Chau of the Hanoi Institute of Geophysics for going beyond the call of duty to support our work at Bac Lieu. I have never seen such energy and enthusiasm in a senior scientist ... he puts to shame researchers in their 20s and 30s. Thank you, Dr Chau, for your overwhelming hospitality and generosity of spirit (and spirits, too!).

Respectfully and most faithfully yours,

: George Maeda
: The Editor
: ISWI Newsletter

Vietnam



Bac Lieu is near the southern tip of Vietnam, near the equator.
The observatory here was established around 1978.

The following several pages is a Photo Report of the installation of ICSWSE's MAGDAS-9 (FRG-604RC No. 19) at the Bac Lieu equatorial magnetic observatory of the Hanoi Institute of Geophysics of the Vietnam Academy of Science and Technology.

This real time magnetometer was installed by the following persons:

1. Dr Ha Duyen Chau, with the Institute.
2. Mr. Hai (海), with the Observatory.
3. Mr. G. Maeda, with ICSWSE.
4. Mr. S. Imajo (今城), with Kyu Dai.
5. Ms. A. Shishime (志々目), with Kyu Dai.

The installation was executed on March 18 and 19 (2012) on the premises of the observatory -- inside the red circle shown in the map at the left. ICSWSE gratefully acknowledges the generous assistance of Dr Chau and Mr Hai during this work.

G. Maeda 3 April 2012.



Durian (sau rieng)
inside of Saigon
supermarket.



One of two major bridges between
HCMC and Bac Lieu.

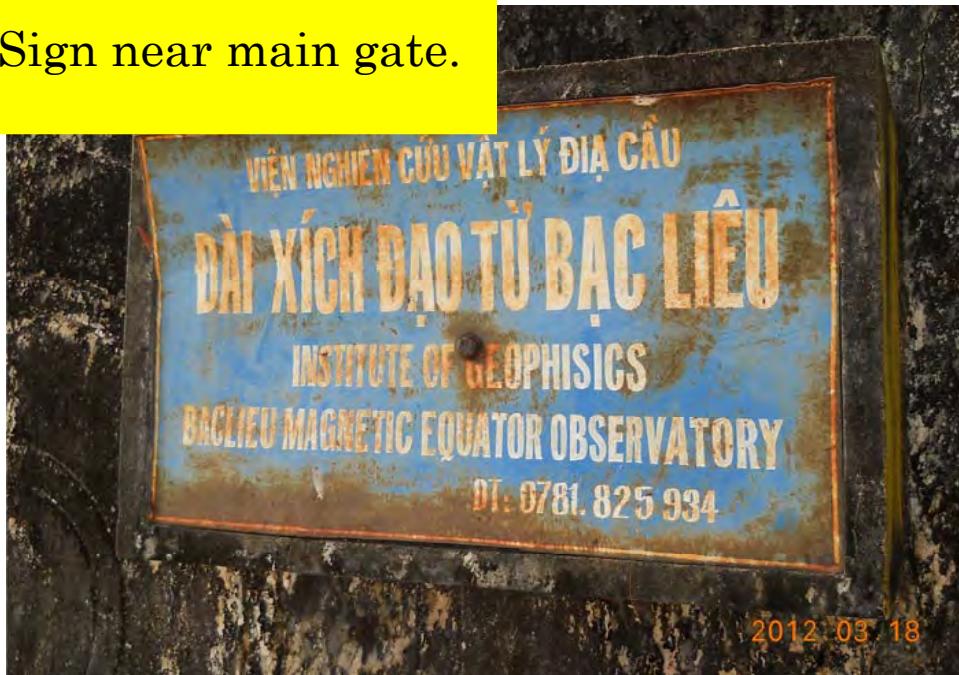


Arrival at Tan Son Nhat Airport, HCMC.

16 March 2012.



Sign near main gate.



Lunch, between HCMC and Bac Lieu. This journey is 6 hours by car.

Posted above MAGDAS-9 data logger.



Kyu Dai grad students at work.



The MAGDAS-9 sensor.



Pulling sensor cable through buried tube.

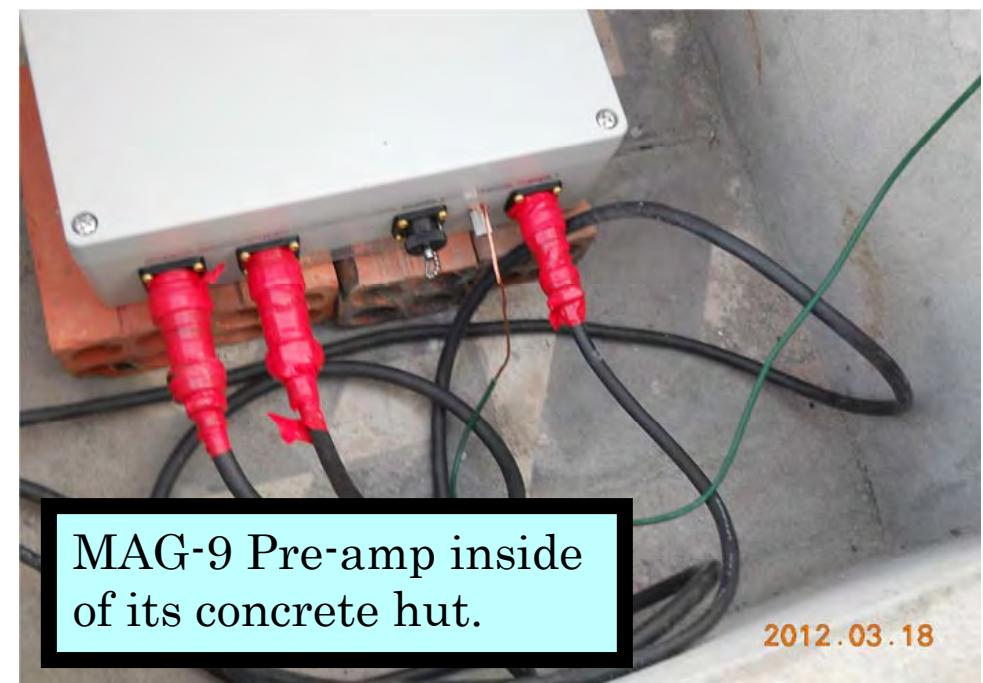
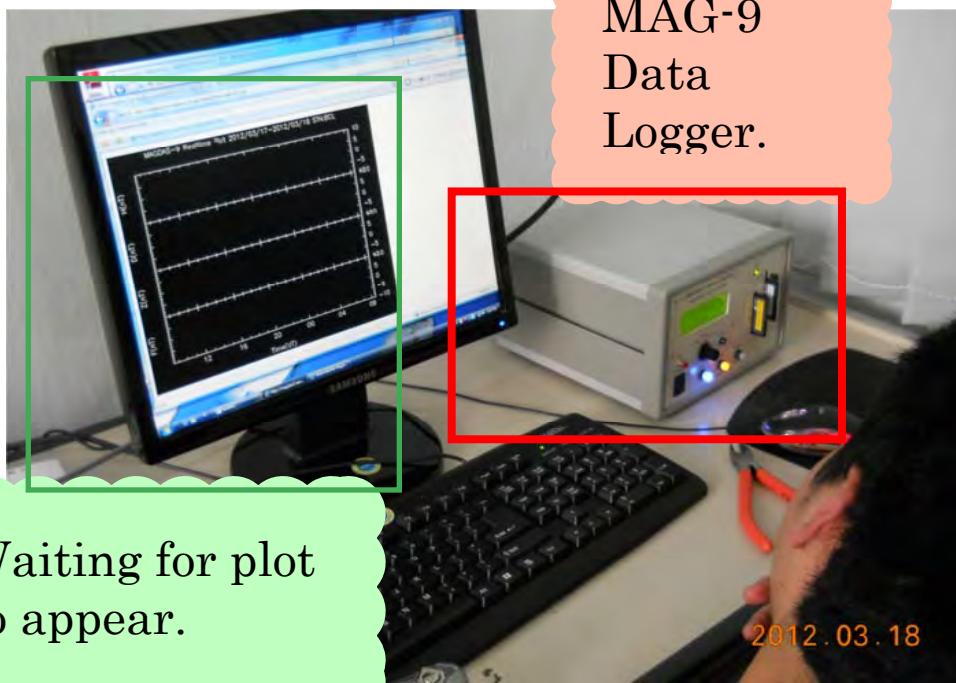
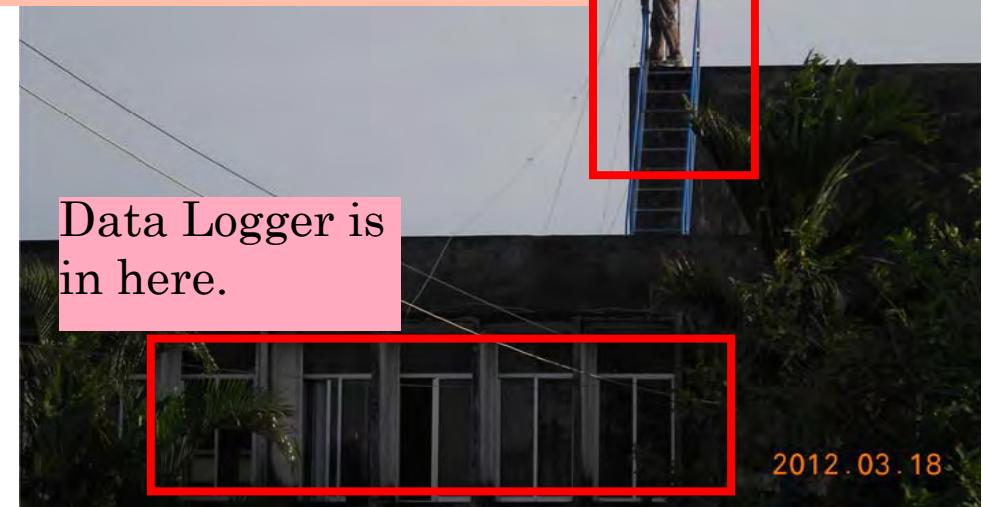
Pre-amp hut.







Mr Imajo installs our GPS antenna at the highest point of the observatory.





She is cooking our dinner
(roadside BBQ).





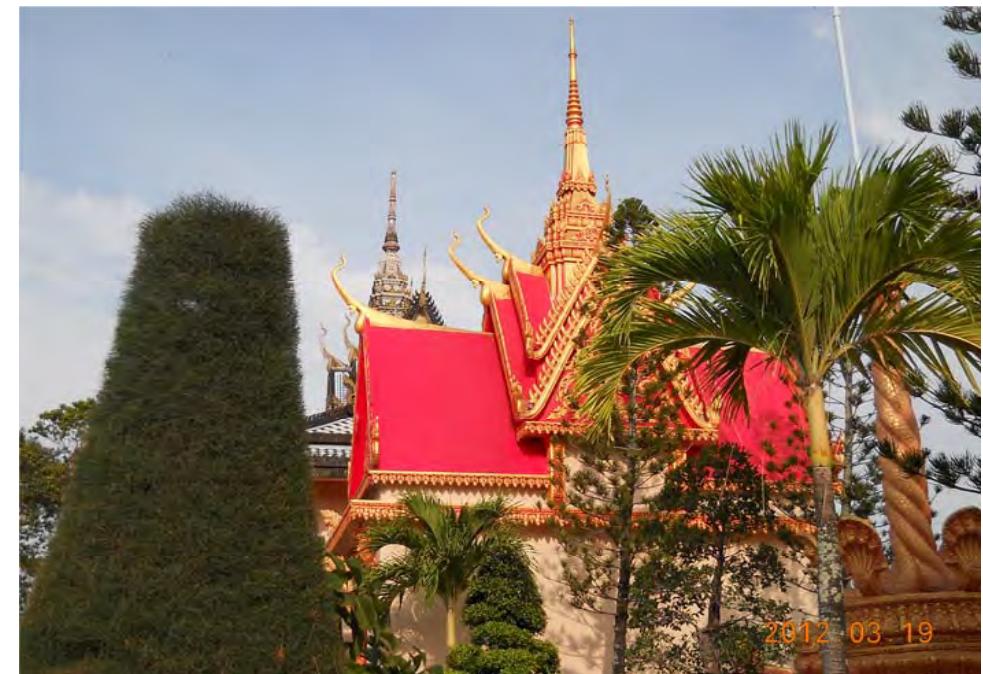
Final cover
for the sensor house.



The Streets of Bac Lieu.



Visit to "Chua Xiem Can", built about 200 years ago by Cambodians.



This Cambodian pagoda is located near Bac Lieu Town.

Dr Chau, Ms Shishime, Mr Imajo, G.Maeda.



Final
pre-amp hut.



These snakes live
in the rice paddies of the Delta.



Seafood right off the
fishing trawlers of
Bac Lieu.



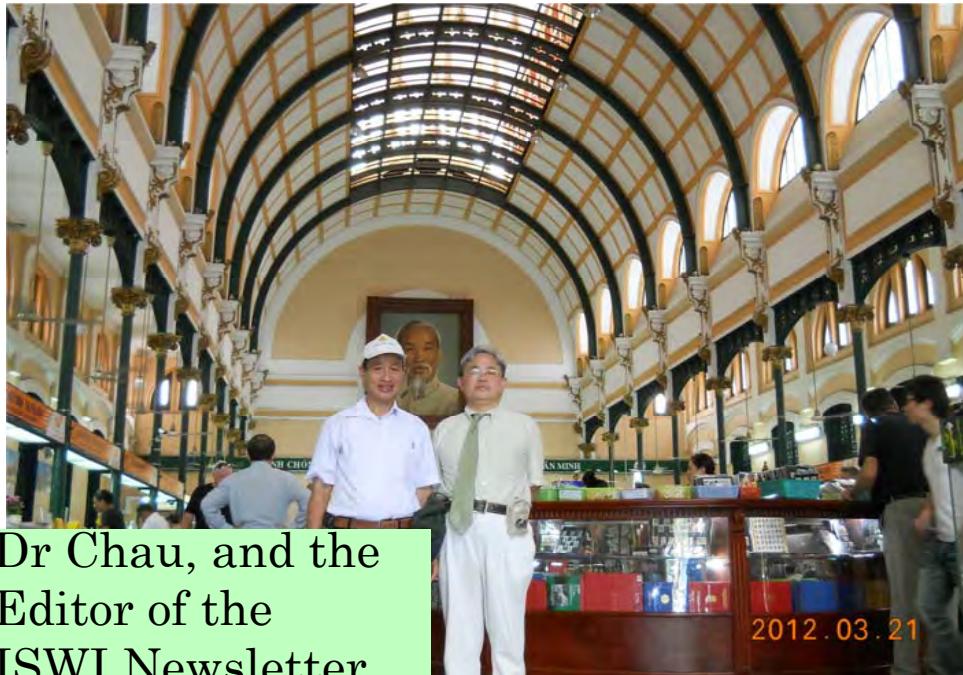
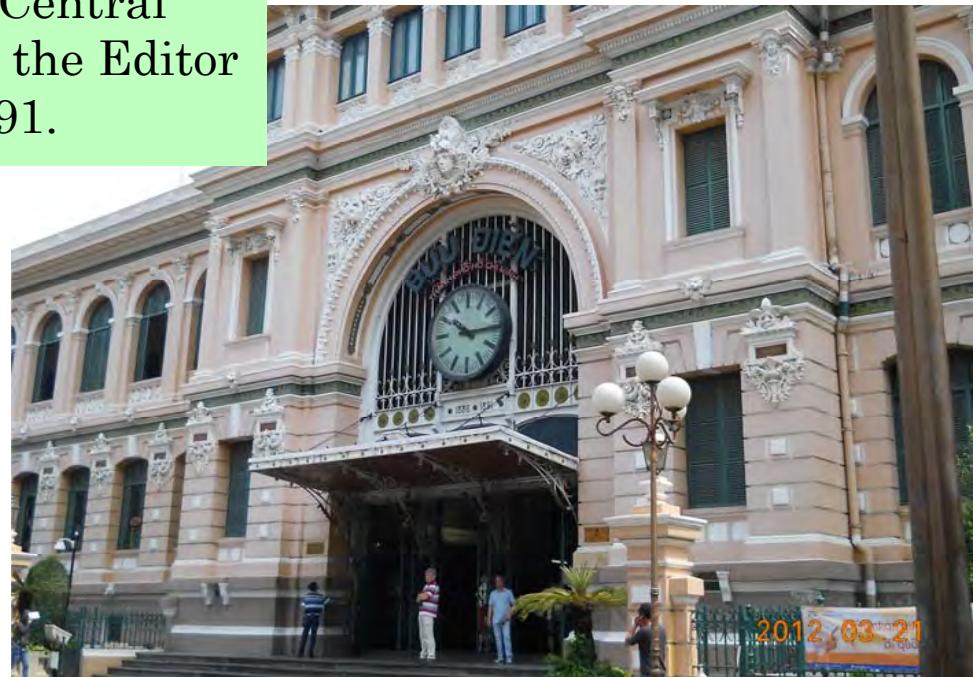
Grad students explaining
the system to Dr Chau
and Mr Hai.

The last dinner at Bac Lieu, with snake and other unusual things.





The Ho Chi Minh Central Post Office, where the Editor met his wife in 1991.



Dr Chau, and the Editor of the ISWI Newsletter.



The "Notre Dame" of Saigon.

Wedding vows in front to Notre Dame.



Movie theatre inside of Reuni Palace.

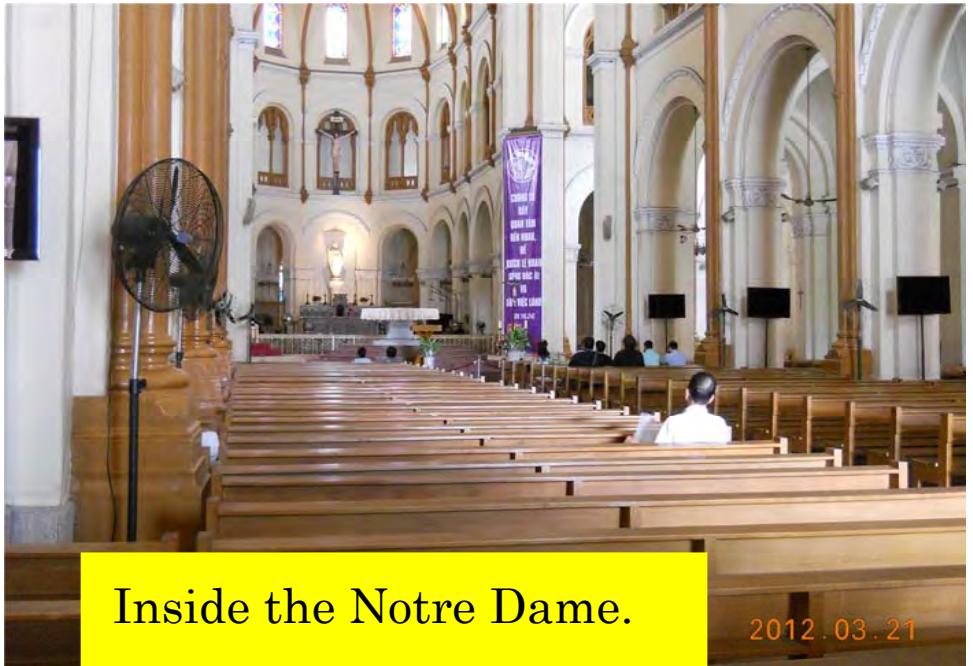


Inside of Post Office.

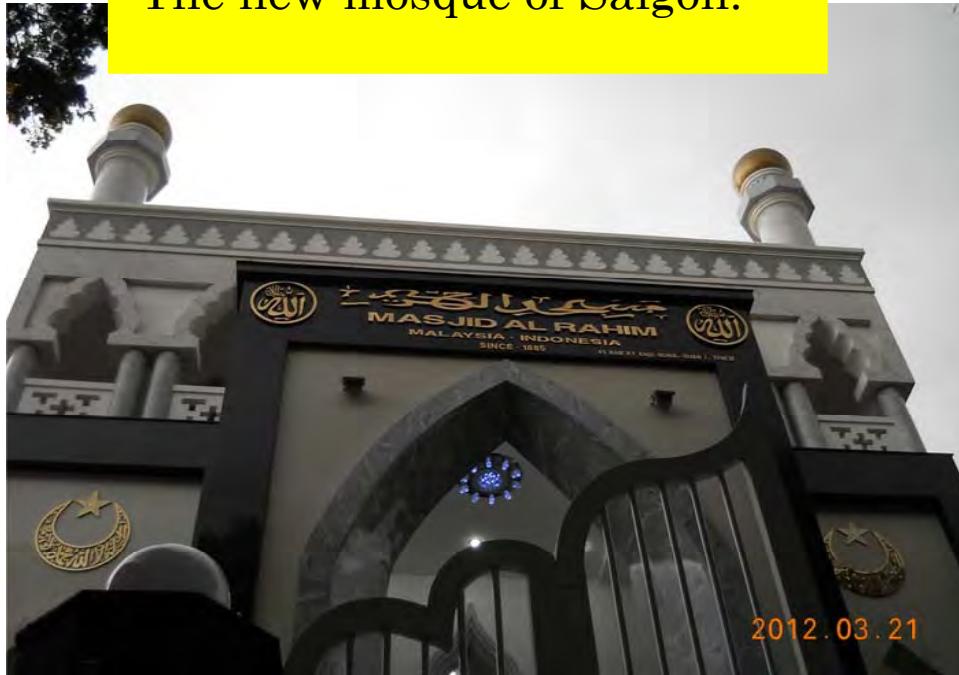


This map shows the telegraphic lines of the Delta in 1939. The map is from 1939.

Inside the Notre Dame.



The new mosque of Saigon.



End of slides of the mission to Bac Lieu by 3-person team (Maeda, Imajo, Shishime) to install MAGDAS-9 magnetometer during March of 2012. Many thanks to Dr Chau and Mr Hai with the Institute of Geophysics in Vietnam. GM 2 April 2012.



Basement of Reunification Palace, former residence of the head of South Vietnam.



The War Remnant Museum