



## Deluge could spread Fukushima radiation

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**There are fears a tropical storm off the coast of Japan could wash radioactive material from the crippled Fukushima nuclear plant into the air and sea.**

Now downgraded to a tropical storm, former Typhoon Songda is still expected to bring strong winds and torrential rain to Tokyo later this morning, with the Fukushima area also forecast to experience a deluge.

The plant's operator, Tokyo Electric Power Company (TEPCO), has apologised for not being prepared for the bad weather.

The company has been pouring synthetic resins over the facility to stop radioactive material from being swept away, but the job is far from complete.

TEPCO and the Japanese government both fear contamination could be washed out of the uncovered reactor buildings.

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