

Weather Advisory-1



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GOVERNMENT OF SINDH
REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT
PROVINCIAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
Karachi Dated: 02 .September, 2014

To.

Chairman, District Disaster Management Authorities / Deputy Commissioners, (All)

Attn:

- Commissioner Karachi, Hyderabad, Mirpurkhas, Larkano and Sukkur.
- Administrator KMC / HMC
- Project Director, NSUSC Larkano and Sukkur.

Subject: - **Widespread Rains/Thunderstorm Predicted during the Current Week Heavy Rains expected in Sindh**

The Pakistan Metrological Department (PMD) has Conveyed Weather Advisory dated 1st September 2014. Portions relevant to Sindh province are reproduced as under.

Sindh Forecast:

“Widespread rain/thundershowers with isolated heavy falls are expected in Mirpur Khas and Sukkur divisions during Tuesday to Thursday. Scattered rain/thundershowers are also expected in rest of the areas (Hyderabad, Larkana and Karachi divisions) during Tuesday to Thursday.”

2. Accordingly, I am directed to request you to ensure that all preparedness measures are in place including activation / continuation of Rain Emergency Centre / District Emergency Operation Centre round the clock of your respective district manned with well-versed staff and concerned officers for an effective response mechanism including early warning and evacuation of vulnerable communities wherever required. It shall be ensured that sufficient resources such as dewatering pumps are pre-deployed at low lying areas.

3. Since urban flooding in major cities and severe flooding in lower Sindh cannot be ruled out, all out efforts be taken in order to minimize the chances of hazards associated with rainfall and urban flooding. Moreover, the following authorities / agencies are requested to take action as mentioned below:

- I. KESC/HESCO/SEPCO: Ensure uninterrupted power supply to pumping stations for drainage of rain water. Secure electric transmission lines in case of high winds. Ensure prompt action to avoid electrocution due to fallen electric wires.
- II. KWSB/WASA (HYD): Ensure drainage of water from the low lying areas of the city.

- III. DHA/Cantonments: Removal of loose structures, billboards, hoardings, and drainage of rain water through the nallahs, etc.
- IV. TMAs: To ensure that all the drainage/nallahs have been cleaned to facilitate smooth and quick drainage of water.
- V. KBCA: To take timely necessary preemptive action with reference to old/dangerous building structure prone to structure collapse.
5. The progress / necessary measures taken by District Disaster Management Authorities and other agencies in accordance to their District Disaster Management Plans/mandates may kindly be communicated to PDMA Sindh via return fax on 021-99251463 or email ad.ops@pdma.gos.pk.


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Copy for information/necessary action to:

1. The Secretary to Governor Sindh, Karachi.
2. The Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Sindh, Karachi.
3. The Secretary, Home Department, Government of Sindh, Karachi.
4. The Secretary, Irrigation Department, Government of Sindh, Karachi .
5. The Secretary, Local Government, Government of Sindh, Karachi with a request to instruct TMAs to ensure preparedness and response measures are in place and staff is kept on alert.
6. The Secretary, Health Department, Government of Sindh, Karachi with a request to kindly ensure that Government hospitals are put on alert with sufficient stock of medicines
7. The Secretary Information & Archives Department, Government of Sindh, Karachi with the request that necessary projection may kindly be given in the media for awareness of the general public.
8. The Secretary Fisheries & Livestock , Government of Sindh,
9. The COMKAR, Karachi for necessary action please .
10. The M.D Fisher Folk Forum, Karachi.
11. The Chairman, PDMA Sindh, Karachi for information.
12. The Administrator DHA Karachi to activate Emergency Control Room and take relevant preparedness & response measures.
13. The Cantonment Executive Officer (All), Karachi for necessary action in the light of contents of the letter.
14. The Managing Director/CEO K.E.S.C.
15. The Managing Director/CEO HESCO, Hyderabad.
16. The Managing Director K.W.S.B.
17. The Director General K.B.C.A.
18. The Director (Response), National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad
19. The Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Secretary Sindh for kind information
20. The Head Quarters, 5 Corps, Karachi for necessary action please.
21. The HQ, Coastal Command for support to Coastal districts.
22. The Deputy Director, PDMA Regional Directorate, Hyderabad/ Sukkur.
23. The PS to Minister for Rehabilitation and Disaster Management, GoS, Karachi.
24. The Staff Officer to Chairman National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad.
25. The PS to Secretary Rehabilitation/DG PDMA Sindh, Karachi.