



Government of Sindh

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Message from the Director General

I feel privileged in presenting the third edition of our 2019 Newsletter which proves the continuation of commitment by PDMA Sindh towards well being and safety of public.

PDMA Sindh faced various challenges in this quarter of the year amongst which the major one was relief operations carried out by PDMA Sindh to facilitate affectees of torrential rains during current Monsoon season.

PDMA Sindh worked round the clock and even remained functional during Eid-ul-Adha holidays while facilitating the concerned stakeholders / Government Institutions in draining

out rain water from places and facilitating public at relief camps.

A large number of de-watering pumps and various other relief items including tents etc were provided to District Administrations of vulnerable Districts.

PDMA Sindh with the help of World Bank funded Sindh Resilience Project is working day and night on various aspects of disaster resilience which will prove as a savior in countering disasters in the times to come.

Syed Salman Shah

DG PDMA Sindh

Chief Secretary Sindh chairs meeting on Rescue 1122 project

On 2nd of July 2019, Chief Secretary Sindh Mumtaz Ali Shah chaired an important meeting on Rescue 1122 project and emphasized on timely execution of the project to serve the masses. Chief Secretary Sindh was briefed by consultants on the progress of project on which he expressed his satisfaction and further directed to ensure fulfillment of the aspects of project so as to benefit public to the maximum extent.

The meeting was also attended by Secretary Rehabilitation Department Riaz Hussain Soomro and DG PDMA Sindh Syed Salman Shah.

Minister Rehabilitation Department visits PDMA Sindh

On 7th of August 2019, Minister Rehabilitation Department Faraz Dero after assuming the charge of Ministry, immediately visited PDMA Sindh headquarters in wake of forecasted rain/flood alerts issued by NDMA and other concerned authorities.

Minister Rehabilitation Department chaired an important meeting at PDMA Sindh Headquarters which was attended by Secretary Rehabilitation Department, DG PDMA Sindh, representatives of District Administration Karachi & Local Government institutions including Karachi Water Board and other concerned officers. During meeting, DG PDMA Sindh briefed the Minister about ongoing and upcoming projects of PDMA Sindh and precautionary measures being taken in countering the expected floods and urban flooding. A presentation on emergency preparedness and resilience measures was also given to the Minister.

DG PDMA Sindh visits Thatta

On 19th of August 2019, DG PDMA Sindh Syed Salman Shah visited Thatta to review the ongoing relief efforts being carried out to facilitate affectees of torrential rains. DG PDMA along with Deputy Commissioner Thatta visited relief camps where they met victims and heard the problems faced by them. DG PDMA assured the victims about the timely resolution of their problems.

Earlier, upon arrival at Thatta, DG PDMA Sindh was briefed about the relief efforts by DC Thatta, DG PDMA extended his full cooperation to the District Administration in providing relief to the public.

Kashmir Hour to express solidarity with Kashmiris

On 30th of August 2019, PDMA Sindh along with Sindh Resilience Project (PDMA Component) observed 'Kashmir Hour' from noon to 12:30pm to express solidarity with the residents of Indian-occupied Kashmir (IoK) suffering unprecedented atrocities perpetrated by Indian armed forces against them.

A large rally headed by Deputy Director(HQ)/ Project Coordinator SRP Asif Jan Siddiqi was also held which was joined by all the staff members of PDMA, SRP(PDMA) and general public.

Monsoon Operations

PDMA Sindh conducted operations due to torrential rains during current Monsoon season. PDMA staff worked day and night in facilitating line departments and all holidays including Eid-ul-Adha holidays were cancelled for the staff during that period. Timely issuance of weather warnings to concerned corners was also ensured while day to day Monsoon Situation Reports were also issued so as to keep the concerned stake holders onboard and well informed.

During that period, a large number of relief items including de-watering pumps, crane fitted vehicles to transport and deploy heavy duty de-watering pumps, tents, mosquito nets, water coolers and life jackets etc. were provided to vulnerable Districts. PDMA Sindh also stayed connected to all District Administrations of the Province and fulfilled all the relief requirements made by the concerned Administrative Heads.

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Karachi 02-07-2019:
Chief Secretary Sindh Mumtaz Ali Shah chairing meeting on Rescue 1122 Project.



Karachi 07-08-2019:
Minister Rehabilitation Department Faraz Dero visits PDMA Sindh.



Thatta 19-08-2019:
DG PDMA Sindh Syed Salman Shah visits relief camps in Thatta.



Karachi 30-08-2019:
Deputy Director(HQ) Asif Jan Siddiqi leads rally on Kashmir Hour to express solidarity with Kashmiris.



Karachi 12-09-2019:
DG SUPARCO Syed Zohair Bukhari visits PDMA Sindh.



Karachi 24-09-2019:
World Bank Mid-Term Review Mission

Sindh Resilience Project (PDMA Component)

Meeting with SUPARCO on Multi Hazard Vulnerability Risk Assessment (MHVRA)

On 1st of August 2019, a team from SUPARCO visited SRP(PDMA) and briefed on the work progress on MHVRA.

Project Coordinator SRP(PDMA) Asif Jan Siddiqi chaired the meeting and expressed his satisfaction on the progress of work and further requested team SUPARCO to keep up the pace of work so as to execute the project within stipulated time period

Meeting with team SRP(PDMA)

On 2nd of August 2019, Project Director SRP(PDMA) Syed Salman Shah chaired a meeting with team SRP (PDMA) on the progress of current projects and future road map for activities.

During meeting, Syed Salman Shah expressed his satisfaction on the progress of current projects and directed the team to bring in new ideas/concepts about the future activities. The Project Director also vowed to conduct meetings with team SRP(PDMA) on weekly basis to review the progress on the activities and future road map.

DG SUPARCO visits SRP(PDMA)

On 12th of September 2019, DG SUPARCO Syed Zuhair Bokhari accompanied by other senior officials called on DG PDMA Sindh/ PD SRP(PDMA) Syed Salman Shah for a briefing on the progress of MHVRA.

A detailed presentation on the progress and proposals was given and the activity was discussed in detail during the meeting. Syed Salman Shah expressed his satisfaction on the quantum of work and expressed his views on the proposals. DG SUPARCO extended his full cooperation to SRP(PDMA) on the activity and assured on the quality and timely execution of assessment.

World Bank Mid-Term Review Mission

On 24th of September 2019, World Bank Mission visited SRP(PDMA) for Mid-Term Review. During visit, the Mission held meeting with Project Management Team headed by Project Director Syed Salman Shah.

During the meeting, project performance including project management and implementation was reviewed. A detailed presentation on the current and future activities was also given to the Mission. World Bank Mission expressed their satisfaction on the progress and results of the Project and further assured their cooperation to SRP(PDMA) in achieving goals of the project.
