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PROVINCIAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT OF SINDH
PLOT NO. 26-C, MAIN KHAYABAN-E-JAMI,
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MOST URGENT
BY FAX / WHATSAPP

Dated: 19th August, 2022

To,
Chairman DDMA's/ Deputy Commissioner (All in Sindh)

HEAVY MONSOON RAINS ALERT

Subject: **THE MONSOON LOW-PRESSURE AREA NOW LIES OVER UPPER SINDH AND ADJOINING AREAS**

Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) has informed vide its Heavy Monsoon Rain Alert, dated, 19th August, 2022, that, the monsoon low-pressure area now lies over Upper Sindh and adjoining areas.

Under the influence of this weather system:

- **Widespread Rain-thunderstorms with scattered heavy /very heavy falls (extremely heavy at times) and accompanied with occasional strong winds likely to continue in Shaheed Benazirabad, Noshero Feroz, Khairpur, Sukkur, Larkana, Ghotki, Kashmore, Shikarpur, Jacobabad, Dadu, Jamshoro, Kambar Shahdadkot, and Sanghar districts till tomorrow night.**
- **Rain-thunderstorm of moderate intensity to continue in Tharparker, Umerkot, Mirpurkhas, Badin, Tando Muhammad Khan, Tando Allayar, Hyderabad, Mityari, Thatta, and Sujawal district.**
- **The continuing wet spell over northeastern & southern districts of Balochistan persist till 21st August which may trigger flash flooding in Dadu, Jamshoro, Kambar Shahdadkot districts and downstream.**

Possible Impacts

- **Heavy falls may create water-logging/urban flooding in low lying areas of Dadu, Jamshoro, Noshero Feroz, Shaheed Benazirabad, Kambar Shahdadkot, Larkana, Sukkur, Khairpur, Ghotki, Shikarpur and Kashmore districts till tomorrow.**
- **Persistent heavy rains over Khuzdar, Lasbella and Hub districts of Balochistan and over Kirthar Range may create extra pressure on Hub dam, Thaddo dam and downstream nullahs.**

Keeping in view above, it is recommended that concerned Deputy Commissioners/ Chairmen DDMA's and other relevant authorities/ stakeholders may take all necessary mitigation measures including:



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- Ensure early warning mechanism for evacuation of vulnerable population in areas/districts in case of flash flooding.
- Ensure availability of dewatering machines and staff during rainfall, at low lying areas.
- Improve coordination with emergency services, and line departments.
- Establishment of helpline Cell number to address needs of affected people at priority basis.
- Ensure provision of water and necessary emergency medicines to the general public during emergency.
- Stockpile necessary emergency relief/ medicine stores especially in affected areas.
- Keep the machinery on standby for plugging in breeches to LBOD/drainage network/ canals.
- Ensure availability of uninterrupted power supply through intimate coordination with concerned line departments and provision / availability of standby generators for hospitals.
- Emergency services and ambulances with trained paramedics to remain available round the clock.
- Emergency Services / Fire Brigades to remain alert for possible fire incidents and ensure preventive measures against fires due to electrification, where possible.
- Coordinate with concerned departments (NHA, NH&MP and FWO) for issuing necessary alerts to travelers, especially over long distances to take precaution and avoid over exposure to rainfall.

FOR GENERAL PUBLIC

- Move to safe places in case of any risk of Flash Flooding.
- Monitor the weather updates and flash flood alerts regularly through print and electronic media.
- Keep emergency medicines/kits and emergency food rations with themselves.
- Wear protective clothing and seek indoor shelter.
- Stay away from windows and doors during heavy rain and strong winds.
- Avoid roadway underpasses, drainage ditches, low-lying areas and areas where water collects there can be unexpectedly flood or overflow.
- Avoid driving in heavy rain due to poor visibility.
- Travelers and tourists are advised to remain extra cautious during the forecast period.


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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (OPERATIONS-II)

A copy is forwarded for information & necessary action to:

1. The Senior Member Board of Revenue / Relief Commissioner Sindh, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
2. The Secretary to Chief Minister, Chief Minister's House/ Secretariat, Karachi.
3. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Local Government Department, Karachi.
4. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Health Department, Karachi.
5. The Secretary to Government of Sindh. Agriculture Department, Karachi.
6. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Irrigation Department, Karachi.



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7. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Information Department, Karachi (With a request for wide publicity through the electronic & print media).
8. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Livestock Department, Karachi
9. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Forest Department, Karachi
10. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Environment, Climate Change & Coastal Development Department, Karachi
11. The Commissioner (s) (all in Sindh).
12. The Director General, Sindh Building Control Authority, Karachi.
13. The Director General, Sindh Coastal Development Authority, Karachi.
14. The Director General Climate Change, Directorate General of Climate Change Sindh, Karachi.
15. The Managing Director, Karachi Water and Sewerage Board.
16. The Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Minister Sindh, Karachi.
17. The Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Secretary Sindh, Karachi.
18. The Director (Response), National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad.
19. The Project Director, Hub Dam Project, Street.1/5, Block-U, North Nazimabad, Karachi
20. The Head Quarters ComCoast Karachi.
21. The Head Quarters ComKar, Karachi
22. The Head Quarters, 5 Corps, Karachi.
23. The Commander Southern Air Command.
24. The Chief Executive Officer, Sindh Integrated Emergency Health Services, Karachi (Rescue-1122).
25. The Chief Executive Officer, HESCO/SEPCO/K-Electric (with a request to ensure availability of uninterrupted power supply to the Essential Services Department, Hospitals and KW&SB/WASA Pumping Stations).
26. The Chief Executive, Edhi Foundation, Al Mustafa Welfare Trust, Alarngir Welfare Trust,, Alkhidmat foundation, Khidmate-Khaliq Foundation, Paksitan Red Crescent Sindh, Chhipa Welfare Organization
27. The Staff Officer to Chairman, National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad.
28. The PS to Advisor to Chief Minister Sindh, for Relief & Rehabilitation, Karachi.
29. The PS to Secretary to Government Sindh, Rehabilitation Department, Karachi.
30. The PS to Director General, Provincial Disaster Management Authority, Sindh, Karachi.