

No. PDMA(S)/7(78)/15/410 PROVINCIAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT



GOVERNMENT OF SINDH

PLOT NO. 26-C, MAIN KHAYABAN-E-JAMI, DHA PHASE-VII, KARACHI Phone: 021-99332003-5, Fax: 021-99332007

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To,

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

HEAVY MONSOON RAINS ALERT

Subject: MODERATE/HEAVY RAIN-THUNDERSTORMS IN SINDH DURING 23-26 AUGUST.

Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) vide its heavy monsoon rains alert dated: 21.08.2022, has informed that an accentuated seasonal low persist over Balochistan and upper Sindh. Another strong low-pressure area currently located over central India likely to approach Sindh from 23rd August which may cause again moderate/heavy rain-thunderstorms in most of the Districts of Sindh during 23-26 August.

Under the influence of former weather system:

Rain-thunderstorms with few moderate/heavy falls likely to continue in Noshero Feroz, Khairpur, Sukkur, Larkana, Ghotki, Kashmore, Shikarpur, Jacobabad, Dadu & Kambar Shahdadkot Districts till tomorrow.

- Light rain/drizzle likely in **Tharparker**, **Umerkot**, **Mirpurkhas**, **Badin**, **Tando Muhammad Khan**, **Tando Allayar**, **Hyderabad**, **Mityari**, **Thatta**, **Sujawal Districts** & **Karachi Division**.
- The continuing wet spell over northeastern & southern districts of Balochistan to persist till **22 August** which may trigger flash flooding in **Dadu**, **Jamshoro**, **Kambar Shahdadkot Districts** & downstream.

Possible Impacts

- Heavy falls may create more water logging in Sukkur, Larkana, Jacobabad Shaheed Benazirabad, Ghotki, Shikarpur, Noshero Feroz Kambar Shahdadkot & Kashmore Districts.
- Persistent heavy rains over Khuzdar, Lasbella and Hub districts of Balochistan & over Kirthar Range may create extra pressure on Hub dam, Thaddo dam & downstream nullahs.

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

- Ensure early warning mechanism for evacuation of vulnerable population in areas/districts in case of flash flooding.
- Ensure availability of dewatering machines and the staff during rainfall.
- Improve coordination with emergency services, also with various 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.



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- 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.

KAZIM RAZA TALPUR GIS SPECIALIST (INCHARGE PEOC)

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.
- 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.



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- 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 Comand.
- 24. Chief Executive Officer, Sindh Integrated Emergency Health Services (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 Welafre Trust, Alarngir Welfare Trust, Alkhidmat foundation, Khidmate-Khaliq Foundation, Paksitan Red Crescent Sindh, Chhipa Welafre 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.