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Dated: 13th September, 2022

<u>BY FAX</u> To,

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

Subject DUST-THUNDERSTORM/RAIN WITH ISOLATED MODERATE/HEAVY FALLS ARE LIKELY TO OCCUR AT A FEW PLACES IN SINDH

Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) has informed vide its Weather Outlook dated 13th September, 2022, that the low-pressure area over Indian Gujarat has merged with the well-marked low pressure over central India.

Under the influence of this Weather System:

- Dust-thunderstorm/rain with isolated moderate/ heavy falls is likely to continue at a few places in Tharparker, Umerkot, Badin, Sanghar, Khairpur and Mirpurkhas, districts till 15th September with occasional gaps, while in Hyderabad, Tando Allayar, Matiari, Jamshoro, Tando Muhammad Khan, Sujawal and Thatta districts today & tomorrow.
- Karachi to experience hot & humid weather with chances of dustthunderstorm/rain at a few places today afternoon/evening.

Keeping in view above, it is recommended that concerned Deputy Commissioners/ Chairmen District Disaster Management Authority 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.
- Identify sites and establish relief camps for evacuated population, owing to the threat of flooding.
- Provide necessary arrangements for the provision of cooked food at the Relief Camps.
- Take necessary precautions to curtail the outbreak of water-borne diseases by ensuring provision of clean water to the evacuated population.
- Mobilize health teams to provide medical attention to the sick and injured among the affected population.
- Coordinate with concerned departments to avoid blockage/ closure of roads due to rain and flooding.
- Take necessary steps in collaboration with respective power providers to prevent incidents of electrocution during rain.
- 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.



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- Ensure availability of uninterrupted power supply through intimate coordination with concerned line departments and provision / availability of standby generators for hospitals.
- Establish Heat Stroke Centers at Private Hospitals, Basic / Rural Health Units (B/RHUs) or at any available government buildings and community centers having backup generators facility in case of power failure and assure provision / availability of water at such Centers in the districts experiencing elevated temperatures.
- 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.
- Avoid venturing outside unnecessarily in the afternoon in the areas with forecast of elevated temperatures.
- Travelers and tourists are advised to remain extra cautious during the forecast period.

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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



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- 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 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.