

No. PDMA(S)/7(78)/15/400 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

MOST URGENT BY FAX / WHATSAPP Dated: 13th August, 2022

To,

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

WEATHER ADVISORY

Subject: <u>VIGOROUS MONSOON ACTIVITY IN COMING DAYS. MORE TORRENTIAL RAINS PREDICTED IN SINDH.</u>

Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) has informed vide its Monsoon Advisory, dated, 13th August, 2022, that, a depression has developed in Arabian Sea which is likely to move towards west along Makran coast. Due to this weather system monsoon currents are continuously penetrating in southern parts of the country. Another low pressure (LPA) is likely to approach Sindh on **16th August.**

Under the influence of this weather system:

- Rain-wind/thundershower (with few heavy falls) is expected in Sindh from 14th to 16th August with occasional gaps.
- Widespread rain-wind/thundershowers (with scattered heavy to very heavy falls) are expected in Sindh from 16th to 18th August with occasional gaps.

Possible Impacts

- Heavy Rains may generate urban flooding in Karachi, Thatta, Badin, Hyderabad, Dadu, Jamshoro, Sukkur, Larkana, Shaheed Benazirabad and Mirpurkhas from 14th to 18th August.
- Fisherman are advised to remain more cautious from 16th to 18th August.
- Travelers and tourists are advised to remain more cautious during the forecast period.

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 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.



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- 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.

(SYED GHULAM MUHAMMAD MEHDI)
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.
- 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 Chief Executive Officer, Sindh Integrated Emergency Health Services, Karachi.
- 17. The Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Minister Sindh, Karachi.
- 18. The Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Secretary Sindh, Karachi.
- 19. The Director (Response), National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad.
- 20. The Project Director, Hub Dam Project, Street.1/5, Block-U, North Nazimabad, Karachi
- 21. The Head Quarters ComCoast Karachi.
- 22. The Head Quarters ComKar, Karachi
- 23. The Head Quarters, 5 Corps, Karachi.
- 24. 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).
- 25. The Chief Executive, Edhi Foundation, Al Mustafa Welafre Trust, Alarngir Welfare Trust, Alkhidmat foundation, Khidmate-Khaliq Foundation, Paksitan Red Crescent Sindh, Chhipa Welafre Organization
- 26. The Staff Officer to Chairman, National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad.
- 27. The Incharge Rescue, 1122, Karachi.
- 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.