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REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT



GOVERNMENT OF SINDH
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MOST URGENT
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Dated: 26th January, 2024

To,

The Deputy Commissioner(s)/Chairman DDMA(s),
All Sindh.

Subject **Rain (With Snowfall Over Mountains) in from 27th to 31st January 2024.**

NDMA Tech Team and Pakistan Meteorological Department have informed that Light to Moderate Rain-wind / Thunderstorms (with snowfall over hills) is expected in Northern Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, AJ&K and Gilgit Baltistan and Islamabad whereas Dense Foggy Conditions in part of Sindh.

Under the influence of this weather system, following are likely impacts in Sindh: -

- i. Due to foggy conditions, day temperatures are likely to drop 3-5°C for next few days.
- ii. Cold weather conditions are likely to prevail in fog affected areas.
- iii. Exposure to foggy environment may cause health issues.
- iv. Flights, Railways and Highways / Motorways operations may be disrupted.
- v. Travelers are advised to remain cautious during the foggy days.

2. In view of the above, the Deputy Commissioner(s)/ Chairman DDMA(s), Line Departments and other relevant Authorities/ Stakeholders are requested to take necessary precautionary measures.


(AJAY KUMAR SEWANI)
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (OPS)

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9. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Environment, Climate Change & Coastal Development Department, Karachi.
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11. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Works and Services Departments Karachi.
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13. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Agriculture Department Karachi.
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21. The Director General, Sindh Building Control Authority, Karachi.
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**(AJAY KUMAR SEWANI)
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F.2 (E)/2024-NDMA (MW/Weather Advisory-XXVI)
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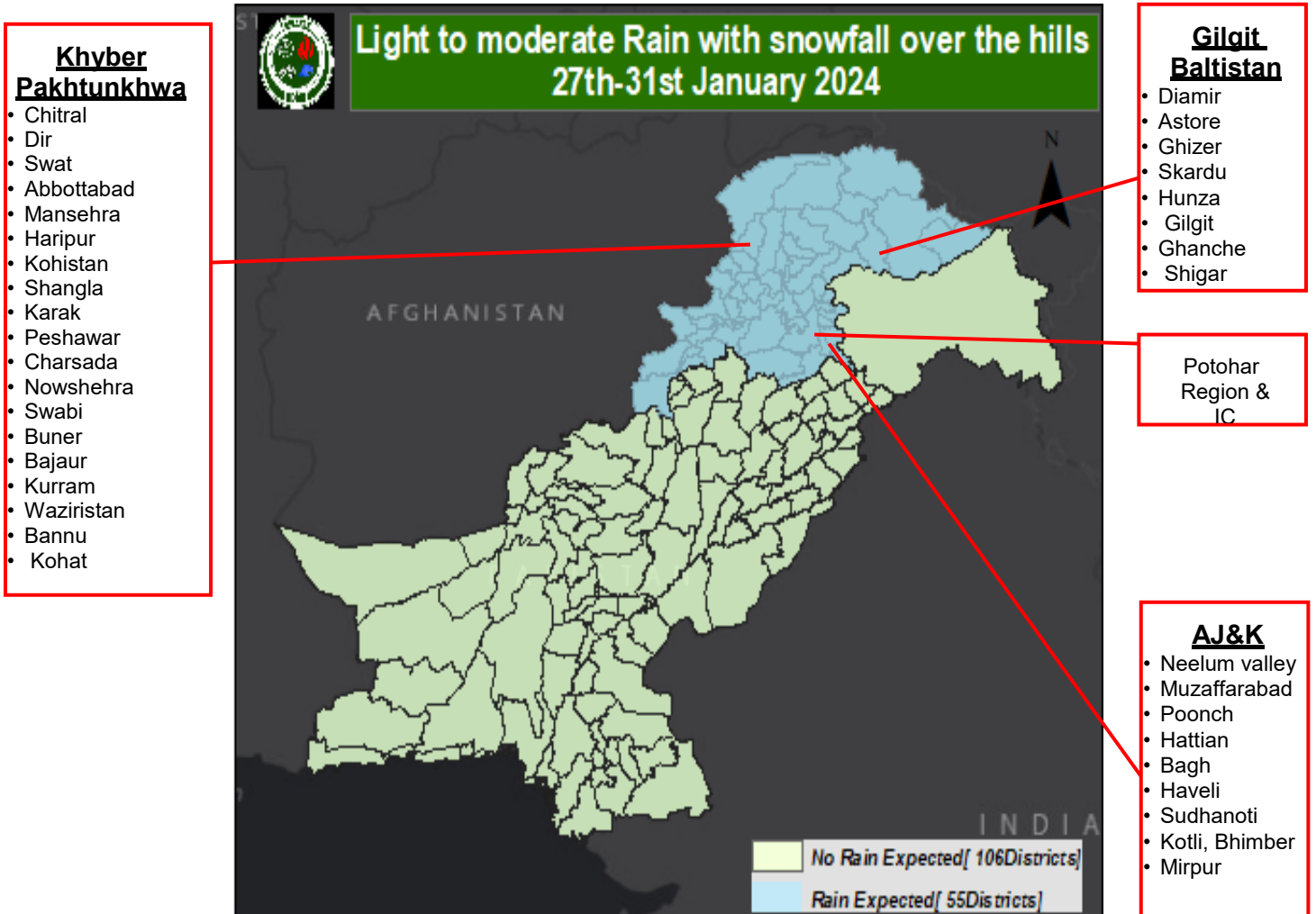
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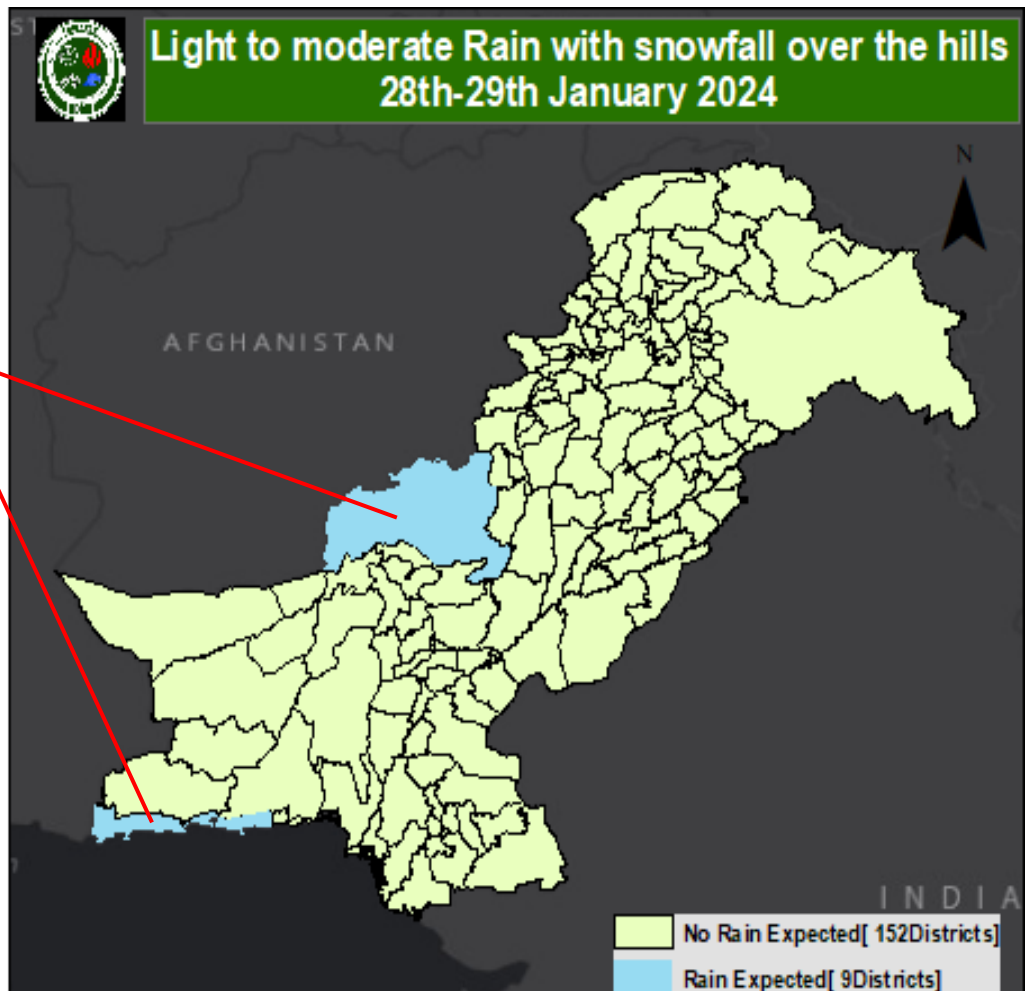
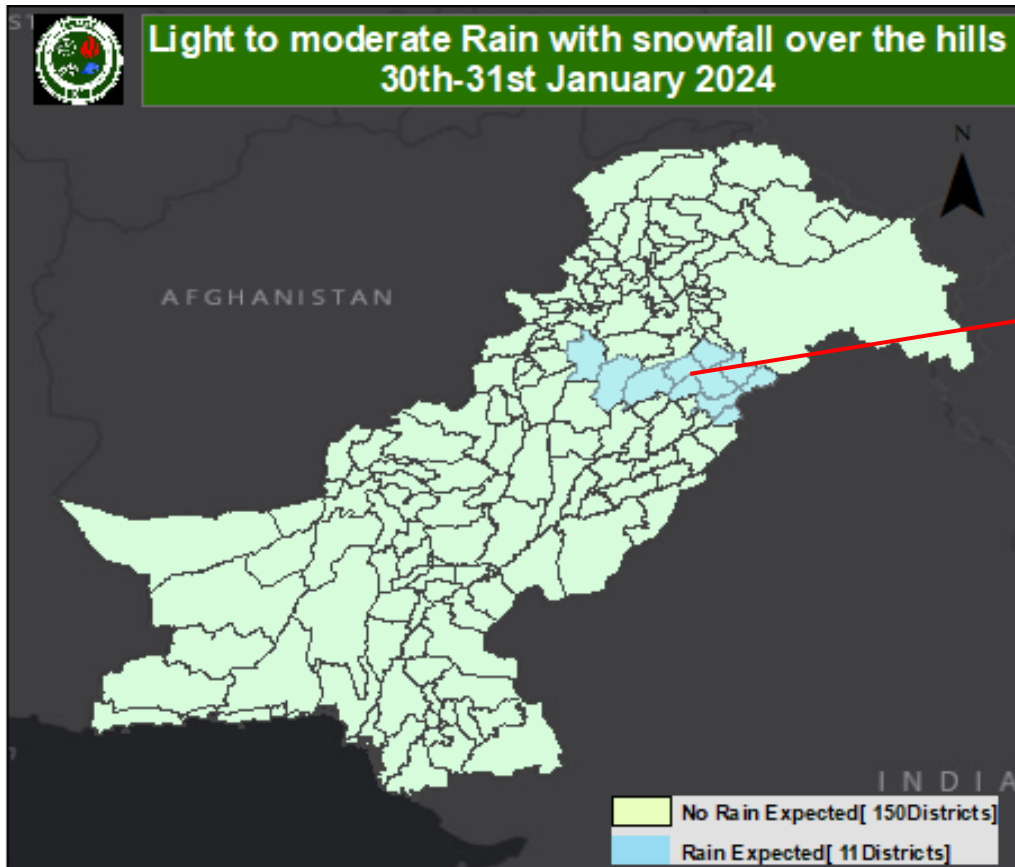
Subject: **Rain (With Snowfall Over Mountains) in from 27th to 31st January 2024**

Reference:

- A. Winter Guidelines vide NDMA letter No. F.2 (E)/2022-NDMA (MW/ Winters Gen-1) dated 1 November 2022.
- B. Winter Tourist Guidelines vide NDMA letter No. F.2 (E)/2022-NDMA (MW/WinterTourist-Guidelines-2022) dated 14 November 2022.

NDMA Tech Team and Pakistan Meteorological Department (*PMD Press Release at Annex-A*) have forecasted that **Light to Moderate Rain-wind / Thunderstorms (with snowfall over hills)** is expected in **Northern Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, AJ&K and Gilgit Baltistan and Islamabad** whereas **Dense Foggy** Conditions in part of **Sindh**.





2. Under the influence of this weather system, following are likely impacts: -

a. **Balochistan, KP, GB, Murree, Galliyat**

- (1) Snowfall may disrupt roads in Murree, Galliyat, Naran, Kaghan, Dir, Swat, Kohistan, Mansehra, Abbottabad, Shangla, Astore, Hunza, Skardu, Neelum valley, Bagh, Poonch and Haveli during the forecast period.
- (2) Tourists are advised to remain cautious during the spell and check weather updates before traveling.
- (3) Electricity / other utility services may get disrupted.
- (4) Landslides / mudslides leading to potential road blockages due to isolated rain spells and snowfall.
- (5) Anticipation of snowfall in mountainous regions.
- (6) Temperatures are likely to drop significantly.

b. **Sindh**

- (1) Due to foggy conditions, day temperatures are likely to drop 3-5°C for next few days.
- (2) Cold weather conditions are likely to prevail in fog affected areas.
- (3) Exposure to foggy environment may cause health issues.
- (4) Flights, Railways and Highways / Motorways operations may be disrupted.
- (5) Travelers are advised to remain cautious during the foggy days.

3. All PDMA's / GBDMA / SDMA and ICT Administration, NHA, NH&MP, FWO, Rescue 1122, Dam Authorities, Line Departments, Ministries and Federal Agencies are required to undertake measures as per respective mandates. However, following is to be ensured by all concerned, in addition to measures deemed appropriate as per on ground situation / requirements: -

- a. Ensure round-the-clock monitoring of the situation through EOCs with regular feedback to PEOCs and NEOC.
- b. Forewarn travelers / visitors about risks posed from flooding / landslides and likely snowfall over mountains and significant drop in temperatures in vulnerable locations and provide guidance and assistance in case of emergencies through local administration, police and rescue services.
- c. Conduct mass public awareness campaigns to educate residents and travelers in vulnerable areas about the risks of flash flooding / landslides / avalanche / blizzard and take precautionary measures.
- d. Ensure that in places where there is a high risk of urban floods, flash flooding, hill torrents and landslides - emergency services, personnel and equipment (such as Rescue 1122, Fire Brigade, Ambulance and Civil Defense, among others) are available.
- e. NH&MP and Traffic Police to issue Smog / Fog advisories and maintain traffic

control at Smog / fog peak hours.

- f. Preplace necessary emergency equipment at vulnerable / strategic locations to expedite response efforts and complete any stocking / replenishment of stocks.
 - g. NH&MP and Traffic Police to coordinate with Law Enforcement Agencies to manage and redirect traffic from affected areas to safer areas, to prevent congestion and facilitate emergency response efforts.
 - h. NHA / Line Departments to conduct regular inspections of critical infrastructure, such as bridges and roads, to identify and address any vulnerability that may lead to structural damage during heavy rainfall.
 - i. PMD / FFD / PDMA's / PIDs to proactively monitor nullahs / storm water drains to ensure their proper functioning and prevent blockages that may lead to inundation.
 - j. Ensure widespread circulation of alerts and advisories, especially in local languages, to raise awareness and sensitize travelers / tourists and local communities in at-risk / vulnerable areas.
 - k. Coordinate with relevant departments to secure loose structures such as electrical poles, solar panels, hoardings and under-construction buildings to mitigate potential damages from dust-wind / thunderstorms.
 - l. Advise general public to seek shelter in safe areas such as sturdy buildings or underground structures during dust-wind / hail-thunderstorms and avoid objects that pose a risk of falling / being struck by lightning.
 - m. Strengthen coordination among all relevant departments and agencies to facilitate the timely sharing of information and resources during emergency situations.
 - n. Establish reliable communication channels with local communities to provide timely updates, instructions and emergency contact information.
 - o. Advise farmers to take necessary mitigative and precautionary measures to safeguard their crops through timely harvesting, safe storage or any other precaution from adverse effects of dust-wind-thunderstorms / hailstorms and likely significant drop in temperatures.
 - p. Share daily / routine updates with NDMA in case of any eventuality.
3. **Press Information Department Only.** With the request to ensure wider circulation and public awareness.
 4. Forwarded for information / necessary action, please.



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Press Release:

Date: 26th January, 2024

Time: 13:00 PST

Rain with snowfall over the hills predicted in upper parts during coming days (with occasional gaps)
Dense Foggy conditions likely to weaken

Met Office informed that after a long dry period a westerly wave is likely to enter western parts of the country on 27th night, and may persist over upper parts till 31st January. Under the influence of this weather system:

Gilgit Baltistan/Kashmir: Light to moderate rain (with snowfall over the hills) is expected in Gilgit-Baltistan (Diamir, Astore, Ghizer, Skardu, Hunza, Gilgit, Ghanche, Shigar) Kashmir (Neelum valley, Muzaffarabad, Poonch, Hattian, Bagh, Haveli, Sudhanoti, Kotli, Bhimber, Mirpur) from **27th (night) to 31st January.**

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa: Light to moderate rain (with snowfall over the hills) is expected in Chitral, Dir, Swat, Abbottabad, Manshera, Haripur, Kohistan, Shangla, Bunner, Karak, Peshawar, Charsada, Nowshera, Swabi, Buner, Bajaur, Kurram, Waziristan, Bannu and Kohat from **27th (night) to 31st January.** with occasional gaps.

Punjab/Islamabad: Light to moderate rain is expected in Islamabad, Pothohar region from **27th (night) to 31st January.** Light to moderate rain (with snowfall over hills) in Murree and Galliyat during the period with occasional gaps, while in Gujranwala, Sialkot, Lahore, Narowal, Mandi Bahauddin, Mianwali and Sargodha on **30th / 31st January.** Cold and dry and foggy conditions during night and morning hours elsewhere in the province.

Balochistan: Light to moderate rain (with snowfall over the hills) is expected in Quetta, Zhob, Ziarat, Chamman, Barkhan and Makran coast (with occasional gaps) on **28th / 29th January.**

Sindh: Cold and dry weather is expected in most parts of the province with shallow to moderate foggy condition in upper Sindh.

Possible Impacts and advises:

- **Snowfall may disrupt roads in Murree, Galliyat, Naran, Kaghan, Dir, Swat, Kohistan, Mansehra, Abbottabad, Shangla, Astore, Hunza, Skardu, Neelum valley, Bagh, Poonch and Haveli during the forecast period.**
- **Tourists are advised to remain cautious during the spell.**
- **Rain may be beneficial for the standing crops in Barani areas of Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.**

Note: All concerned authorities are advised to remain "ALERT" and take necessary measures to avoid any untoward situation during the forecast period.

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آنے والے دنوں میں ملک کے بالائی علاقوں میں وقفے وقفے سے بارش اور پہاڑوں پر بر فباری کی پیشگوئی

شدید دھند کی شدت میں کمی کا امکان

محکمہ موسمیات کے مطابق طویل خشک موسم کے بعد بارش کا سبب بننے والی مغربی ہوائیں 27 (رات) سے ملک کے مغربی علاقوں میں داخل ہو گئی جو 31 جنوری تک بالائی علاقوں پر موجود رہیں گی۔ جس کے باعث:

گلگت بلتستان/ کشمیر: 27 (رات) سے 31 جنوری کے دوران گلگت بلتستان (دیپامیر، استور، غدر، اسکردو، ہنزہ، گلگت، گانچھے، شکر، کشمیر (واوی نیلم، مظفر آباد، پونچھ،

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خیبر پختونخوا: 27 (رات) سے 31 جنوری کے دوران چترال، دیر، سوات، ایبٹ آباد، مانسہرہ، ہری پور، کوہستان، شانگلہ، بونیر، کرک، پشاور، چارسدہ، نوشہرہ، صوابی، بونیر، باجوڑ، کرم، وزیرستان

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پنجاب/ اسلام آباد: 27 (رات) سے 31 جنوری کے دوران اسلام آباد اور خطہ پوٹھوہار میں وقفے وقفے سے ہلکی سے درمیانی بارش اور پہاڑوں پر بر فباری کا امکان۔ اس دوران، مری اور گلیات میں

بھی وقفے وقفے سے بارش اور پہاڑوں پر بر فباری کا امکان۔ 31/30 جنوری کو بھی گوجرانوالہ، سیالکوٹ، لاہور، ناروال، منڈی بہاوالدین، میانوالی اور سرگودھا میں بھی ہلکی سے درمیانی بارش کی

توقع۔ صوبہ کے دیگر علاقوں میں موسم سرد اور خشک جبکہ میدانی علاقوں میں رات اور صبح کے اوقات میں دھند چھائے رہے گی۔

بلوچستان: 28 اور 29 جنوری کو کوئٹہ، ڈوب، زیارت، چمن، بارکھان اور مکران کے ساحلی علاقوں میں وقفے وقفے سے ہلکی سے درمیانی بارش اور پہاڑوں پر بر فباری کا امکان۔

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