



No. PDMA(S)/7(78)/15/365-D  
**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: 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2022**

**WEATHER WARNING**

**Subject**      **DEPRESSION OVER THE NORTHEAST ARABIAN SEA – ALERT-III**

The Pakistan Meteorological Department vide its Alert-III dated 17th July, 2022 (2000 PST) has informed that, the Depression (Intense Low-Pressure Area) over Northeast Arabian Sea & adjoin Gulf of Kutch moved in west-northwest direction with a speed of 10 km/hr during last 12 hours and now lies centred around Latitude 23.5°N & Longitude 67.5°E, at a distance of about 160km south of Karachi and 140km from Thatta. Maximum sustained surface wind is 50-55 km/hour around the system centre. The system is likely to move westward (towards Oman coast). Under the influence of this weather system:

- Rain-wind-thunderstorms with a few heavy/very falls are likely in **Karachi, Hyderabad, Thatta, Badin, Mirpurkhas, Thaparker, Umerkot, Sanghar, Tando Muhammad Khan (TMK), Tando Allayar (TAY), Dadu and Jamshoro** districts of Sindh till tomorrow, 18 July (Monday).

**IMPACTS:**

- Sea conditions would remain very rough during next 2/3 days.
- Fishermen of Sindh are advised not to venture in open sea till 18 July night.
- Heavy rains may trigger water-logging/urban flooding in low-lying areas of Karachi, Hyderabad, Thatta, Badin, Dadu, Jamshoro & Kambar-Shahdadkot districts of Sindh.
- Windstorm may cause damage to loose & vulnerable structures.

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:

- Deputy Commissioners of Coastal Districts to ensure that fishermen do not venture in open sea till tomorrow i.e. 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2022
- Coordinate with all concerned authorities to ensure smooth flow of storm water drains in urban areas
- Ensure coordination with relevant authorities of Balochistan for information sharing about flows of Nullahs in adjoining areas of Balochistan and monitor their water level constantly, due to which flash flooding may occur in neighboring districts of Sindh
- Ensure availability of dewatering machines and the staff during rainfall.
- Ensure early warning mechanism for evacuation of vulnerable population in areas/ districts adjoining to Balochistan in case of flash flooding
- Improve coordination with emergency services, also with various line departments



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- 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.
- 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**

- 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)**  
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A copy is forwarded for information & necessary action to:

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



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10. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Environment, Climate Change & Coastal Development Department, Karachi
11. The Divisional 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, Karachi Nuclear Power Plant (KANUPP), Karachi.
15. The Director General Climate Change, Directorate of Climate Change Sindh, Karachi.
16. The Managing Director, Karachi Water and Sewerage Board.
17. The Managing Director, Sindh Tourism Development Corporation, Karachi.
18. The Deputy Controller, Directorate of Tourist Services, Karachi.
19. The Deputy Commissioner (s) / Chairmen DDMAs all in Sindh.
20. The Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Minister Sindh, Karachi.
21. The Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Secretary Sindh, Karachi.
22. The Director (Response), National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad.
23. The Head Quarters ComCoast Karachi
24. The Head Quarters ComKar, Karachi
25. The Head Quarters, 5 Corps, Karachi.
26. The Chief Executive Officer, HESCO/SEPCO/K-Electric (with a request to ensure availability of uninterrupted power supply to the Essential Services Department and Hospitals).
27. The Chief Executive, Edhi Foundation, Al Mustafa Welfare Trust, Alarngir Welfare Trust, Khidmate-Khaliq Foundation, Paksitan Red Crescent Sindh, Chhipa Welfare Organization
28. The Staff Officer to Chairman, National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad.
29. The PS to Advisor to Chief Minister Sindh, for Relief & Rehabilitation, Karachi.
30. The PS to Secretary to Government Sindh, Rehabilitation Department, Karachi.
31. The PS to Director General, Provincial Disaster Management Authority, Sindh, Karachi.