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Subject: Vigorous Monsoon – Torrential Rains in Sindh, Balochistan & S. Punjab

Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) has issued a weather advisory informing that monsoon currents are penetrating Upper & Central Parts of Country and another Strong Monsoon Low Pressure Area system is likely approaching Sindh, which is forecasted to continue from 13-17 July (Wed-Sun); details enclosed at *Annex-A*. All concerned Federal Ministries / Departments, respective Provincial Governments and their line departments including PIDs / PDMAs / GBDMA / SDMA, District Administrations / DDMAs, Municipal Administrations and City Administration of major metropolis are advised to ensure following: -

- a. All civic agencies / rescue services (Rescue 1122 / Fire Brigade / Ambulance / Civil Defence) to remain alert and ensure availability of personnel and equipment during the forecasted period, especially in at-risk urban areas.
- b. Alerting / enforcing restriction of vehicle movement in areas / nullahs prone to flash floods in at-risk areas, besides evacuation of at-risk communities living in water channels.
- c. Provision of POL for back-up generators at water pumping stations and timely pre-placement of de-watering pumps to respond to urban flooding in cities as highlighted in PMD advisory.
- d. Timely evacuation of at-risk population from low-lying / flood prone areas as per Evacuation Plans and availability of shelter, food and medicines in those shelter camps.
- e. DISCOs and relevant Local Administration / Departments to ensure that necessary arrangements are undertaken to avoid electrocution incidents and timely restoration of power supply.
- f. Mass awareness campaign for general public on urban flooding and associated risks in vulnerable areas on following aspects: -
 - (1) Avoid unnecessary movement in such areas.
 - (2) Risk and consequent danger of submerging of vehicles in such inundated low-lying areas.

- (3) Alerting masses living in low-lying areas to exercise extra caution including community-based alert system.
- (4) Risk of electrocution during heavy rain fall / urban flooding in major metropolises.
- (5) Evacuation plan of at-risk communities and its timely evacuation.
- g. Provision of relief / medical supplies to affectees in timely manner.
- h. LEAs along with Traffic police to advise travelers regarding likely situations / dangers of waterlogged areas and underpasses.
- i. Coordinate with concerned departments for clearance of roads in case of any landslides / blockage / obstruction, waterlogging and preplacing of necessary emergency equipment at vulnerable / appropriate locations.
- j. Travelers and Tourists may be diverted to safe lay-by / waiting areas with sufficient supply of water / food and essential medicines in case of adverse / dangerous road conditions by Police, NH&MP and Local Administrations.
- k. Billboards and hoardings are secured from effects of windstorms/ thundershowers.
- Local Administration / Police / Rescue Services to alert population residing in low lying areas.
- m. In case of any eventuality, twice-daily updates be shared with NDMA.
- 2. <u>Press Information Department Only</u>. With the request for wider circulation and public awareness.
- 3. Forwarded for information / necessary action, please.

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VIGOROUS MONSOON ACTIVITY DURING THE WEEK – TORRENTIAL RAINS IN SINDH, BALOCHISTAN & SOUTH PUNJAB (13-17 JULY)

Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) has informed that monsoon currents from the Bay of Bengal are continuously penetrating Upper & Central Parts of the Country, while another Strong Monsoon Low Pressure Area is likely to approach Sindh on 14 July (Thursday), under the influence of this system, following is expected: -

Islamabad Capital Territory

 More Intermittent Rain-wind / Thundershowers with isolated heavy falls expected in Islamabad from 13-15 July (Wednesday-Friday).

Balochistan

 More Widespread Intermittent Heavy to Very Heavy Rain-wind / Thundershowers expected in Awaran, Barkhan, Bolan, Dera Bugti, Jaffarabad, Jhalmagsi, Kalat, Khuzdar, Kohlu, Lasbela, Loralai, Naseerabad, Panjgur, Pasni, Sibbi, Turbat, Zhob and Ziarat from 14-17 July (Thursday-Sunday).

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

 More Intermittent Rain-wind / Thundershowers with isolated heavy falls expected in Abbottabad, Bannu, Haripur, Kohat, Kohistan, Kurram, Lakki Marwat, Mansehra, Mardan, Nowshera, Peshawar, Swabi and Swat from 13-15 July (Wednesday-Friday).

Punjab

More Intermittent Rain-wind / Thundershowers with isolated heavy falls expected in Attock, Bahawalnagar, Bahawalpur, Bhakkar, Chakwal, Dera Ghazi Khan, Faisalabad, Gujranwala, Gujrat, Hafizabad, Jhang, Jhelum, Khanpur, Lahore, Layyah, Mandi Bahauddin, Mianwali, Multan, Murree, Narowal, Okara, Rahim Yar Khan, Rajanpur, Rawalpindi, Sahiwal, Sargodha, Sheikhupura and Sialkot from 13-15 July (Wednesday-Friday).

Sindh

More Widespread Intermittent Heavy to Very Heavy Rain-wind /
Thundershowers expected in Badin, Dadu, Ghotki, Hyderabad, Jacobabad,
Jamshoro, Kashmore, Karachi, Larkana, Mirpurkhas, Mithi, Naushero Feroze,
Sanghar, Shaheed Benazirabad, Qambar Shahdadkot, Shikarpur, Sukkur,
Tharparkar, Thatta and Umerkot from 14-17 July (Thursday-Sunday).

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Azad Jammu & Kashmir

 More Intermittent Rain-wind / Thundershowers with isolated heavy falls expected in AJ&K from 13-15 July (Wednesday-Friday).

Possible Impacts

- Torrential rains may generate urban flooding in Karachi, Hyderabad, Thatta, Badin, Shaheed Benazirabad, Jamshoro, Mirpurkhas, Dadu, Umerkot, Jacobabad, Larkana, Sukkur, Awaran, Panjgur from 14-17 July (Thursday-Sunday).
- Torrential rains may also generate urban flooding in Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Peshawar, Nowshera, Mardan, Faisalabad, Lahore and Gujranwala from 13-14 July (Wednesday-Thursday).
- Flash Flooding is expected in Local Nullahs / Waterways of Kirthar Range, Bolan, Khuzdar, Lasbela, Barkhan, Naseerabad, Kohlu, Zhob, Sibbi and Hill Torrents of Dera Ghazi Khan from 14-16 July (Thursday-Saturday).
- Flash Flooding is also expected in Local Nullahs / Waterways of Islamabad, Rawalpindi,
 Abbottabad, Mansehra, Dir and AJ&K from 13-14 July (Wednesday-Thursday).
- Rainfall may trigger landslides in AJ&K, Galiyat, Murree, Chilas, Diamer, Gilgit, Hunza,
 Astore and Skardu during the forecasted period.
- Travellers and tourists are advised to **remain cautious** during the period.

NOTE: All concerned authorities are advised to remain ALERT & Take

Precautionary Measures during the forecasted period.