



F.2(E)/2026-NDMA (MW/Flash Flood Warning)
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Subject: **FLASH FLOOD WARNING - (7th & 8th APRIL 2026)**

According to the latest analysis of **Hydro-Meteorological models** and **Meteorological Conditions**, **River Kabul** at **Nowshera** is expected to attain **Low** to **Medium Flood Level** and **Flash Flooding** is also expected in its associated tributaries along with **Kohat Toi**, **Kurram & Gomal Rivers** and in **Nullahs** of **Kashmir**.

2. Additionally, **Urban flooding** is also expected in **Peshawar**, **Mardan** and **Nowshera** during the period.

3. Concerned authorities are advised to remain vigilant and take necessary precautionary measures. **PDMA/DDMAs & local administration** and **emergency services** should ensure readiness to respond to any untoward situation. Residents of vulnerable and low-lying areas, particularly near streams and nullahs, are advised to exercise caution and avoid unnecessary movement during the forecast period. Additionally, in response to recent incidents during flash floods, the NDMA has released official pictorial guidelines **Annex-A** for traveler and tourist to ensure safe road crossing and prevent future tragedies.

- a. Maintain **enhanced alert level / monitoring** of developing situation to reduce reaction / response times.
- b. All civil agencies / rescue services (Rescue 1122 / Fire Brigade / Ambulance / Civil Defence) to **remain alert and ensure availability of personnel and equipment** during this period, especially at-risk areas.
- c. Identification of **vulnerable points / at-risk communities** and devise **mitigation and safety measures**.
- d. **Launch urgent evacuation** of trapped population using boats, heavy vehicles and helicopters (if required).
- e. **Prioritize vulnerable groups** (women, children, elderly and persons with disabilities).
- f. Fully **operationalize pre-identified** relief camps with adequate capacity.
- g. **Deploy mobile medical units** and health teams in flood-hit areas.
- h. Maintain strict **control on vehicular movement** near inundated areas.
- i. Strengthen vulnerable embankments with sandbags and heavy machinery.
- j. Locals / farmers / cattle herders be **forewarned to shift cattle away from low lying areas** adjacent to **River & associated Nullahs**.
- k. Ensure availability of fodder for livestock at designated safe sites.

- l. Provision of **POL for back-up generators at water pumping stations** and timely **pre-placement of de-watering equipment for de-flooding**.
 - m. DISCOs and relevant Local Administration / Departments to **ensure that necessary arrangements are undertaken** to avoid electrocution incidents and timely restoration of power supply.
 - n. Coordinate with concerned departments for **clearance of roads** in case of any blockage / obstruction & waterlogging and pre-placing of necessary emergency equipment at vulnerable / appropriate locations.
 - o. Travelers and Tourists are **forewarned about risks posed at flood vulnerable locations and 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.
 - p. **Highlight critical** needs immediately for **federal support**.
4. **Flood Forecasting Division Only**. Please share regular updates on water flows on major rivers, **especially associated Nullahs every 3 hours** with NDMA.
 5. **Press Information Department Only**. With the request for **wider circulation and public awareness**.
 6. Forwarded for information / necessary action, please.



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FLOODED ROADS: SHOULD YOU CROSS?

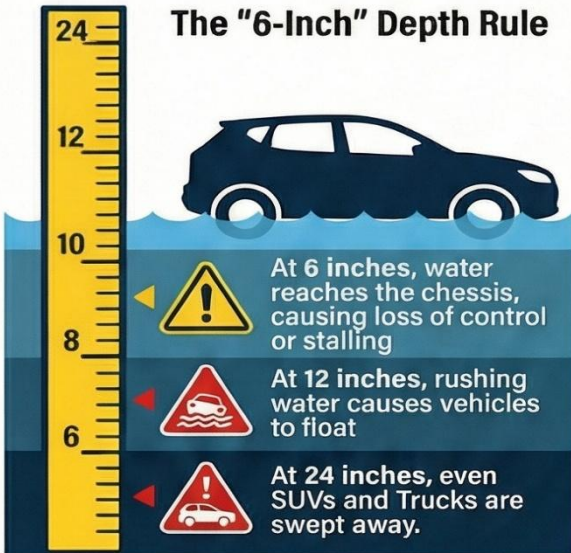
Seconds of caution can save your car and your life.

A quick evaluation of the water ahead is the difference between safety and a life-threatening stall.



PHASE 1: THE DECISION (RISK ASSESSMENT)

The "6-Inch" Depth Rule



The "Look" Phase Checklist



Check for road markings like the center line; if the water is too murky to see the pavement, you must **STOP**.



Beware of Hidden Hazards

Floodwaters often wash away the road surface underneath, creating invisible pits that can trap a vehicle.



Drive slowly and steadily in a low gear to push a small wave of water away from the engine bay.



PHASE 2: TECHNICAL RISKS & EXECUTION

The Engine Danger Zone



If water reaches the top of your wheel rims, it is at the level of the air intake, risking immediate engine failure.

Danger: Hydrolock

Sucking water into the air intake causes "Hydrolock," resulting in the instant and total destruction of the engine.



Safe Passage Protocol



Proceed in single file; never enter the water until the car ahead of you has completely cleared the flood zone.

Create a "Bow Wave"



PHASE 3: POST-EXIT RECOVERY



Immediate Brake Check

After exiting the water, tap your brakes lightly several times to generate friction.



Restore Stopping Power

Tapping the brakes clears moisture from the pads and rotors to restore full braking performance.



Official Warning from the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA):

TURN AROUND, DON'T DROWN!

This official warning from the NDMA serves as the final directive for all flood encounters.

