



Provincial Disaster Management Authority

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Dated Peshawar the 21st September, 2023

To

All Deputy Commissioners,
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

Subject: MORE RAIN-WIND/THUNDERSHOWER PREDICTED FROM FRIDAY TO SUNDAY

Dear Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject noted above and to state that Regional Meteorological Office, Peshawar informed that weak to moderate moist currents from Arabian Sea are likely to penetrate in upper parts of the country from **22nd September, 2023**. A westerly wave is also likely to affect upper parts on **22nd September**.

Under the influence of this weather system:

- Rain/wind-thundershower (**with few moderate to heavy falls**) is expected in Chitral, Dir, Swat, Shangla, Buner, Kurrum, Mansehra, Battagram, Torghar, Kohistan, Abbottabad, Haripur, Kohat, Peshawar, Mardan, Swabi, Charsadda and Nowshera from **22nd to 24th September** with occasional gaps.
- Rain/wind-thundershower is also expected in Lakki Marwat, Dera Ismail Khan, Bannu, Karak and Waziristan on **23rd & 24th September** with occasional gaps.

Possible Impacts:

- Landslides are likely to trigger in the hilly areas of Chitral, Dir, Swat, Kohistan, Shangla, Buner, Mansehra and Abbottabad from **22nd to 24th September**.
- Wind-thunderstorm may damage loose structures like electric poles, solar panels, trees etc.

It is therefore, requested to kindly take all precautionary measures in order to avoid/minimize human losses, livestock and/or any damages to infrastructure & crops. Furthermore, all concerned authorities requested to take following safety measures:

- a. Local administrations to assess and plan deployment of additional resources and exercise control over traffic leading to and in vicinity of vulnerable/ choke points/ tourist spots/ attractions and securing (by physical means and keeping people away) from loose structure such as buildings under constructions, advertisement hoardings, electric poles, solar panels etc. to prevent losses / damages and save precious lives.
- b. Engage local communities at traditionally / historically dangerous / hazard-prone sites to enable round the clock monitoring and establish feedback mechanism for early warnings and alerts for at-risk population. Advice concerned to keep monitoring on Rivers, Streams, Local/ Barsati Nullahs.
- c. Proactively maintain nullahs/ storm water drains to ensure their proper functioning and prevent blockages that may lead to urban flooding.



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- d. Ensure that drainage systems are clear of debris and obstacles to facilitate the efficient flow of water and minimize risk of urban flooding.
- e. Coordinates with relevant municipal administrations to ensure mitigation & preparedness measures for landslides/ urban flooding/ hill torrents and to secure or remove billboards/ hoardings in view of wind and thunderstorm.
- f. Farmers to be advised to take all necessary mitigative and precautionary measures to safeguard their crops, i.e., timely harvesting, safe storage or any other precaution from adverse effects of wind and thunderstorm.
- g. Cattle/ sheep herders to be advised to undertake necessary mitigative and precautionary measures to protect their livestock, i.e., safe sheltering or any other precaution from adverse effects of wind and thunderstorm.
- h. Travelers on Provincial & National Highways in at-risk / affected areas be forewarned of adverse conditions and detoured to safe waiting areas under guidance of respective local authorities, national highway & motorway police, LEAs etc.
- i. General public is advised to seek shelter in safe areas such as sturdy buildings or underground structures during wind-thunderstorm and avoid objects that pose a risk of failing or being struck by lightning.
- j. Ensure availability of emergency services personnel and equipment (Rescue 1122/ Fire Brigade/ Ambulance/ Civil Defense etc.) in areas at high risk of urban flooding, flash flooding, hill torrents and landslides.
- k. DDMUs to arrange and preplace necessary inventory and other essentials at strategic locations/ vulnerable/ choke points in coordination of NH&MP/ NHA/ FWO, local C&W, Rescue 1122 and line departments.
- l. In light of possible high flows in seasonal nullahs, LEAs are to ensure regulation of level crossing points and diversion of traffic in coordination with local administration.
- m. Ensure immediate stocking of basic commodities including paramedics & medicine especially in regions that are likely to get cut-off during landslides.
- n. Conduct mass public awareness campaigns to educate residents in vulnerable areas about the risk of urban flooding/ landslides and precautionary measures to take.
- o. 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.
- p. Ensure a pro-active approach by diverting traffic, providing alternate routes, imposing movement / travel restrictions, to avert any situation of road closure with stranded travelers in light of forecasted weather.
- q. Ensure round the clock monitoring of situation through Emergency Operation Center's (EOCs).
- r. In case of any occurrence, updates may kindly be shared with PEOC PDMA Khyber Pakhtunkhwa i.e., active round the clock via toll free helpline 1700.

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