



RAIN ALERT-8

MOST URGENT

By Fax

No. PDMA (S) / 7 (39) / 2015
**GOVERNMENT OF SINDH
REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT
PROVINCIAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT
AUTHORITY**

Karachi Dated: 25th July, 2015

The Secretary to Government of Sindh,
• Irrigation Department,
• Home Department,
• Health Department,
• Livestock & Fisheries Department,
• Local Government Department,
• Information & Archives Department,
Karachi

The Deputy Commissioner (s) / Chairman
District Governments / DDMA's, **(All)**

The Administrator,
KMC / HMC

The Administrator, DHA Karachi

The Chief Executive Officer
Cantonments, Karachi

The Commissioners (All)

The Managing Director,
KWSB / WASA (Hyd)

The Project Director,
Peoples Primary Healthcare
Initiatives, Sindh, Karachi

The Director General,
Sindh Building Control Authority,
Karachi

The Chief Executive Officer
K-Electric/HESCO/SEPCO

The Managing Director,
NSUSC, Sukkur

Subject: - **WIDESPREAD HEAVY RAINS EXPECTED IN SINDH**

I am directed to state that Pakistan Meteorological Department has informed that:

“Widespread rains with scattered heavy, at times very heavy falls, are expected in Sindh from Monday 27th July to Thursday 30th July, 2015. Heavy rains may generate flash flooding and urban flooding in the vulnerable area, and therefore, all concerned authorities are requested to take precautionary measures accordingly”.

2. It is therefore requested to ensure that all preparedness measures be put in place in your district, including activation of Rain Emergency Centre / District Emergency Operation Centre round the clock manned by well-versed staff and officers for an effective response mechanism including early warning and evacuation of vulnerable communities wherever required. It shall be ensured that sufficient resources including dewatering pumps are pre-deployed at low lying areas.

3. Since urban flooding in major cities cannot be ruled out, all out efforts be made to minimize the chances of hazards associated with rainfall and urban flooding. The following authorities are requested to take actions as mentioned below:

- I. **DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIONS / DDMA's:** (i) to take all precautionary measures to avoid any untoward situation. (ii) to monitor the overall situation including measures taken by relevant departments.

- II. **HEALTH / PPHI:** Ensure availability of all required medicines / vaccines and sufficient staff at hospitals;
- III. **LIVESTOCK & FISHERIES:** To ensure availability of sufficient vaccines and fodder for livestock.
- IV. **HOME DEPT.** To deploy appropriate police force to assist the district administration.
- V. **IRRIGATION DEPT:** To monitor the river situation and take appropriate precautionary measures as per contingency plan
- VI. **K-ELECTRIC/HESCO/SEPCO:** (i) Ensure uninterrupted power supply to pumping stations for drainage of rain water. (ii) Secure electric transmission lines in case of high winds. (iii) Ensure prompt action to avoid electrocution due to fallen electric wires.
- VII. **KWSB/WASA (HYD):** Ensure drainage of water from the low lying areas of the city.
- VIII. **DHA/CANTONMENTS:** (i) Removal of loose structures, billboards, hoardings, and (ii) drainage of rain water through the nallahs, etc.
- IX. **KMC / HMC / NSUSC / TMAs:** (i) To ensure that all the drainage/nallahs have been cleaned to facilitate smooth and quick drainage of water. (ii) Upkeep of Dewatering Pumps, Pumping Stations and other machinery to timely drain the water.
- X. **SBCA:** To take timely necessary preemptive action with reference to old/dangerous building structure prone to structure collapse.
- XI. **INFORMATION DEPT:** To ensure timely dissemination of information through print and electronic media.

4. It is requested to kindly keep the PDMA Sindh promptly informed (via return fax on **021-99251463**) regarding implementation of this 'alert' and also in pursuance of your District Disaster Management Plans and also keep PDMA informed on the District Emergency Operation Centers, contact number and contact person, resource earmarked by the respective DDMA's to combat the current situation.

5. The Provincial Emergency Operation Center (PEOC) at PDMA Head Office is working round the clock for coordination. The contact numbers are as under:

PEOC: **021-99239524**
Fax: **021-99251463**
PDMA Office: **021-99251458**
Email: mshayyanshah@hotmail.com, ad_pdma@yahoo.com

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Copy for information and necessary action to:

1. The Senior Member Board of Revenue, Sindh, Karachi.
2. The Secretary to Governor Sindh, Karachi
3. The Secretary to Chief Minister, Sindh, Karachi
4. The COMCOAST, Karachi.
5. The Director (Response), National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad
6. The Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Secretary Sindh for kind information
7. The Head Quarters Engineers 5 Corps, Karachi.
8. The Deputy Director, PDMA Regional Directorate, Hyderabad / Sukkur
9. The PS to Minister for Rehabilitation and Disaster Management, GoS, Karachi
10. The Staff Officer to Chairman National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad
11. PS to Secretary Rehabilitation, Government of Sindh, Karachi
12. PS to DG PDMA Sindh, Karachi