

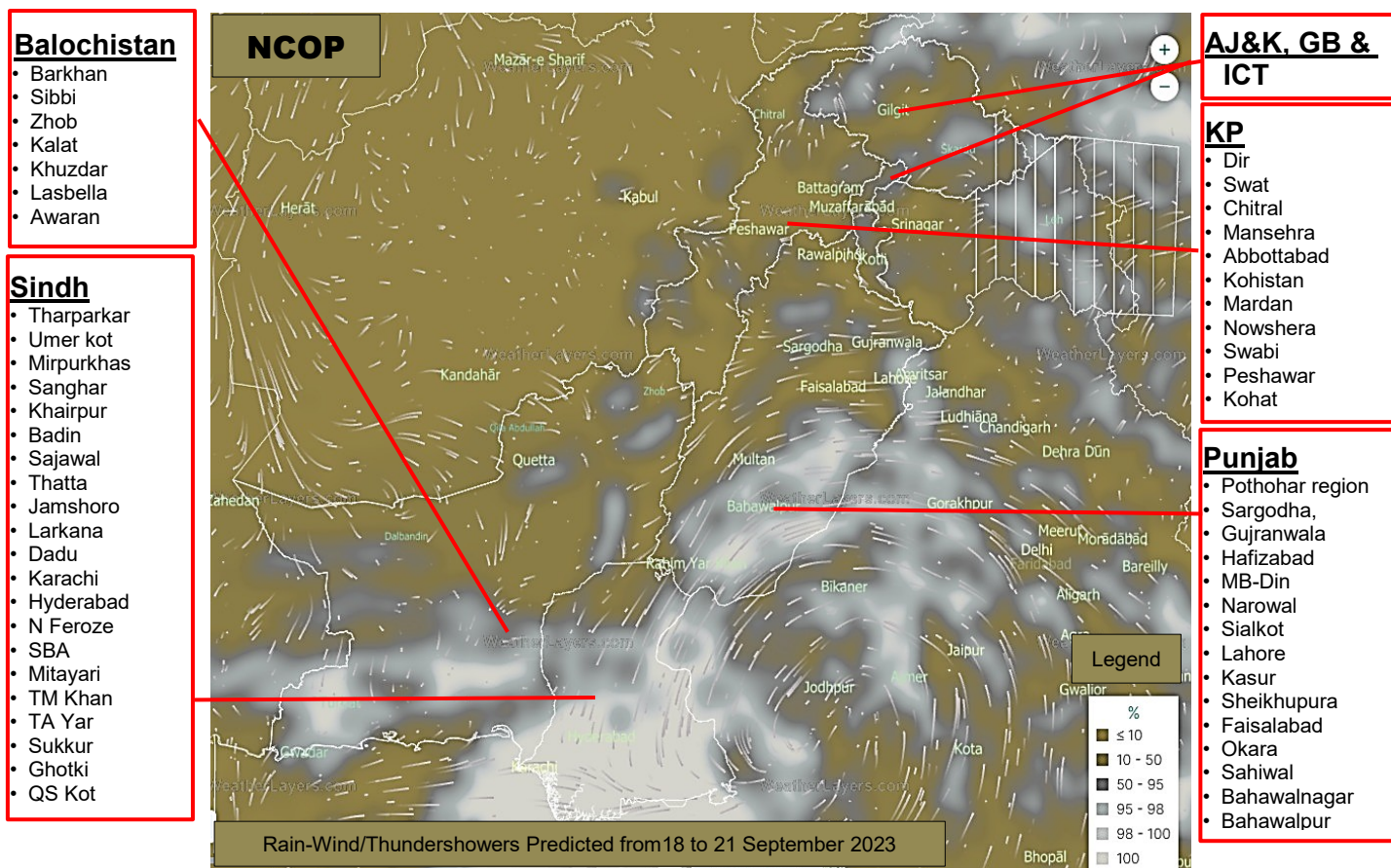


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**Subject: More Rain-Wind/Thundershowers Predicted in Coming Days with Occasional Gaps
18th to 21st September 2023**



Likely Impacts

Under the influence of this weather system (PMD Press Release at **Annex-A**), following are the likely impacts: -

- a. **Sindh, South Punjab and Parts of Balochistan**
 - (1) Inundation of low-lying areas.
 - (2) Urban flooding in metropolises.
 - (3) Flash/ Localized flooding in Nullahs.
 - (4) Damage to loose structures like pylons, solar panels, under construction buildings, hoardings etc.
 - (5) Damaged to Crops and livestock.
 - (6) Disruption of Electricity/ other utility services.
- b. **KP, GB, AJ&K and Balochistan.** Landslide/ mudslide and possible road blockage in hilly area.

2. All PDMA/ GBDMA/ SDMA and ICT Administration, NHA, NH&MP, FWO, Rescue 1122, Dam Authorities, Line Departments, Ministries and Federal Agencies are required to undertake measures as per respective mandates. However, following is to be ensured by all concerned in addition to measures deemed appropriate as per on ground situation/ requirements: -

- a. PMD/ FFD/ PDMA/ PIDs to monitor water levels in rivers, streams, and urban drainage systems continuously to detect any signs of rising water and initiate early response measures.
- b. Tarbela & Mangla Dam Authorities are to ensure proactive planning and operation of dam spillways in coordination with all downstream stakeholders in light of forecasted rain spell.
- c. Proactively maintain nullahs/stormwater drains to ensure their proper functioning and prevent blockages that may lead to flooding.
- 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. PDMA/ GBDMA/ SDMA to identify areas prone to urban flooding and implement measures such as deploying de-watering pumps to divert/ drain excess water.
- f. Ensure the availability of emergency services personnel and equipment (Rescue 1122 / Fire Brigade/ Ambulance / Civil Defence, etc) in areas at high risk of urban flooding, flash flooding, hill torrents and landslides.
- g. Preplace necessary emergency equipment at vulnerable / strategic locations to expedite response efforts.
- h. NH&MP and Traffic Police to coordinate with Law Enforcement Agencies to manage and redirect traffic in affected areas to prevent congestion and facilitate emergency response efforts.
- i. Coordinate with concerned departments (NHA, FWO, and C&W) for the restoration of roads in case of any blockage/obstruction.
- j. Ensure immediate stocking of basic commodities, including paramedics and medicine, especially in regions that are likely to get cut-off during landslides/ avalanches / flooding.
- k. NHA / Line Departments to conduct regular inspections of critical infrastructure, such as bridges and roads, to identify and address any vulnerabilities that may lead to structural damage during heavy rainfall.
- l. Coordinate with relevant departments to secure loose structures such as electrical poles, solar panels, hoardings, and under-construction buildings to mitigate potential damages from dust-wind/thunderstorms.
- m. Advise general public to seek shelter in safe areas such as sturdy buildings or underground structures during dust-wind/hail-thunderstorms and avoid objects

that pose a risk of falling / being struck by lightning.

- n. Conduct mass public awareness campaigns to educate residents in vulnerable areas about the risks of urban flooding / landslides and precautionary measures to take.
 - o. Forewarn travelers/ visitors about risks posed from flooding/ landslides in vulnerable locations and provide guidance and assistance in case of emergencies through local administration, police and rescue services.
 - p. Advise farmers to take necessary mitigative and precautionary measures to safeguard their crops, such as timely harvesting, safe storage, or any other precautions from adverse effects of dust-wind-thunderstorms/ hailstorms.
 - q. Advise cattle/sheep herders to undertake necessary mitigative and precautionary measures to protect their livestock, such as safe sheltering or any other precautions from adverse effects of dust-wind-thunderstorms/ hailstorms.
 - r. Strengthen coordination among all relevant departments and agencies to facilitate the timely sharing of information and resources during emergency situations.
 - s. Establish reliable communication channels with local communities to provide timely updates, instructions, and emergency contact information during monsoon season.
 - t. 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.
 - u. Ensure round-the-clock monitoring of the situation through EOCs with regular feedback to PEOCs and NEOC.
 - v. Share daily/ routine updates with NDMA in case of any eventuality.
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Met Office informed that a low pressure area (LPA) is located over Southeast of Rajasthan (India) and likely to move south westwards during next 48 hours. Under the influence of this:

- Rain/wind-thundershowers (with moderate to isolated heavy falls) is expected in Lower Sindh (Tharparkar, Umerkot, Mirpurkhas, Sanghar, Khairpur, Badin, Sajawal, Thatta, Jamshoro, Larkana, Dadu, Karachi, Hyderabad, Naushahro Feroze, Shaheed Benazirabad, Mitayari, Tando Muhammad Khan, Tando Allah Yar while, at isolated places in Sukkur, Ghotki, Qambar Shahdadkot, Barkhan, Sibbi, Zhob, Kalat, Khuzdar, Lasbella and Awaran from **18th (evening/night) to 20th September**.
- Rain/wind-thunderstorm Kashmir, Gilgit Baltistan, Islamabad, North & Eastern Punjab (Pothohar region, Sargodha, Gujranwala, Hafizabad, Mandi Bahauddin, Narowal, Sialkot, Lahore, Kasur, Sheikhpura, Faisalabad, Okara, Sahiwal, Bahawalnagar, Bahawalpur), Upper Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (Dir, Swat, Chitral, Mansehra, Abbottabad, Kohistan, Mardan, Nowshera, Swabi, Peshawar and Kohat) from **18th (evening/night) to 21st September** with occasional gaps.

Impacts and Advises:

- Few heavy to isolated very heavyfalls may inundate low lying areas in Thatta, Badin, Sajawal, Umerkot, Tharparkar and Mirpurkhas from **18th (night) to 20th September**.
- Farmers are advised to manage their crop activities accordingly.
- Tourists and travelers are advised to remain cautious to avoid any untoward situation during the period.
- Wind-thunderstorm may damage loose structures like electric poles, solar panels etc.
- General public is advised to stay at safe places during wind-storm/lightning/heavy rains.

NOTE:

All concerned authorities are advised to remain ALERT and take necessary precaution measure during the forecast period.

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