



No. PEOC-2024/20
BOARD OF REVENUE, PUNJAB
PROVINCIAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
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Dated 15th April, 2024



IMPORTANT

WEATHER ADVISORY / ALERT

To:

1. Secretaries to Govt. of the Punjab,
 - i. Irrigation Department
 - ii. Communication and Works Department
 - iii. Health Department
 - iv. HUD & PHED Department
 - v. Forest Department
 - vi. Livestock Department
 - vii. LG & CD Department
 - viii. Information Department
2. All Divisional Commissioners in Punjab
3. Director General Rescue 1122, Lahore
4. All Deputy Commissioners/ Chairman DDMA's in Punjab
5. All Managing Directors, WASA
6. Additional IG Operations, Punjab Police, Lahore
7. Director Civil Defense, Lahore

Subject: MORE RAINS-WIND/THUNDERSTORM PREDICTED DURING THE WEEK (WITH OCCASIONAL GAPS)

REFERENCE:

- i. Weather advisory vide Pakistan Meteorological Department letter no. NWFC-5 (10A)/2017/72, dated April 15, 2024. (copy enclosed)
 - ii. NDMA Weather Advisory letter no. F.2 (E)/2024-NDMA (MW/Weather Advisory-XXXIV) dated April 15, 2024.
 - iii. Chief Minister's Office, Punjab letter no. DS(WELFARE)/CMO/24/OT-47/125, dated April 15, 2024. (copy enclosed)
2. Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) informed that **rain-wind/thunderstorm (with few heavy falls/hailstorm)** is expected in **Murree, Galliyat, Islamabad/Rawalpindi, Attock, Chakwal, Jhelum, Mandi Bahauddin, Gujrat, Gujranwala, Hafizabad, Sialkot, Narowal, Lahore, Kasur, Okara, Faisalabad, Toba Tek Singh, Jhang, Khushab, Sargodha, Mianwali, Pakpattan**

and Sahiwal from 18th to 21st April. While, in **Dera Ghazi Khan, Rajanpur, Bhakkar, Layyah, Multan, Kot Addu, Muzaffargarh, Rahim Yar Khan, Sadiqabad, Khanpur, Bahawalpur and Bahawalnagar** with occasional gaps **from 18th to 20th April:**

3. Alert regarding these spells of rains from 18th to 21st April, 2024, in the Punjab has already been issued to field formations vide letter No PEOC-2024/19. However, as per directions of honorable Chief Minister Punjab, all the District Administrations in the province and concerned lead agencies must take effective steps in close coordination with all relevant departments to ensure public safety at large. Maximum care should also be taken to ensure the safety of livestock in rural areas. (copy enclosed)

4. Under the influence of this weather system, following impacts are predicted:

- i. Landslide may disrupt roads in Murree, Galiyat, and surrounding during the forecast period.
- ii. Hill torrents are expected in DG Khan and Rajanpur.
- iii. Heavy Rainfall may generate flash flooding in local nullahs / streams and river tributaries.
- iv. Windstorms / Hailstorms may damage crops, loose structures, etc.
- v. Thunderstorms to increase risk of lightning strikes.
- vi. Electricity / other utility services may get disrupted.
- vii. Farmers are advised to remain extra cautious and plan agricultural activity accordingly during the spell.
- viii. Tourists are advised to remain cautious during the spell and check weather updates before traveling.
- ix. Temperatures are likely to drop during the wet spell.

5. In view of above, it is reiterated that all the administrative secretaries Deputy Commissioners/ Chairman DDMA's/ Field formations are requested to maintain high level of preparedness and ensuring the following measures:-

- a. **Deputy Commissioners to issue early warnings/ awareness through local media/ TV cables/ announcements, revenue staff and all other available means to alert general public to avoid unnecessary travelling or stay under open sky during thunderstorm/ sky lightening/ hailstorm.**

- b. Ensure round-the-clock monitoring of the situation through DEOCs give regular feedback to PEOC/ Provincial Control Room of PDMA.
- c. DDMA/ District Administration are advised to relocate families to safe sites and shelters from mud houses in order to prevent casualties.
- d. Forewarn travelers / visitors about risks posed from flooding / landslides and likely snowfall over mountains in vulnerable locations and provide guidance and assistance in case of emergencies through local administration, police and rescue services.
- e. Ensure that in places where there is a high risk of urban floods, flash flooding, hill torrents and landslides - emergency services, personnel and equipment (such as Rescue 1122, Fire Brigade, Ambulance and Civil Defense, among others) are available.
- f. Preplace necessary emergency equipment at vulnerable / strategic locations to expedite response efforts and complete stocking / replenishment of stocks.
- g. NH&MP and Traffic Police to coordinate with Law Enforcement Agencies to manage and redirect traffic from affected areas to safer areas, to prevent congestion and facilitate emergency response efforts.
- h. NHA / Line Departments to conduct regular inspections of critical infrastructure, such as bridges and roads, to identify and address any vulnerability that may lead to structural damage during heavy rainfall.
- i. PMD / FFD / DDMA's to proactively monitor nullahs / storm water drains, to ensure their proper functioning and prevent blockages that may lead to inundation.
- j. 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.
- k. 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.

- l. Conduct mass public awareness campaigns to educate residents and travelers in vulnerable areas about the risks of flash flooding / landslides / avalanche / blizzard and take precautionary measures.
- 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. Strengthen coordination among all relevant departments and agencies to facilitate timely sharing of information and resources during emergency situations.
- o. Establish reliable communication channels with local communities to provide timely updates, instructions and emergency contact information.
- p. Advise farmers to take necessary mitigative and precautionary measures to safeguard their crops through timely harvesting, safe storage or any other precaution from adverse effects of dust-wind-thunderstorms / hailstorms and likely drop in temperatures.
- q. Share daily / routine updates with PDMA Punjab in case of any eventuality.

6. **DG Public Relations Punjab** with the request to ensure wider circulation and public awareness.

7. Forwarded for information / necessary action, please.



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NO.DS(WELFARE)/CMO/24/OT-47/1257
**CHIEF MINISTER'S OFFICE
PUNJAB**

Dated Lahore, the 15th April, 2024

Subject: **HIGH ALERT TO COPE WITH EXPECTED HEAVY SPELL OF RAINS
FROM 18th TO 21st OF APRIL, 2024 IN PUNJAB**

Reference above cited subject, Honorable Chief Minister, Punjab has desired to keep all relevant provincial departments including Divisional / District Administration and Police on high alert to cope with expected heavy spell of rains from 18th to 21st of April, 2024 in a satisfactory manner. Relevant departments must issue timely warning to people of low-laying areas and make arrangements for their shifting to safer places to ensure their safety and security. They must take all preventive measures to avoid any untoward situation during such period.

2. Furthermore, Chief Minister has desired that the public should be warned about the situation in advance. Help should be taken from media, social media and mobile alerts service in this regard.

3. Accordingly, it has been desired by the Chief Minister that all the District Administrations in the Province and concerned lead agencies like Board of Revenue, PDMA, Rescue 1122 and WASA must take effective steps in advance in close coordination with all the relevant departments to ensure public safety at large. Maximum care should also be taken to ensure safety of livestock in rural areas.

4. Above directions of the Chief Minister may kindly be communicated to all concerned for needful action.

(SAJID ZAFAR DALL)
Principal Secretary to Chief Minister
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CHIEF SECRETARY, PUNJAB

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- i. PSO to Chief Minister, Punjab.
- ii. Deputy Secretary (Welfare), CMO (for record and follow up).

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Date: April 15th, 2024
Time: 12:00 PST

ویدارپنڈا ایئر پورٹ

دوران ہفتہ کے دوران وقفے وقفے سے آندھی اور گرج چمک کے ساتھ مزید بارشوں کی پیش گوئی

مخبر موسمیات کے مطابق مغربی ہواؤں کا ایک اور سلسلہ 16 اپریل کی رات کو بلوچستان کے مغربی علاقوں میں داخل ہو گا۔ 17 اپریل کو بلوچستان کے بیشتر اضلاع کو اپنی لہرت میں لے گا اور 18 اپریل کو ملک کے باہری علاقوں تک پھیل جانے لگا۔ جس کے باعث:

بلوچستان: 16 (رات) سے 19 اپریل کی (صبح) کے دوران گورد، کچھ، آواران، چانئی، خدان، آواران، لوسیل، خضدار، قلات، نوشہی، مستونگ، جھل مسمی، نصیر آباد، سی، کوہلو، زین، گمش، بدکھان، نورانی، سرانی، قلعہ سیف اللہ، مستونگ، زپارت، شیرانی، ڈوب، موٹی ٹیل اور بدکھان میں آندھی اور گرج چمک کے ساتھ بارش اور بعض مقامات پر شدید موسلا حد بارش کا بھی امکان۔

مخبر پختونخوا: 17 (رات) سے 21 اپریل کے دوران جڑال، دیر، سوات، ایبٹ آباد، ماہرہ، جری پور، کوہستان، شانگلہ، بنیر اور جالاکڑ، وزیرستان، کوہاٹ، مکی مراد، ہنوں، باغ، ماہا ٹیل خان، پاجڑ، محمد، کرک، خیمبر، پشاور، چارسدہ، نوشہرہ، صوابی، مردان اور کرم میں آندھی اور گرج چمک کے ساتھ وقفے وقفے سے بارش اور بعض مقامات پر شدید موسلا حد بارش اور پختہ و پلاپہاڑوں پر قبضہ کا امکان۔

گلگت بلتستان: 18: 22 اپریل کے دوران گلگت بلتستان (ڈیپا، ایستور، غلزار، ماسکو، ہنزہ، گلگت، گالچھے، شکر، کشمیر (دوئی ٹیم، مظفر آباد، کوٹ، پچ پھو، ہلیاں، باغ، نوشہی، سدھوتی، کوٹلی، جمشیر، پورامش، تیرہواں اور گرج چمک کے ساتھ وقفے وقفے سے بارش اور بعض مقامات پر موسلا حد بارش اور پختہ و پلاپہاڑوں پر قبضہ کا امکان۔

پنجاب/اسلام آباد: 18 سے 21 اپریل کے دوران سری، گلگت، اسلام آباد، راولپنڈی، ٹانک، چکوال، جھلم، منڈلی بہاؤ الدین، گجرات، گوجرانوالہ، حافظ آباد، سیالکوٹ، ہرودیل، لاہور، قصور، اوکاڑہ، فیصل آباد، ٹوبہ ٹیک سنگھ، بہنگ، خوشاب، سرگودھا، میانوالی، پاکپتن اور ساہیوال میں وقفے وقفے سے آندھی اور گرج چمک کے ساتھ بارش اور بعض مقامات پر موسلا حد بارش اور اڑال، ہڈی کا امکان۔ جبکہ 18 سے 20 اپریل کے

دوران زیر، مظاہر، شان، راجن پور، بکرا، ملتان، کوٹ، لاہور، مظفر گڑھ، رحیم یار خان، سواتی، پشاور، خیبر پختونخوا، کوٹلی، پشاور اور بہاولنگر میں وقفے وقفے سے آندھی اور گرج چمک کے ساتھ بارش کا امکان۔

سندھ: 17 (رات) سے 19 اپریل کی (صبح تک) کراچی، مینر آباد، سکھر، حیدر آباد، کشور، لاہانگانہ، دودھ، قمبر، شہداد کوٹ، مہاشور، داور، ساٹھوڑ میں تیز ہواؤں اور گرج چمک کے ساتھ بارش کا امکان۔

نوٹ: اثرات اور امتیازی تدابیر:

- 17 اور 18 اپریل کو شدید موسلا حد بارش کے باعث بلوچستان کے تہی اور برساتی تہیوں خصوصاً گورد، کچھ، آواران اور قلات کا جبکہ 18 سے 20 اپریل کے دوران دیر، سوات، جڑال، کوہستان اور ماہرہ کے مقامی تہیوں اور دریاؤں سے ملحق علاقوں میں طوفانی طغیانی۔
- 18 سے 21 اپریل کے دوران تیز بارش کے باعث ہائی مخیر پختونخوا، سری، گلگت، کشمیر اور گلگت بلتستان میں لینڈ سلائیڈنگ کا بھی خدشہ۔
- آندھی اور گرج چمک اور تیز بارش کے باعث کوئی فصلوں، کوہ، اونٹنوں، گاؤں کے گھبے، گاؤں، سڑکوں اور فیرواگتوں کا خدشہ۔
- کسان حضرات اپنی فصلوں خصوصاً گندم کی کٹائی کے علاقوں میں موسم کو مد نظر رکھتے ہوئے اپنے معمولات ترتیب دیں۔
- تیز ہواؤں کے دوران میں حضرات غیر ضروری سفر سے احتیاط کریں۔
- بارشوں کے باعث درجہ حرارت میں نمایاں کمی کا امکان۔
- نوٹ: تمام ملحقہ اداروں کو اس دوران "ہارٹ" کرنے کی ہدایت کی جاتی ہے۔

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Date: 15th April, 2024
Time: 12:00 PST

Weather Advisory:

More rains-wind/thunderstorm predicted during the week (with occasional gaps)

Met Office informed that another strong westerly wave is likely to enter western parts of the country on 16th April (night) and likely to grip most parts of Balochistan on 17th April and will extend to upper parts on 18th April. Under the influence of this weather system:

Balochistan: Rain-wind/thunderstorm (*few heavy, with isolated very heavy falls*) is expected in **Gwadar, Kech, Awaran, Chagi, Kharan, Awaran, Lasbella, Khuzdar, Kalat**, Noushki, Mastung, Jhal Magsi, Naseerabad, Sibbi, Kohlu, Dera Bugti, Barkhan, Loralai, Harnai, Qilla Saifullah, Mastung, Ziarat, Shirani, Zhub, Musa Khel and Barkhan from **16th (night) to 19th April (morning)**.

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa: Rain-windstorm/thunderstorm (*few heavy, with isolated very heavy falls*) with snowfall over high mountains is expected in Chitral, Dir, Swat, Abbottabad, Manshera, Haripur, Kohistan, Shangla, Buner and Malakand, Waziristan, Kohat, Lakki Marwat, Bannu, Dera Ismail Khan, Bajaur, Mohmand, Karak, Khyber, Peshawar, Charsadda, Nowshera, Swabi, Mardan and Kurram with occasional gaps from **17th (night) to 21st April**. **Hailstorm is also expected at isolated places during the forecast period.**

Gilgit-Baltistan/Kashmir: Rain-wind/thunderstorm (*few heavy falls*) with snowfall over high mountains is expected in Gilgit-Baltistan (Diamir, Astore, Ghizer, Skardu, Hunza, Gilgit, Ghanche, Shigar), Kashmir (Neelum valley, Muzaffarabad, Rawalakot, Poonch, Hattian, Bagh, Haveli, Sudhanoti, Kotli, Bhimber, Mirpur) with occasional gaps from **18th to 22nd April**.

Punjab/Islamabad: Rain-wind/thunderstorm (*with few heavy falls/hailstorm*) is expected in Murree, Galliyat, Islamabad/Rawalpindi, Attock, Chakwal, Jhelum, Mandi Bahauddin, Gujrat, Gujranwala, Hafizabad, Sialkot, Narowal, Lahore, Kasur, Okara, Faisalabad, Toba Tek Singh, Jhang, Khushab, Sargodha, Mianwali, Pakpattan and Sahiwal from **18th to 21st April**. While, in Dera Ghazi Khan, Rajanpur, Bhakkar, Layyah, Multan, Kot Addu, Muzaffargarh, Rahim Yar Khan, Sadiqabad, Khanpur, Bahawalpur and Bahawalnagar with occasional gaps from **18th to 20th April**.

Sindh: Rain-wind/thunderstorm is expected in Karachi, Hyderabad, Sukkur, Jacobabad, Kashmore, Larkana, Dudu, Qambar Shahdad Kot, Jamshoro and Sanghar from **17th (night) to 19th April (morning)**.

Possible Impacts and advises:

- Heavy rainfall may generate flash flooding in local nullahs/Streams of Balochistan specially (Gwadar, Kech, Awaran, Kalat, Khuzdar) on 17th & 18th April, while Dir, Swat, Chitral, Kohistan, Manshera, Tributaries of Kabul River, Gilgit-Baltistan and Kashmir from 18th to 20th April.
- Possibility of landslides in Upper Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Murree, Galliyat, Kashmir and Gilgit Baltistan and may affect the vulnerable locations from 18th to 21st April.
- Windstorm/hailstorm and lightning may damage standing crops, loose structures like electric poles, vehicles and solar panels etc during the period.
- Farmers especially in wheat harvested areas are advised to manage their crops keeping in view the weather conditions.
- Tourists are advised to avoid unnecessary traveling during the forecast period.
- Temperatures are likely to drop during the wet spell.

Note: All concerned authorities are advised to remain "ALERT" and take necessary measures to avoid any untoward situation during the forecast period.

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