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## RAIN PREDICTION IN UPPER AND CENTRAL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY FROM WEDNESDAY TO SATURDAY (4<sup>TH</sup> -7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020)

According to Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD), strong Westerly Weather System is likely to enter in the upper parts of the country on **Wednesday** (4<sup>th</sup> March 2020). It is likely to grip the upper and central parts of the country on **Thursday** (5<sup>th</sup> March 2020), which will persist till **Saturday** (7<sup>th</sup> March 2020). Under the influence of this weather system following weather is expected;

- Widespread rain with wind-thunderstorm is expected in most parts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Kashmir, Gilgit-Baltistan, Islamabad, Punjab province (Rawalpindi, Attock, Jhelum, Chakwal, Mianwali, Sargodha, Khusab, Bhakkar, Faisalabad, Jhang, Toba Tek Singh, Sheikhupura, Lahore, Gujranwala, Sialkot, Gujrat, Hafizabad and Narowal Districts) from Wednesday (4<sup>th</sup> March 2020) to Saturday (7<sup>th</sup> March 2020).
- Rain with dust-thunderstorm may also occur over Balochistan Province (Districts Quetta, Zhob, Pashin, Harnai, & Ziarat), Punjab Province (Dera Ghazi Khan, Multan, Khanewal, Sahiwal, Okara, Bahawalpur, Bahawalnagar, Khanpur & Rahim Yar Khan) and Sindh Province (Sukkur, Jacobabad and Larkana Districts) during the period Wednesday (4<sup>th</sup> March 2020) to Thursday (5<sup>th</sup> March 2020). Dust raising winds are expected in lower Sindh including Karachi on Thursday (5<sup>th</sup> March 2020) and Friday (6<sup>th</sup> March 2020).
- Heavy rain with intermittent thundershowers (with hailstorm) is also expected in Province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (Districts Dir, Swat, Shangla, Buner, Mansehra, Abbottabad, Peshawar, Mardan, Nowshera, Charsadda, Swabi & Kohat), Islamabad, Punjab Province (Rawalpindi, Attock, Chakwal, Jhelum, Gujranwala, Lahore, Faisalabad & Sargodha) and Kashmir on Thursday (5<sup>th</sup> March 2020) and Friday (6<sup>th</sup> March 2020).
- Possibility of urban flooding cannot be ruled out in Peshawar, Islamabad/Rawalpindi, Gujranwala, Faisalabad, Sargodha and Lahore Districts during the period. Heavy rainfall may generate flash flood flow and may trigger landslides in the vulnerable areas of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Gilgit-Baltistan, Kashmir, Rawalpindi and Islamabad during the period.

All concerned organizations i.e. PDMAs, DDMAs, WASAs, District Administrations and Provincial Irrigation Departments are advised to take all necessary precautionary measures well in time, so as to avoid loss of precious human lives and damage to private & public property.

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