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## <u>Tropical Cyclone "SHAHEEN" in the Northeast Arabian Sea</u> <u>Heavy Rains and Strong Winds Predicted along Makran Coast</u>

Pakistan Meteorological Department's Regional Office at Karachi has issued an Alert based on the prevailing Hydro-Meteorological conditions over Pakistan stating that the **Deep Depression** over Northeast Arabian Sea intensified into a **Cyclonic Storm** "SHAHEEN", lies centred near latitude 23.2 N and longitude 66.5 E, at a distance of about 280 km Southwest of Karachi, 230 km from Ormara and 470 km Southeast of Gawadar. Estimated maximum sustained surface wind is 65-85 km/hr and sea condition is rough/very rough around the system centre. The system is likely to move West- Southwestwards towards Oman/Makran coast. Under the influence of this weather system:

- Widespread rain-wind/thunderstorm with scattered heavy/very heavy falls, are likely in Gwadar, Lasbela, Awaran, Kech, Khuzdar, Kalat and Panjgur Districts of Balochistan Province till 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021 (Sunday).
- Scattered rain-wind/thunderstorm is expected in Karachi, Hyderabad, Thatta, Badin, Dadu, Jamshoro, Tharparkar, Umerkot, Mirpurkhas, Sanghar, Tando Muhammad Khan, Tando Allahyar, Shaheed Benazirabad, Nosheroferoz, Sukkur, Larkana, Jacobabad and Shikarpur Districts of Sindh Province till tomorrow.

The predicted heavy rains may generate Urban Flooding in Balochistan Province (Lasbela, Ormara, Pasni, Gwadar, Turbat & Jiwani)

With above likely Hydro-Meteorological situation in view, all Concerned Authorities in **Sindh and Balochistan Provinces** are advised to remain **High Alert**, take all necessary precautionary measures well in time to avoid loss of precious human lives and damages to private & public property.

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