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Rain with snowfall over the hills predicted in Upper parts of the country from 20th to 25th January 2023.

Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) has issued a Press Release stating that a **Westerly Wave** affecting North Balochistan, is likely to grip upper parts on 20th January (night) and may persist till 25th January with occasional gaps. Under the influence of this system, following weather is expected:

- Light to moderate rain-wind with **snowfall** over the hills (**isolated hailstorm**) is expected in **Islamabad, Punjab** (Murree, Galliyat, Pothohar region, Kohistan, Sargodha, Mianwali, Khushab, Bhakkar, Faisalabad, Toba Tek Singh, Jhang, Gujranwala, Gujrat, Hafizabad, Mandi Bahauddin, Lahore, Kasur, Sialkot, Narowal, Sheikhpura & Nankana Sahib), **Khyber Pakhtunkhwa** (Swat, Dir, Chitral, Manshera, Haripur, Abbottabad, Karak, Charsada, Peshawar, Nowshera, Swabi, Buner, Bajaur, Kurram, Waziristan, Kohat & Bannu) **Kashmir** and **Gilgit Baltistan**, from **21st to 24th January 2023** with occasional gaps.
- Light rain/drizzle is also expected in **Punjab** (Multan, Sahiwal, Okara, Pakpattan, Dera Ghazi Khan, Layyah, Bahawalpur, Bahawalnagar & Rahimyar Khan), **Sindh** (Sukkur) and **Khyber Pakhtunkhwa** (Dera Ismail Khan) on **20th /21st January 2023**.
- **Rain-wind (moderate to isolated heavy snowfall)** is expected in **Punjab** (Murree & Galiyat), **Khyber Pakhtunkhwa** (Chitral, Dir, Swat, Malakand, Kohistan, Mansehra & Abbottabad) and **Kashmir** (Neelum valley, Muzaffarabad, Poonch, Hattian, Bagh, Haveli, Sudhanoti, Kotli, Bhimber, Mirpur), from **23rd to 25th January 2023**.

Possible Impacts:

- **Heavy snowfall** may disrupt and cause **closure of roads** in Murree, Galiyat, Naran, Kaghan, Dir, Swat, Kohistan, Mansehra, Abbottabad, Shangla, Astore, Hunza, Skardu, Neelum valley, Bagh, Poonch and Haveli during the forecast period. **Landslides** in Upper Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Kashmir and Gilgit Baltistan may also occur during the forecast period.
- Tourists are advised to remain extra cautious during the spell.
- Rain will be beneficial for the standing crops particularly in parts of **Punjab** and **Khyber Pakhtunkhwa**.

With above likely Hydro-Meteorological situation in view, all concerned organizations are advised to remain **Alert** and 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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