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## MORE MONSOON RAINS PREDICTION FROM 23<sup>RD</sup> to 27<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2023

According to latest meteorological analysis, PMD, Islamabad has issued **Press Release** stating that **Moderate Monsoon Currents** from Arabian Sea are likely to penetrate into upper parts of Pakistan from 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2023 (evening/night). A Westerly Wave is also likely to enter in these areas on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2023. Under the influence of these systems it is expected that:

- Rain/wind-thundershower (with few moderate to heavy falls) in Islamabad, Kashmir (Neelum valley, Muzaffarabad, Poonch, Hattian, Bagh, Haveli, Sudhanoti, Kotli, Bhimber & Mirpur), Gilgit Baltistan (Diamir, Astore, Ghizer, Skardu, Hunza, Gilgit, Ghanche & Shigar), Punjab (Murree, Galliyat, Rawalpindi, Attock, Chakwal, Jhelum, Mandi Bahauddin, Hafizabad, Gujranwala, Gujrat, Sialkot, Narowal, Lahore, Kasur & Sheikhupura) and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (Chitral, Dir, Swat, Shangla, Buner, Mansehra, Kohistan, Abbottabad, Haripur, Kohat, Peshawar, Mardan, Swabi and Nowshera) from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023 with occasional gaps.
- Rain/wind-thundershower in Punjab (Mianwali, Sargodha, Khushab, Faisalabad, Toba Tek Singh, Jhang and Bhakkar) and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (Kurram, Lakki Marwat, Dera Ismail Khan, Bannu, Karak & Waziristan) from 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August 2023 with occasional gaps.
- Rain/wind-thundershower in Punjab (Dera Ghazi Khan, Rajanpur & Musa Khel) and Balochistan (Barkhan, Zhob, Kalat & Khuzdar) on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

## **Possible Impacts:**

- Moderate to heavy falls may increase the water flows in local Nullahs/streams of Kashmir, Gilgit-Baltistan, Chitral, Dir, Swat, Kohistan, Shangla, Buner, Mansehra, Abbottabad, Mardan, Nowshera, Swabi, Galliyat, Murree, Rawalpindi/Islamabad from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> August 2023 and in the Hill torrents of Dera Ghazi Khan and adjoining areas of northeastern Balochistan on 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> August 2023.
- Moderate to heavy rains may cause urban flooding in low lying areas of Islamabad/Rawalpindi, Peshawar and Lahore from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August 2023 and may trigger landslides in the vulnerable areas of Murree, Galliyat, Kashmir, Gilgit Baltistan and hilly areas of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa during the wet spell.
- Dam operators are advised to manage reservoirs levels accordingly during the wet period from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023

In view of the above situation, all concerned authorities are advised to remain **ALERT**, monitor the weather and flood situation regularly and ensure fool proof precautionary measures to avoid any loss of precious human lives and damage to public & private properties.

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