

42. After detailed discussions, following decisions were taken:
- i. **PIDs/FLAs** to ensure removal of encroachments from flood prone areas, flood plains, river water ways and drains/flood escape channels etc. well before start of monsoon season 2024. The status, in this respect, will be shared with FFC by **June 30, 2024**.
 - ii. **PIDs/FLAs** to ensure that their all concerned field formations, well equipped with necessary flood fighting machinery, remain vigilant to threat of likely flooding at all critical/ vulnerable locations, during monsoon season 2024. They should be advised to also directly report to FFC, if there occurs any significant flood situation during the monsoon season 2024.
 - iii. **Pre-Flood Rehearsal** to be ensured by all stakeholder departments regarding anticipated effective implementation of Flood Fighting Plan (s), Monsoon 2024 Contingency Plan(s) and SOPs for activation of pre-determined breaching sections so that all concerned departments well recognize their responsibilities and an improved close coordination is there to combat with likely flood emergencies during monsoon season 2024.
 - iv. **PIDs & FLAs** will also make necessary arrangements for effectively managing the likely flash flooding in the tributary Nullahs of major rivers/ torrential streams. In this respect, removal of encroachments/ clearance of flood carrying channels, drains, dispersal structures would be ensured for smooth passage of torrential flood effluents during monsoon season 2024.
 - v. **PDMA/SDMA/GBDMA** to ensure all necessary arrangements for effective management of riverine and non-riverine/urban flooding (dewatering equipment, flood relieved items etc.) besides to conduct regular mock exercise focusing on awareness of the communities residing in flood prone areas. The updated status to be shared with FFC within **June 30, 2024**.
 - vi. **PIDs/FLAs** will vigorously pursue the case for early approval of the River Act (prepared in line with Model River Act proposed by FFC) from the respective parliaments. The updated status, in this respect, will be shared with FFC by **June 30, 2024**.
 - vii. As has earlier been requested, **PIDs/FLAs** will submit to FFC without fail, on prescribed proforma (**Annex-II**), the details related to their flood management infrastructure/ FF&EW systems/ services and progress on all post-2022 flood restoration projects including those funded directly by the Planning Commission, Provincial ADP, NDRMF, or other sources. **PDMA/SDMA/GBDMA, WAPDA and PMD** to also submit requisite relevant information to FFC within **June 30, 2024**.
 - viii. As has been requested earlier, **PIDs & FLAs** including **PMD & WAPDA** will submit to FFC at the earliest, individual PC-Is of the respective FPSP-III sub-projects prioritized for implementation under Three Years Program (2025-2027), duly cleared by the respective PDWP(s), for their technical scrutiny by FFC and further processing for their approval by the CDWP/ ECNEC of PD&SI Division. In line with financing plan approved by ECNEC for FPSP-III, **PIDs** to also ensure necessary allocation of funds under their respective ADP (2024-25) for their priority FPSP-III sub-projects.
 - ix. Refer to **Para-25** above, **PID Sindh, PID Balochistan and PID Khyber Pakhtunkhwa** will submit to FFC, preferably within **June 30, 2024**, their views/ comments, if any, regarding the draft FFC Bill. enabling FFC to take further action in the matter

- x. **PID Punjab** will provide the following to FFC by **June 30, 2024**:
- a. An alternate Contingency Plan for Shahdara Breaching Section to ensure safe passage of high flood flows before the commencement of Monsoon 2024.
 - b. Updated status on unspent funds available under N/EFP from previous financial years and reasons for non-utilization.
- xi. Refer to **Para's 20-24** above, **PID Sindh and WAPDA**, in the absence of funds for the execution of 2022 FDR works related to RBOD projects, will jointly prepare and implement a comprehensive Contingency Plan for safe passage of torrential flood effluents through damaged sections of the drainage infrastructure. The same will also be submitted to FFC by **30th June 2024**. Also, the Way Forward for transfer of RBOD projects (RBOD-I & RBOD-III) will be decided promptly by WAPDA/PID, Sindh.
- xii. Re-refer to **Para's 20-24** above, delay in the approval/ implementation of 2022 FDR works related to RBOD-I, RBOD-III/MNV drains etc. pose a very high risk of torrential flash flooding again in Sindh province during the monsoon season 2024. In the given circumstances and in order to avert any unbecoming situation, while on one hand, effective implementation of a comprehensive Contingency Plan would be direly needed, at the same time, approval by Ministry of Water Resources/PD&SI Division and implementation of 2022 flood damage restoration works of RBOD-I, RBOD-III/MNV drain would be mandatory.
- xiii. **PIDs of Punjab & Khyber Pakhtunkhwa** will arrange and release required funds to WAPDA for 2022-Flood Damages Restoration of Chashma Right Bank Canal (CRBC) at the earliest. The updated status of the same including progress on flood damages restoration to be shared with FFC well within **June 30, 2024**.
- xiv. **PID Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Irrigation Department of AJ&K** will pursue with their respective Finance Departments for the early release of their pending allocated O&M funds required for completion of their ongoing annual repair/ restoration works. Besides, Contingency Plans for all vulnerable points, be prepared for implementation in case of flood emergency and be shared with all concerned departments including FFC by/ before **30th June 2024**.
- xv. **PMD** will submit to FFC, location of their AWS installed in the D.G. Khan/Rajanpur hill torrent regions and specify the hill torrents they cover, as well as to also share similar information for the Kirthar Range (Balochistan-Sindh).
- xvi. **WAPDA** will prepare and share a consolidated Monsoon 2024 Contingency Plan for all its ongoing mega projects, such as Diamer Bhasha Dam, Mohmand Dam, and Dasu Hydropower Project, to cater for any flood eventuality. The same to be submitted to FFC by **June 30, 2024**.
- xvii. **WAPDA** will ensure restoration of 23 dysfunctional FFT stations and 9 AWS within **June 30, 2024** and will share completion status with FFC within this date.
- xviii. **Mangla Dam Organization to prepare a well-thought out Contingency Plan required for 'Most Critical' nature of flood management at Mangla Dam site concerning absence of Barakas Nullah role as its Emergency Spillway. The same will be shared with FFC within June 30, 2024.**

NHA will provide FFC with an up-to-date progress report regarding completion of the post-flood restoration works from 2022 and 2023 by **June 30, 2024**. Contingency Plan for safe passage of flood flows from NHA bridges at Bhimber Nullah to be also prepared for implementation in case of emergency and a copy of the same be shared with FFC within **June 30, 2024**.

Pak Railways will expedite progress on the construction of Left Guide Bund of Shershah Railway Bridge and regularly share status with FFC till its completion.

Pak Railways in coordination with concerned District Administration will make efforts for early resolution of the Land Acquisition issue in connection to construction of Left Guide Bund of Shershah Railway Bridge. Besides, early completion/ finalization of the Model Study for Kotri Bridge will be ensured.

NHA and Pak Railway to also ensure that, due to their bridges and road structures, there would be no danger level afflux/ pondage/ obstruction to flow of flood water during Monsoon Season 2024.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by the Chair.

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