



No. PDMA/PEOC/FF-Advi-01-01/2026

Dated Peshawar the 20th January, 2026

To

1. All Deputy Commissioners in Malakand, Hazara & Mardan Division
2. The Deputy Commissioners' Peshawar, Nowshera & Charsadda

Subject: FLASH FLOOD WARNING

Dear Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith the Alert no. A-01/2026 dated 20th January, 2026 received from Chief Meteorologist FFD, Lahore on the subject noted above wherein it is intimated that **a strong westerly wave is likely to affect the upper parts of the country from the evening of 21st to 24th January, 2026 consequently flows in River Kabul along with its tributaries may rise during 22nd to 23rd of January, 2026.**

Furthermore, on account of expected **Moderate to Isolated Heavy rainfall coupled with Snowfall** over the upper parts of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (Swat, Chitral (Upper & Lower), Buner, Shangla, Dir (Upper & Lower), Malakand, Bajaur, Abbottabad, Mansehra, Battagram, Torghar, Haripur, Kohistan (Upper & Lower), Kolai Pallas, Mardan & Swabi), **the risk of flash flooding cannot be ruled out.**

It is therefore requested to kindly take all precautionary measures to avoid any loss of life, damages to infrastructure/ crops and animals. Furthermore, all concerned authorities may be requested to take the following safety measures:

- a) Identification of vulnerable points / at-risk communities and devise mitigation and safety measures.
- b) Maintain enhanced alert level / monitoring of developing situation to reduce reaction / response times.
- c) Rescue 1122 & Civil Defence to remain alert and ensure availability of personnel and equipment during the forecast period, especially in at-risk areas.
- d) People living along the banks of River Kabul and its associated Nullahs to be sensitized about expected increase of water flows.
- e) Timely evacuation of at-risk population from low-lying / flood prone areas as per Evacuation Plans and availability of shelter, food and medicines in those shelter camps.
- f) Locals / farmers / cattle herders be forewarned to shift cattle away from low lying areas adjacent to River Kabul and its associated Nullahs.
- g) Restrict vehicle movement in low lying / at-risk areas, close to River Kabul and its associated water channels / nullahs.
- h) Provision of relief / medical supplies to affectees in timely manner.
- i) Coordinate with concerned departments for clearance of roads in case of any blockage / obstruction, waterlogging and pre-placing of necessary emergency equipment at vulnerable / appropriate locations.
- j) In case of any occurrence, updates may kindly be shared with PEOC, PDMA on 6th hours basis
- k) PEOC, PDMA is active round the clock via helpline 1700 for any guidance and help

(Fahad Tahir)
Incharge PEOC, PDMA



Encl: as above:

Copy forwarded for information and necessary actions to the: -

1. Principal Secretary, Chief Minister's Secretariat, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
2. Additional Chief Secretary, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
3. Secretary Tourism Department, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
4. Secretary C&W Department, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
5. Secretary, LG&RD, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
6. Secretary, Information Department, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
7. Secretary, Irrigation Department, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
8. Secretary, Health Department, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
9. Secretary, Agriculture, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
10. Secretary, Forestry Environment & Wildlife Department, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
11. Divisional Commissioners Malakand, Hazara, Mardan & Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
12. Director General, Rescue 1122, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
13. The Headquarter 11 Corps, Peshawar
14. Director Information and Public Relations Department Peshawar
15. Director (Response), NDMA, Islamabad
16. Director Civil Defense, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
17. PSO to Chief Secretary, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
18. Project Director (PEOC) PDMA, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
19. PS to Secretary, RR&S Department, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
20. PA to Director General, PDMA, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
21. PA to Director (Relief) PDMA, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Incharge PEOC, PDMA



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Flood Forecasting Division Lahore

No. A-01/2026

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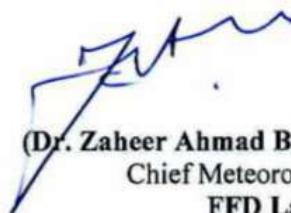
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Concerned authorities are advised to remain vigilant and take necessary precautionary measures. PDMA/DDMA & Local administration and emergency services should ensure readiness to respond to any untoward situation. Residents of vulnerable and low-lying areas, particularly near streams and nullahs, are advised to exercise caution and avoid unnecessary movement during the forecast period.



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Other Distribution:

1. Federal Minister, Ministry of Defence, Islamabad.
2. Secretary to Prime Minister, Islamabad.
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6. Chairman NDMA, Islamabad.
7. DG, Engineering Directorate GHQ, Rawalpindi.
8. Chairman, Federal Flood Commission, Islamabad.
9. Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
10. Secretary Irrigation, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
11. DG PDMA, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
12. All other concerned & Media.