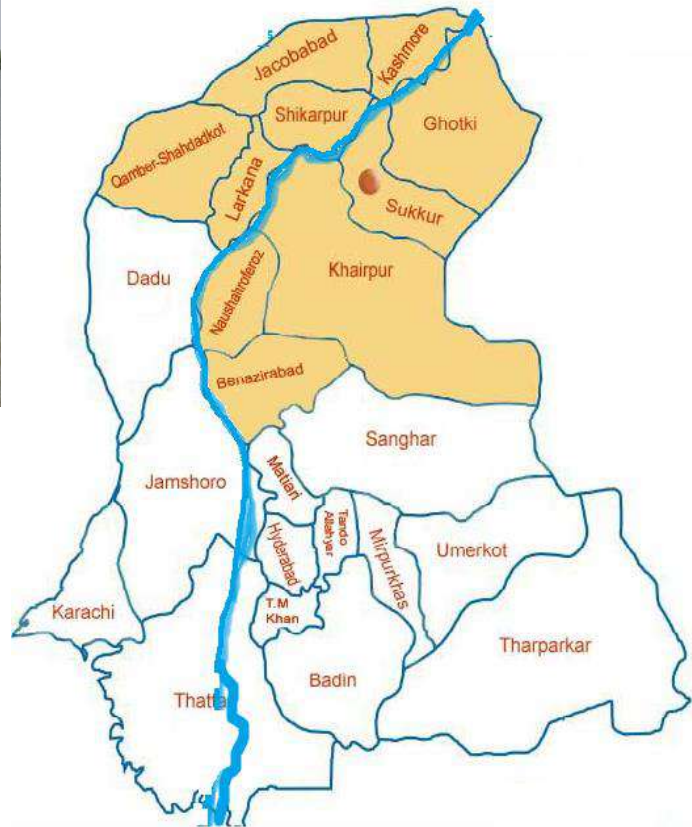




Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO)



Situation Report # 1 on Flood (2015) affected areas of Northern-Sindh

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1. Introduction:

Monsoon in Pakistan generally penetrates from July to September (One Quarter) and produces widespread rains. While on the other side, early melting of snow and out-burst of glacial lakes have caused the riverine flooding in Sindh through Indus River and widespread rains with thunderstorms producing rainfall flooding in many areas of Sindh Province. At the present, the northern districts of Sindh province experiencing high level of flooding in Indus River and the projected rainfalls. Regarding recent rainfall & flood the PMD and PDMA has already issued alerts/warning to make required arrangements before any unforeseen situation.



The current flood/rainfall situation report of northern districts of Sindh province where SRSO have been working over the period of 12 years, briefly describes the initial rapid information with respect to the conditions prevailing in these northern districts during the existing floods and

rainfalls respectively. Report also provides a quick view of possible support and threats could be attributed to each districts in recent perspectives and arrangements made under present-day context. The district wise brief overview of current situation prevailing given as under:

2. Flood and Rainfall Situation in Northern Districts of Sindh Province:

2.1. Sukkur:

- Widespread rains are reported in whole district Sukkur, no any unexpected/unwanted situation arisen in any area of the district in result of rainfalls.
- Regarding Riverine floods, at present District Sukkur observes high level of floods in Indus River causing/reporting no such damages initially.
- The Situation of protective Band at Ali-Wahan near Rohri in district Sukkur reported bit poor, yet all precautionary arrangements are being under-going to make it adequately safe.
- The District Govt has devised complete plan in order to rescue any situation emerges in result of floods/rainfalls in the district.



2.2. Ghotki:

- In district Ghotki, high level riverine flooding being observed in the Kacha areas of the district. It has been consistently reported through the local govt and the media that the **(Shank)** protective Band has started to over-flow the flood water and the local govt have got immediate support from arm forces (Pak Army) in order to take precautionary measures to avoid any massive devastation.
- The population living in the kacha area of District Ghotki are evacuated to the Pakka areas at protective band and nearby, suffering with need of shelters, drinking water, food and fodder for their livestock/animals.



- In result of current riverine flood, 06 different union councils and 157 villages have been affected in district Ghotki.
- Regarding the rainfalls, the district Ghotki observed normal rains which initially caused no any major incidents or created no any unwanted situation in the district.
- The District Govt reported to have called an important meeting of all stakeholders and line-departments to formulate contingency plan in order to combat any situation, if arisen in future.
- By latest information the district Govt has started to vacate population living on the productive bands, and it is high possibility to declare any emergency in the district regarding riverine flood in kacha areas and at many sides of protective band.

2.3. Kashmore-Kandhkot:

- In Indus River, at District Kashmore high level flood being observed inside the protective band in nine union councils of the district. The population belongs to the inside of band areas have been evacuated from their villages and shifted at protective band at different locations.
- In result of current flash flooding of Indus River, 9 union councils and 147 villages have been affected in the district.
- From any of the areas lying in kacha belt have not reported any incidents in result of ongoing flash flooding in Indus River in the district.
- Due to high level of floods at **Tori Band**, the condition of band is declared partially severe and the surrounded population including Ghouspur city and UC Dari are served alert to make full evacuation.
- As far as the rainfalls are concerned in district, it has been observed very normal and caused no any unwanted situation in any part of the district.
- The District Govt has made precautionary measures to face any sudden situation appears in result of flood and rainfall in the district.



2.4. Jacobabad:

- In district Jacobabad, the normal slightly heavy rainfall experienced which caused one breach in Saifullah Magsi Canal, resulted more than the 10 villages affected with its water.
- Regarding the flash flooding, no any incident reported during the course of flood days throughout the district.

- Yet the district Govt have taken initial necessary steps to tackle any sudden situation takes place in result of rainfalls or flood.

2.5. Naushehro Feroz:

- Initially normal rainfall experienced, caused no any major incident in the district during the course of rainfall spells.
- As far as the flood in Indus River is concerned, it has covered most of the kacha areas of the district, but no any incident have been reported.

2.6. Shikarpur:

- Normal rainfall experienced in the District, and no any severe situation reported from any part of the district.
- In result of current flood 2015, 3 talukas, 7 union councils and 45 villages have been affected in kacha areas of District Shikarpur.

2.7. Larkana:

- In district Larkana, the rainfall has been reported very normal.
- Regarding the riverine flood, it has covered majority of the areas of kacha with minimum level. And the flood water has partially touched/reached the populated areas in kacha, hence reported no any severe situation in the district.

2.8. Khairpur:

- Normal rainfall experienced in the district, meanwhile no any severe situation reported in result of rains.
- As far as the flood 2015 is concerned, mainly the kacha area of the district are covered under the water of flood. The population of the affected areas have been reported safely evacuated at safe places nearby protection Band with support of district Govt.

2.9. Qamber-Shahdadkot:

- Normal rainfall experienced in whole district, and no any incident has been reported in result of rainfalls.
- The District Govt have taken all basic arrangements to avoid any situation takes place in result of predicted rains in upcoming days.

3. Relief activities in affected areas:

After the severe alerts by PMD & PDMA, the relief activities has planned and even initiated by the district governments in their respective districts by keeping close focus on daily conditions. The brief overview of those all relief activities either done by district Govt or any other organizations given as under:

➤ Relief activities in district Kashmore:

- The District Govt Kashmore have provided one boat at Tori band in order to rescue and evacuate the people from flooded areas.
- The PPHI Kashmore have established their one medical camp at Tori band and also constituted one mobile team to provide emergency support in flooded areas.
- Livestock Department Kashmore have established 08 veterinary camps at various locations in order to deal with the flood situation and 2 additional mobile units have also constituted to provide emergency services.
- Different local support organizations (LSOs) of respective flood affected UCs/areas have supported the many households in safe evacuation at safer places and also disseminated the messages regarding the current situation of flood in the context of their UCs.
- At some of the areas the LSO members have financially supported the local population to arrange transportation for their easy evacuations.
- In some of the villages, the LSO have assigned the responsibility to the respective VOs to assist the masses in safer evacuations at safe places.

➤ Relief activities in District Ghotki:

- The district govt along with local persons have successfully evacuated the 29,942 person from flooded areas to safe places in tents.
- Established four different camps for flood affected population, which has capacity to accommodate 15,000 IDPs at the same time.
- District Govt has successfully ensured the evacuation of livestock, being managed in flood affected areas with the support of respective owners.
- Also established one medical camp for flood affected population at the location Band.
- PPHI also established medical camp in order to provide services to the flood affected people in emergency situation.

➤ Relief activities in District Sukkur:

- With support of Sindh Govt the livestock department established 8 medical camps for animals at the different locations of Sukkur District.
- District Govt also established medical camp at Ali Wahan band for flood affected people.

- District Govt have also established a tent city for the population who have been successfully evacuated from flood affected areas.

➤ **Relief activities in District Larkana:**

- In form of precautionary measures, the District Govt Larkana have established 11 medical camps and 2 mobile camps in order to tackle any emergency situation in the districts.

➤ **Relief activities in District Shikarpur:**

- The District Govt has established 2 medical camps and 01 mobile clinic in order to provide immediate necessary support to the flood affected population.
- Livestock department has established 07 veterinary camps for the treatment and vaccination of livestock evacuated from flood affected areas.
- In DC office, an emergency cell has been established by the district Govt to ensure the proper and timely rescue and support to the affected people as to minimize the flood loses in the district. ([Emergency flood cell number of Shikarpur-0726-540334](#)).

District Jacobabad has also established an emergency cell to provide real time support to affected people in case of any certain emergency arises in district. ([Emergency flood cell number of Jacobabad-0722-652020](#))

➤ **Relief activities by SRSO:**

- SRSO established a veterinary mobile clinic in order to treat and vaccinate animals evacuated from flood affected areas in district Ghotki.
- Maintaining close coordination with district Govt in various districts in order to assist in implementation of contingency plans.
- Started the assessment at various camps for data collection.
- SRSO have started to chalk out a plan with respective LSOs to determine the needs of flood affected people in various union councils.

4. Immediate Support Needed/Required in flood affected areas:

1. The population recently shifted from their native villages to Protective band are genuinely requiring the safe drinking water.
2. The households shifted at Protective band are also lacking with food items hence requiring food for their families in order to supplement the need on immediate basis, particularly in district Ghotki and Kashmore-Kandhkot.

3. Transportation facility to be provided chiefly in district Ghotki to ensure the 100% proper evacuation from flood affected areas.
4. More shelters/tents need to be provided to the households who have evacuated recently and don't have any tent/shelter at protective bands in district Ghotki and Kashmore-Kandhkot.

