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Subject: **PMD Weather Outlook for the Month of March 2017**

Weather Outlook for the Month of March 2017 issued by Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) is enclosed. All concerned are requested to take necessary preventive measures to avoid loss of lives and property especially in vulnerable areas.

2. Tourists may also be cautioned not to rush to hilly / snow bound areas.
3. Forwarded for information / necessary action, please.

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Outlook for the Month of March 2017

Global climate indicators such as North Atlantic Oscillations (NAO), El Nino & Southern Oscillations (ENSO) and Indian Ocean Dipole (IOD) are expected to remain neutral in March 2017. Based on prevailing atmospheric conditions climate outlook of different models suggest that;

- Three to four weather systems are likely to pass across the country, resulting in slightly above normal rainfall over upper KP, GB, AJK, Northern parts of Punjab and normal rainfall in rest of the country.
- Snowfall is also expected over high mountains in March 2017.
- Thunder/hailstorms accompanied with gusty winds are also likely to occur at isolated places in the country.
- Air temperature is expected to remain slightly above normal in March 2017.
- Initial estimates indicate that precipitation is likely to remain normal in the month of April.

Note: The outlook is based upon recent climate data. The outlook will be updated on monthly basis during the first week of each month.

Spokesperson