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Subject: **GLOF ALERT - GB & KP**

Due to a substantial rise in temperatures in mountainous areas of Northern Pakistan, the risk of **Glacial Lake Outburst Floods (GLOFs)** is likely to increase in glaciated regions of **Gilgit-Baltistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa followed** by weather event on 19th May 2025 onwards. The persistent high temperatures may accelerate snow and glacier melt and subsequent events trigger GLOF incidents in **vulnerable valleys and surrounding regions** during the current and coming week.

2. In light of prevailing situation all concerned Federal Ministries / Departments, respective Provincial Governments, their line departments including PIDs / PDMA KP/ GBDMA, District Administrations / DDMA's and Municipal Administrations are advised to ensure following: -

- a. PDMA KP / GBDMA / Respective DDMA's to **undertake proactive monitoring and surveillance** of **vulnerable GLOF Sites** in order to **ensure timely early warning and response**.
- b. DDMA's to conduct **evacuation drills** in **at-risk communities** in order to **ensure full preparedness**.
- c. All civic agencies / rescue services (Rescue 1122 / Fire Brigade / Ambulance / Civil Defence) to **remain alert and ensure availability of personnel and equipment** during the forecasted period.
- d. **Mass awareness campaign for general public** on GLOFs in at risk areas covering following aspects: -
 - (1) Avoid **unnecessary movement** in such areas, especially the discharge nullahs / streams and rivers.
 - (2) Risk, consequences and danger of **washing away of vehicles** in fast-flowing water channels.
 - (3) **Alerting general masses living in low-lying areas** to exercise extra caution including community-based alert system.
 - (4) **Evacuation plan** of at-risk community and its timely evacuation.

- e. LEAs / Traffic Police **advise travelers regarding likely situations** / dangers and safety measures.
 - f. NH&MP and Traffic Police to **coordinate** with **Law Enforcement Agencies** to **manage** and **redirect traffic** from affected areas to safer areas, to prevent congestion and facilitate emergency response efforts.
 - g. PDMA KP / GBDMA / Respective DDMA's to ensure that **safe evacuation sites** are **fully stocked and ready for utilisation** in case of any eventuality.
 - h. Preplace **necessary emergency equipment** at vulnerable / strategic locations to **expedite response efforts** and complete stocking / replenishment of stocks.
 - i. Coordinate with concerned departments (NHA, FWO and C&W) for **restoration of roads** in case of any blockage / obstruction / closures and **preplacing** of **necessary emergency equipment** at vulnerable / strategic locations.
 - j. Local Administration / Police / Rescue Services to **alert population residing in low lying areas**.
 - k. Ensure **round the clock monitoring mechanism** / arrangements through **all possible means / resources**, especially involving the local communities for immediate dissemination of early warnings.
 - l. In case of heightened risk, controlled breaching of vulnerable GLOF sites may be coordinated with the concerned departments, to prevent sudden outburst events.
 - m. Map outlining the most vulnerable GLOF sites in KP & GB is as attached at **(Annex-A)**.
 - n. In-case of any eventuality, routine updates will be shared with NDMA.
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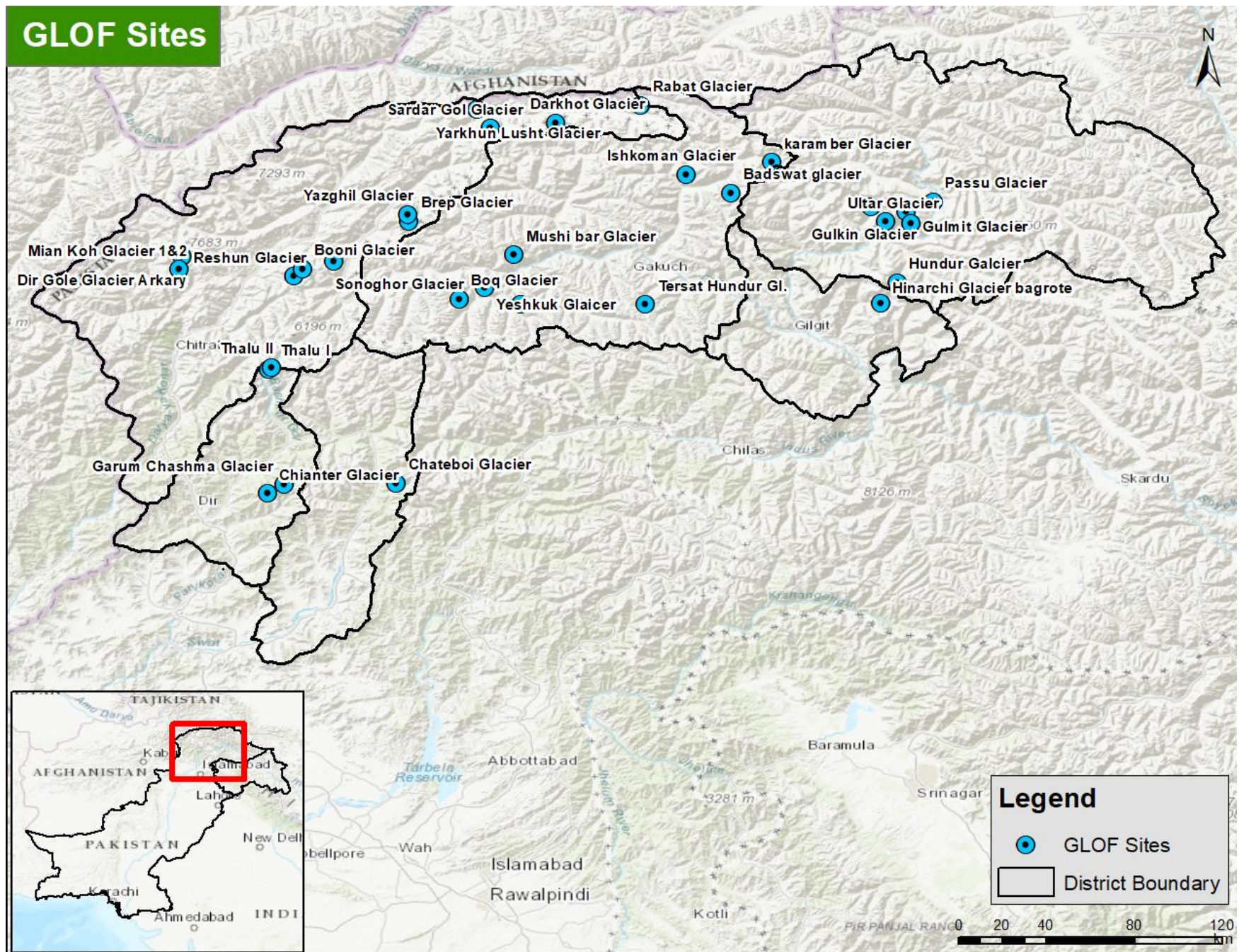
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2. All concerned are advised to remain alert and take necessary measures to avoid any untoward situation.

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