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# CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



NDMA continued its steadfast commitment to enhancing disaster preparedness, response and international humanitarian assistance.

Pak NDMA team participated at COP 29 in Baku, contributing to critical discussions on climate adaptation and resilience. This platform allowed Pakistan to voice its concerns regarding the growing impacts of climate change and to present its initiatives, such as early warning systems and innovative risk communication strategies. Our active engagement was recognized as a step forward in fostering international cooperation to combat climate-induced disasters. NDMA team visited Azerbaijan's also Ministry of **Emergencies** enhance bilateral to field of disaster cooperation in management.

On direction of Prime Minister, Pak NDMA has scale-up humanitarian relief assistance for the people of Palestine (Gaza) and Lebanon and those displaced in Syria during this critical humanitarian crisis. uptill now, GoP/NDMA has dispatched 21 consignments with total volume of 1,756 tons to war-affected areas.

I extend my deepest gratitude to our dedicated teams, partners, and stakeholders for their unyielding efforts in achieving these milestones.

Together, we continue to move forward in our mission to safeguard lives and build a resilient Pakistan.

# Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif's Visit to COP 29 in Baku 12 November, 2024



Secretary-General of the United Nations, AntÓnio Guterres, and the President of Azerbaijan, Ilham Aliyev, warmly received Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif upon his arrival at the inaugural session of the COP-29 Climate Action Summit, held in Baku on November 12, 2024. The moment highlighted the significance of Pakistan's active participation in global climate dialogues, as Prime Minister Sharif represents a nation profoundly affected by climate change and committed to sustainable development.

During the event, the leaders exchanged views on advancing collective global efforts to address the pressing challenges of climate change. The summit is a pivotal platform for world leaders, climate advocates, and policymakers to deliberate on actionable strategies for achieving carbon neutrality, enhancing climate resilience, and supporting vulnerable nations in adapting to the everchanging climate landscape. The reception underscored the strong diplomatic ties and collaborative spirit among the participating nations, aiming to foster an inclusive and impactful global climate agenda.

# Chairman Senate Yousaf Raza Gillani Visited NEOC on 22 November, 2024

Chairman Senate Yousaf Raza Gillani along with Mr. Manzoor Ahmed Kakar, Senator from Baluchistan visited National Emergencies Operations Center (NEOC) at NDMA Headquarters.

A comprehensive capability exposition was conducted for the Parliamentarian delegates showcasing Pakistan's indigenous state-of-art, hub of disaster's early warning and response spectrum. The session highlighted the critical necessity for utilization of tech-driven disaster projections and predictive analysis to transform Pakistan's Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) cycle proactively in alignment with global standards and tech driven smart response framework.



Chairman Senate exclaimed his immense appreciation of the national miracle project- NEOC. He commended NEOC's potential to guide regional countries and all stakeholder partners to enable strategic climate diplomacy space globally. He lauded the integration of advanced technology in disaster management and stated that proactive interface of artificial intelligence, disaster's modelling platforms and synergy of national responders is crucial for timely and effective response. He was specifically impressed by the dedication and expertise of young NDMA domain experts and leading the example.

Chairman Senate expressed their satisfaction over the disaster response mechanism and were appreciative of its compatibility with the evolving challenges.

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# NDMA Hosted a Panel Discussion on Gender-Based Issues 13 November, 2024



At the 29th Conference of the Parties (COP29) in Baku, Azerbaijan, Pakistan's National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) held a significant panel discussion on "Exacerbation of Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) Issues in Women & Adolescent Girls Due to the Climate Crisis." This session, hosted at the Pakistan Pavilion, brought together global experts to share insights on how climate impacts are intensifying challenges for vulnerable communities.

Chairman NDMA delivered the keynote address, highlighting potential policy frameworks and interventions to address these pressing issues. He emphasized the importance of innovative, locally-led solutions to combat GBV and improve SRH outcomes during climate emergencies. Additionally, he called for global collaborations to develop scalable solutions.

The distinguished panelists explored ways to enhance resilience and prioritize gender-sensitive approaches to disaster response. The discussion concluded with a strong commitment from both government and humanitarian organizations to integrate SRH and GBV response mechanisms into climate disaster planning.

NDMA's high level delegation is participating in. COP 29 at Baku. NDMA's participation at COP29 underscores Pakistan's commitment to addressing climate change and enhancing resilience through international cooperation and support.

# NDMA Hosted a Panel Discussion on Climate Finance 16 November, 2024



NDMA held a significant panel discussion on "From Policy to Practice: COP-29 and the Way Forward for Pakistan", emphasizing actionable strategies for mobilizing international climate finance and fostering regional collaboration.

The discussion also addressed the importance of pre-impact investment to protect vulnerable countries and reduce stress on Loss and Damage funds post-disaster. The introduction of global compliance protocols was suggested to ensure effective utilization of climate finance and incentivize resilience-building. Participants further called for regular integrated simulation exercises involving global stakeholders, with Pakistan's extensive experience in this area highlighted as a valuable model for national and regional readiness.

The event concluded with a call for international collaboration to standardize global risk communication and promote climate resilience through accessible and innovative solutions. NDMA reaffirmed its commitment to advancing these priorities and continuing its role as a regional leader in climate action and disaster preparedness.

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During the ongoing COP-29 in Baku, Azerbaijan, an event organized by the Center for Climate Diplomacy was organized by the Center for Climate Diplomacy at the Pakistan Pavilion on the theme of "The Importance of Environmental Diplomacy for Disaster Mitigation and Stability". Addressing the event, Pak NDMA team emphasized the importance of environmental diplomacy for disaster management and sustainable development.



At COP-29 in Baku, Chairman NDMA gave interview to Baku TV on Climate Change and proactive disaster management profile of Pakistan. During interview, he delivered a compelling statement on the escalating impacts of climate change on vulnerable nations like Pakistan. He underlined the country's experience with devastating floods, prolonged droughts, and extreme weather events. He emphasized the urgent need for global cooperation in building resilience and mitigating climate risks.



Pak NDMA Delegation participated at the panel on "Global Climate Finance Mechanism, Assessing Equity and Effectiveness", held at the ICESCO Pavilion during the COP-29 summit in Baku, Azerbaijan. The session convened global experts to discuss financing solutions critical for effective disaster response and climate resilience.



Pak NDMA delegation under the leadership of Chairman NDMA held a meeting with Mr. Henry Gonzalez, Chief Investment Officer of the Green Climate Fund (GCF), at the GCF Pavilion during COP 29 in Baku, Azerbaijan.



Pak NDMA delegation led by Chairman NDMA held a significant meeting with Mr. Kamal Kishore, Assistant Secretary-General and Special Representative of the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) at COP 29, Baku.

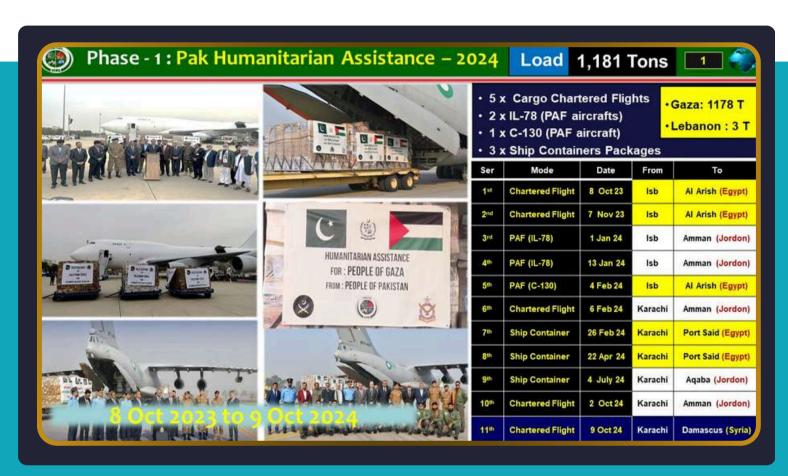


NDMA delegation, held a sideline meeting with Mr. Jin Liqun, President and Chair of the Board of Directors at COP29, in Baku, Azerbaijan. The meeting focused on critical issues related to climate change and disaster resilience.



Pakistan National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) delegation, attending COP 29, had a productive bilateral meeting with His Excellency Kamaladdin Heydarov, Minister of Emergency Situations of Azerbaijan. The delegation was led by Chairman NDMA, Lt General Inam Haider Malik, along with Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and tech experts from the Pakistan's National Emergencies Operations Center (NEOC).

## PAK HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE







Receiving ceremony of the humanitarian aid (6400 blankets) was held at Syrian Red Crescent HQs. Ambassador of Pakistan, Syrian authorities and media was Present at the ceremony.

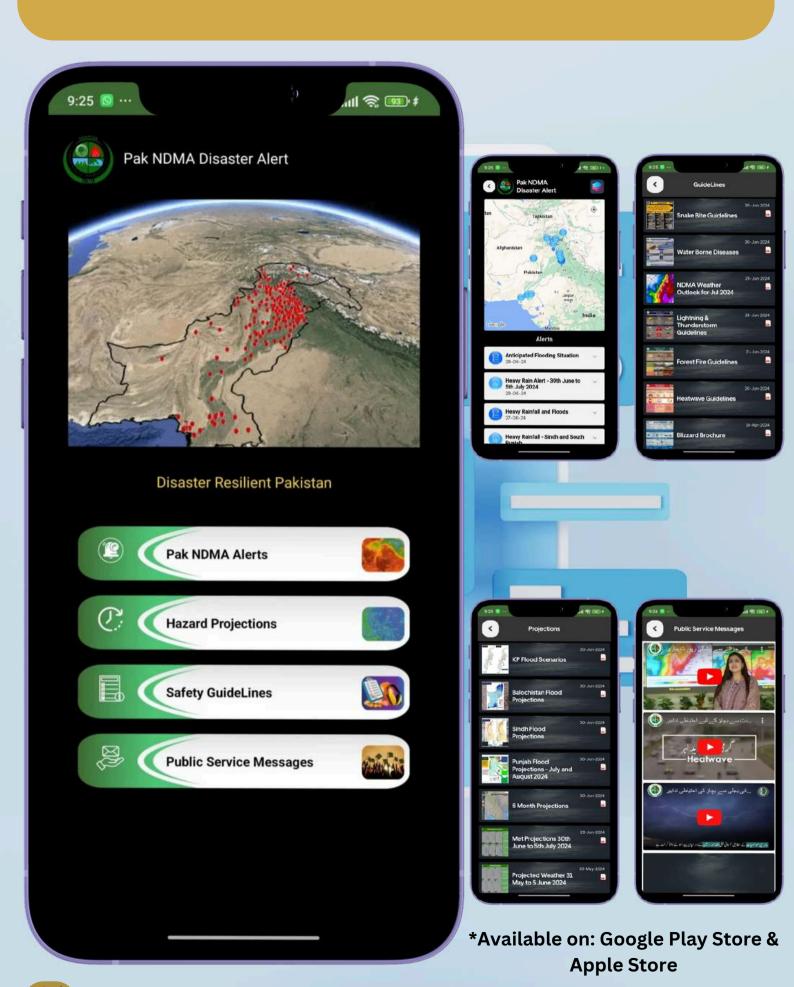


On the directives of the Prime Minister of Pakistan, National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) continues to provide humanitarian aid to the war-affected people of Gaza, Lebanon and Syria. 21st consignment of aid was dispatched from Rawalpindi to Syria.



The 21st consignment of humanitarian aid for war affected/displaced people of Palestine Gaza and Lebanon has successfully landed in Damascus, which flew from Nur khan Base via a chartered flight, carrying 17 tons of relief items by GoP/Pak NDMA.

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