



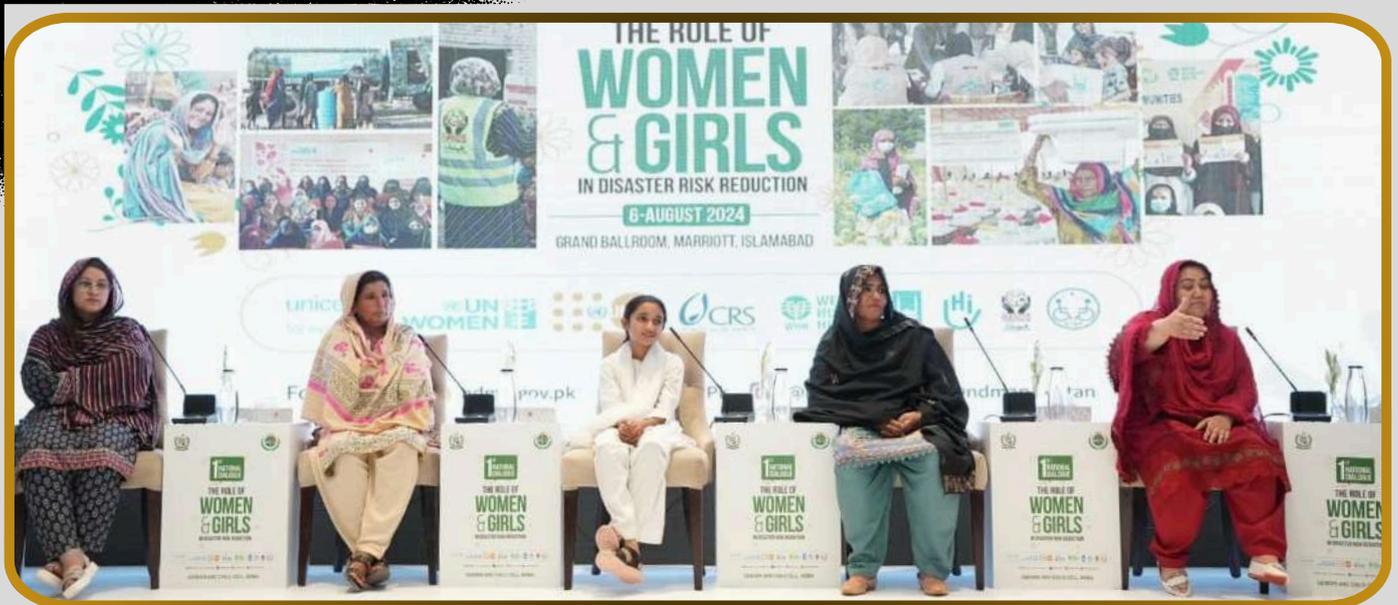
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## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



NDMA Pakistan stands committed to proactive disaster preparedness and response during the rain emergencies of Monsoon 2024. We have made significant advancements in fortifying our readiness and resilience against potential calamities through establishment of National Emergencies Operation Center (NEOC) at NDMA HQs. Under the directives of the Prime Minister, we continue to convene sessions of the Disaster Response Committee since July. These sessions have been instrumental in enhancing inter-agency coordination and robust response mechanisms for responders and humanitarian organizations in addressing localized incidents.

NDMA spearheaded a dialogue on empowering women within the disaster management sector, emphasizing their critical role in disaster risk reduction and capacity building. Additionally, NDMA conducted a first-of-its-kind National Simulation Exercise for industrial hazards with key industrial stakeholders, aimed at bolstering preparedness for industrial accident prevention, risk management, and strategic decision-making.

NDMA Pakistan also organized a seminar on Climate and Disaster Risk Financing at NUTECH, Islamabad. The seminar featured comprehensive discussions on Pakistan's risk financing profile in the context of climate-induced disasters, poly-disasters, and related emergencies ahead of COP-29.

These initiatives underscore our unwavering dedication to constructing a resilient Pakistan, capable of effectively responding to and recovering from disasters. I extend my profound gratitude to all our partners and stakeholders for their unwavering support and collaboration.

Together, we can forge a safer and more resilient future.

# ASEAN Ambassadors Visited National Emergencies Operation Center at NDMA HQs on 9 August, 2024



Pak NDMA hosted a distinguished delegation of ASEAN Ambassadors to National Emergencies Operation Center (NEOC ) at NDMA HQs. The delegation, led by H.E. Col (Rtd) Pg Kamal Bashah, Chairman of ASEAN Committee in Islamabad (ACI) and High Commissioner of Brunei Darussalam, included H.E. Amb. Dato' Mohammad Azhar bin Mazlan from Malaysia, H.E. Maria Agnes M. Cervantes from the Philippines, H.E. Mr. Pham Anh Tuan from Vietnam, H.E. Mr. Wunna Han from Myanmar, Mr. Rahmat Hindiarta Kusuma from Indonesia and Mr. Kamolwan Sriposil from Thailand.

The delegates were given a comprehensive brief about the capabilities of NEOC. The exposition highlighted an effective utilisation of tech-driven projections of hydro-meterological hazards and predictive analysis in DRR cycle of Pakistan.

The delegation expressed strong interest in enhancing collaboration between ASEAN and Pak NDMA, marking a significant step towards fostering international cooperation in disaster management. This visit paves the pathway for strengthening partnerships and shared resilience strategies to collectively tackle challenges and improve disaster response capabilities across the region.

# ASEAN Ambassadors Visited National Emergencies Operation Center at NDMA on 9 August, 2024



# NDMA Organized the Dialogue on Role of Women in Disaster on 06 August, 2024



NDMA organized one-day national dialogue on empowering women in the disaster management in Islamabad on 6 August, 2024. Seminar was organised with support of UN Women, UNICEF Pakistan, UNFPA, Catholic Relief Services, Islamic Relief, Federation Handicap International, HANDS, and Welt HungerHilfe (WHH) & STEP. Dialogue deliberated upon action plans for women's participation in the framework of disaster risk reduction and capacity building. Chairman NDMA Lt Gen Inam Haider Malik and Prime Minister's Coordinator on Climate Change and Environment Ms. Romina Khurshid Alam participated in the one-day dialogue as honourable guests.

Chairman NDMA emphasized the importance of proactive response in disaster management. He stressed the need for proactive measures to tackle climate challenges. The Chairman said that natural calamities and other challenges affect women and girls. He underlined the need for capacity building of women and girls and active participation of women in disaster risk reduction. He also emphasized that the purpose of this platform is to identify global best practices and develop sustainable strategies.

The session was attended by all relevant government agencies, humanitarian organizations, representatives of civil society and women representatives of disaster-prone communities. The chief guest of the meeting, Romina Khurshid, Prime Minister's Coordinator for Climate Change said that women should be empowered to play an effective role in the society to deal with disasters. During the interactive session, best practices were identified to facilitate information sharing and necessary actions in the field of disaster management and actionable recommendations were developed for gender-sensitive policies.

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# NDMA Convenes 4th Session of Disaster Response Committee on 23 August, 2024

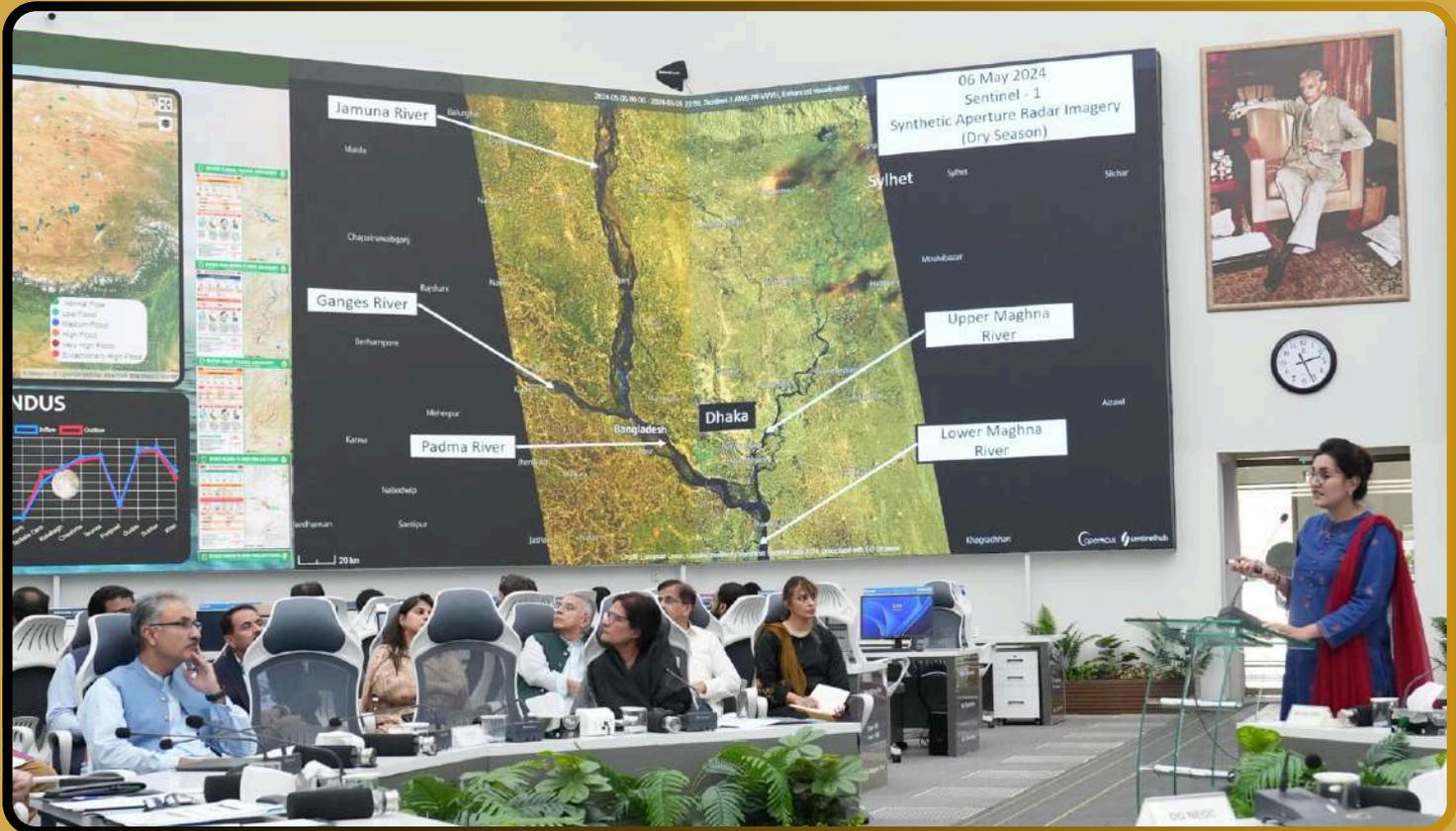


As per Prime Minister's directives, NDMA convened the fourth meeting of National Disaster Response Committee (DRC) at NDMA headquarters in Islamabad today. The meeting was chaired by Prof. Ahsan Iqbal, Federal Minister for Planning and Special Initiatives and co-chaired by NDMA Chairman Lt General Inam Haider Malik. The session focused on evaluating the progress of directives issued during the third DRC and updates were provided on response undertaken by the provincial departments during rain emergencies. The plans to address potential emergencies that are likely to happen in the next monsoon spell specifically in South Punjab, Sindh and Balochistan were discussed. Representatives of Pakistan Railway and National Highway Authority apprised the forum about damages of infrastructure and communication lines during localised rain emergencies.

Officials of NDMA provided an overview of the anticipated impacts, situation of water reservoirs and risk calculations prepared by NEOC for the current monsoon along with NDMA's preparedness and plans. NEOC also gave an appraisal of the weather outlook of regional countries and the on-going flood situation in Bangladesh. Chairman NDMA informed the house about the arrangement and plan for humanitarian relief operations for flood-stricken areas of Bangladesh as and when it is required.

Federal Minister appreciated the role of NDMA, Federal and Provincial Authorities to ensure a prompt and effective response to monsoon-related emergencies. He directed PDMA Punjab to plan and deploy resources in areas as projected by NEOC. Chairman NDMA appreciated the efforts of humanitarian partners and responders for effective management of localised rain emergencies.

# NDMA Convenes 4th Session of Disaster Response Committee on 23 August, 2024



# NDMA Convenes Seminar on Climate & Disasters Risk Financing on 16 August, 2024



NDMA Pakistan convened a seminar on Climate and Disaster Risk Financing at the National University of Technology (NUTECH) in Islamabad on 16 August 2024. This strategic gathering brought together experts, policymakers, and stakeholders from diverse sectors to enhance Pakistan's disaster resilience.

The seminar featured in-depth discussions on Pakistan's Risk Financing profile in the face of climate-induced disasters, poly-disasters and related emergencies.

The Panel discussion was aimed at Financial Preparedness of Pakistan vis à vis Climate and Disaster Risks, that was participated by Lt Gen Imam Haider Malik, Chairman NDMA, PM Coordinator on Climate Change, Ms. Romina Khurshid Alam, Mr. Samuel Rizk from UNDP, Mr. Abid Qayyum Sulehri from SDPI, Member DRR NDMA, Idrees Mahsud and Mr. Arup Chatterjee from ADB through video link.

Chairman NDMA, Lt General Inam Haider Malik emphasized the need for a customized template for disaster-impacted sectors, robust anticipatory actions and efficient post-disaster reconstruction using local materials and skills. He also highlighted the collation of global best practices to craft Pakistan specific customized templates for all sectors impacted by national disasters to mitigate risks.

# NDMA Convenes Seminar on Climate & Disasters Risk Financing on 16 August, 2024



# NDMA Conducted two-day National Simulation Exercise on Industrial Hazards on August 20-21, 2024



NDMA organized a first-of-its-kind two-day National Simulation Exercise on August 20-21, 2024 at the NDMA Headquarters with the aim of preparing for industrial accident prevention and risk management.

Simulation exercises were presided over by Chairman NDMA Lt Gen Inam Haider Malik. He stressed the need for an effective action plan to promote cooperation between government agencies and industrial partners in addition to the necessary measures for timely preparation by the partners. Participants in the exercise included provincial disaster management authorities, rescue agencies, and chemical and petroleum, oil and gas industries including Lucky Core Industries Limited, Sitara Chemical Industries Limited, Etihad Chemicals Limited, NIMIR Industrial Chemicals Limited, Fuji Company Limited, Fatima Fertilizer Company Limited, Engro Fertilizer Company Limited, Pak Arab Refinery Company Limited, Attock Refinery Limited, Pakistan Refinery Limited, Cynergyico Pakistan Limited, Sui Southern Gas Company Limited and Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Company Limited were among the representatives.

The participants lauded the preparedness and timely measures taken by NDMA to deal with disasters and termed the simulation exercises as an important step towards creating an effective and sustainable framework for industrial disaster management in Pakistan.

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The delegation of Asian Forum of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (AFPPD) which is a broad network of parliamentarians in the Asia-Pacific and Central-Asia regions visited to National Emergencies Operations Center (NEOC ) at Pak NDMA HQs on 13 August, 2024.

Federal Minister for Education and Professional Training, and Science & Technology Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui visited National Emergencies Operations Center (NEOC) at NDMA Headquarters on 16 August 2024.



# STRATEGIC ENGAGEMENTS



On the instructions of the Prime Minister, NDMA, with the assistance of the Pakistan Air Force and Ministry of External Affairs, assisted in the arrangements for the repatriation of the injured and dead Pakistani pilgrims from Iran by a special C-130 aircraft flight. The aircraft landed at Jacobabad on 23/24 August 2024 midnight. The district administration arranged transportation of the coffins to the respective hometowns.



National Institute of Disaster Management in collaboration with World Food Programme (WFP) conducted the 1st National Training on Anticipatory Actions in Islamabad, held from August 7-8, 2024. The chief guest for the inaugural session was Executive Director NIDM, Mr. Tanveer Piracha. It was a capacity-building event aimed at introducing key concepts and operational frameworks for Anticipatory Action (AAs) in disaster risk management.

# Media Engagement by the NDMA

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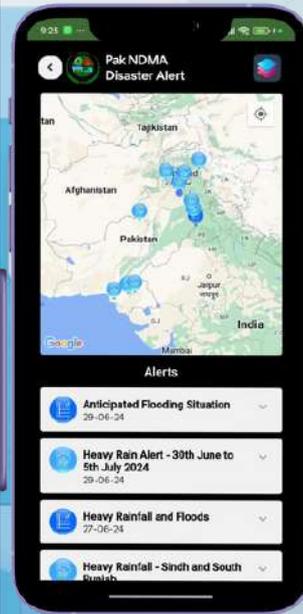
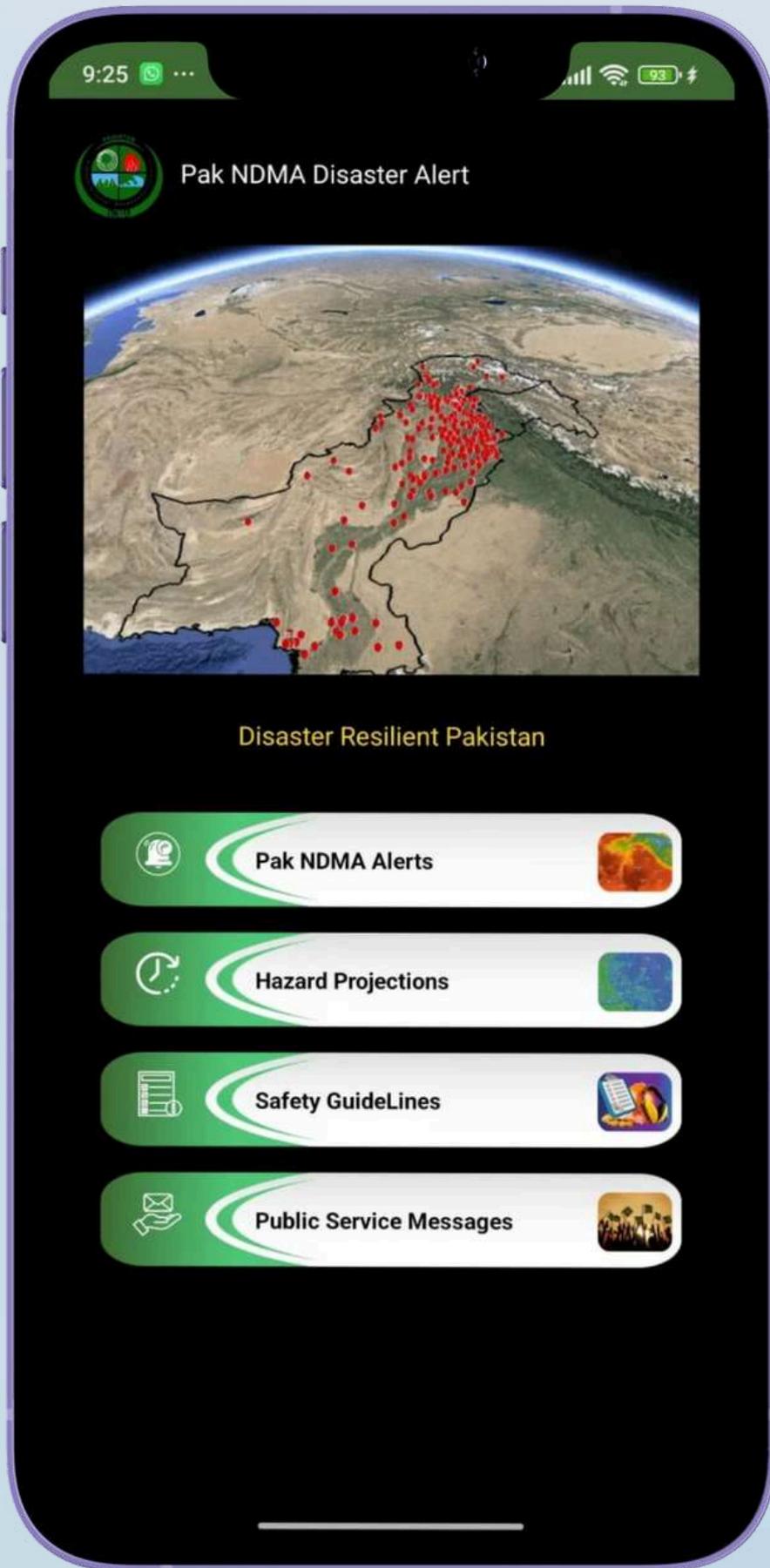
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