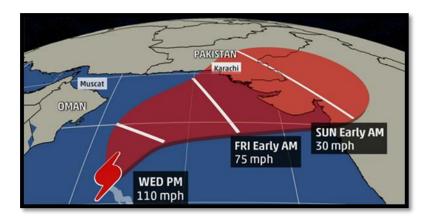


Tropical Cyclone (Nilofar)

Date: 30 October 2014 Sitrep # 01



Cyclone Direction

Very Severe Tropical Cyclone (Nilofar) in Arabian Sea has re-curved north-eastward and now located at Lat. 19.5°N and Long. 62.3° E about 800 km in southwest of Karachi and 680 km south of Gawadar. The Cyclone would continue to move in the same direction (towards adjoining coastal areas of Lower Sindh and Indian Gujrat) with a speed of 14 km/hour in next 24 hours. At present the estimated central pressure of Cyclone is 996 hpa and the average sustained wind speed around is 90-100 Knots up to 110 Knots. The Cyclone would start weakening on Thursday afternoon and is very likely to cross the adjoining coastal areas of Lower Sindh and Indian Gujrat as a Cyclonic Storm or Depression with a wind speed of 70-80 km/hour gusting to 100 km/hour on Friday night.

Source: Pakistan Metrological Department

Emergency centers/Disaster Management Centers Established By NHN Member Organizations

S.#	Location of Established Emergency Cell	Cell Number	NHN Member Organization
01	Golarchi, Badin	03003024838	NHN Member, Fundamental Human Rights & Rural Development Association (FHRRDA)
02	Hashimabad, Makli, Thatta	0298772435 03468209548	NHN Member, HANDS

Humanitarian Needs

• District Authorities needs to ensure the proper evacuation of effected communities in case of worse situation

- Allocation of schools for evacuation needs to be discouraged
- Proper planning of food, non-food items, and safe drinking water has to be placed
- Emergency Operation Centers has to be functional till termination of cyclone
- In the expected cyclone affected areas main phase power shall be cut down

Government/Non-Government/NHN Interventions

- Emergency has been declared in 10 districts of Sindh, and PKR /10million has been issued to each district
 of Sindh
- Section 144 has been imposed as a precautionary measure for Cyclone Nilofar. The law has been imposed on the coastal belt of Karachi, Thatta, Sajawal and Badin
- Request has been made by Karachi Commissioner from Pakistan Navy, Maritime Security Agency and Coast Guard to arrange the immediate return of fishermen from sea, who could not manage to return.
- PDMA has established emergency center at PDMA office Karachi, which is working for 24 hours
- Rescue 1299 has issued alert through sms to concerned departments and charity rescue workers, including Cheepa, Edhi and Silani
- PDMA issued advisories to concerned departments, including home department, local government department, health department, K-Electric, HESCO, KWS, WASA, Sindh coast development authority and Cantonment Board to take necessary preparedness measure
- Engineering department has directed to districts chief engineers to monitor preventive measures and to establish rain emergency centers in their respective areas
- The emergency centers have been established in district central, district south, district Malir, district east, district west, whereas a central rain emergency center has been setup on the ground floor of the Civic Centre building
- NHN member organization "HANDS" has prepared its resources for 2000 Households which includes Food and non-food items, provision of safe drinking water and medical health camps
- NHN member organization "Fundamental Human Rights & Rural Development Association" (FHRRDA)
 from Badin has also conducted need assessment of communities living close to coastal areas, assessment
 indicates the need of safe water provision, safe evacuation along with sanitation, food and non-food
 items
- NHN Sindh Chapter has issued the press release to raise the concern of school allocations for evacuation

Advocacy Issues Highlighted by NHN

• Provincial Government has to identify other evacuation centers for emergency situation; school allocation can harm the education in effected districts.

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