

**Instruction regarding preparedness for the Impending Monsoon Season and Forest Fire,
by line Departments.**

- 1. The cleaning /clearing of drains, channels, nallahs to ensure free flow of rain water.**

The PWD, IPH/Special Area Development Authority (SADA), Panchayati Raj institutions may take up this activity in a campaign mode. Pre-monsoon de-siltation, clearing of water channels, removal of blockage and encroachments from the drainage systems and flood plains may be ensured. The losses due to blockage of drains etc. will be viewed as the lack of preparedness.

- 2. Early Warning/ Advisories by the IMD,CWC, project Authorities and Alerting People**

Special attention needs to be paid for dissemination of weather advisories, early warning and weather forecast issued by the IMD. "Now Cast" advisories issued by IMD at a notice of 3-4 hours also need to be disseminated quickly. The project/power authorities are directed to put in the place adequate system of alerting the public in downstream to avoid losses due to sudden flow of water which may result loss of life and property. Adequate arrangement should be made to alert the population at the downstream at their own and keep the district authorities in the loop too. Warning signals should be clear and understandable. Simply blowing the sirens have little meaning. Vulnerable population should be shifted/evacuated, wherever and wherever needed. The early warnings issued by the Central Water Commission be also seen regularly. The public may be informed using electronic and print media. The advisories issued by IMD will be disseminated to all officers by DDMA Kinnaur for information and necessary action.

- 3. Identification of vulnerable areas**

The Executive Engineer (B&R) Karcham, Kalpa, NH-05 and O.C GREF may identify landslides prone areas, vulnerable roads stretches, apart from listed below and make adequate arrangement for clearing of roads in the event of blockades.

Vulnerable Areas:-

- A) Nigulsari
- B) Urni
- C) Pagal Nallah
- D) Pangi nallah
- E) Shalkhar
- F) Malling Nallah

9. Repair/Restoration and Preventive Measures

The department may identify and ensure clearing of uprooted trees without much loss of time from roads, etc. Dry and dangerous trees may also be identified and actions be taken to prevent loss/damage. The PWD department is directed to ensure availability of temporary bridges and pre-position them suitably. The Irrigation and Public Health Department may take steps for providing safe drinking water, in order to prevent outbreak of water borne diseases. Regular cleaning of water sources may be undertaken.

10. Dos and Don'ts

Effective IEC activities with regard to following hazards may be carried out, Such as floods/flash floods, lightning, snake bites, electrocution. While planning and organizing yatra during this season, the IMD weather forecast may taken into consideration.

11. Forest Fire

In case of any forest fire it is vital to establish good co-ordination with various departments and also involve Panchayats and public. Fire tenders are also very useful for fire close to the road side. Any fire incident may be immediately reported to the DEOC.


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