



GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DEFENCE DIVISION)  
PAKISTAN METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT  
FLOOD FORECASTING DIVISION  
46-JAIL ROAD LAHORE-54000



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## DAILY FLOOD BULLETIN 18-SEP-2026

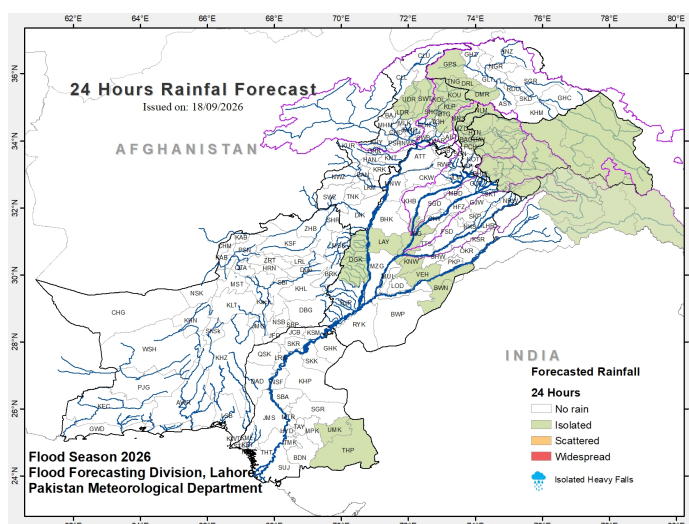
### RIVERS AT A GLANCE

| INDUS     | KABUL     | JHELMUM   | CHENAB    | RAVI      | SUTLEJ    |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Below Low | Below Low | Below Low | Below Low | Below Low | Below Low |

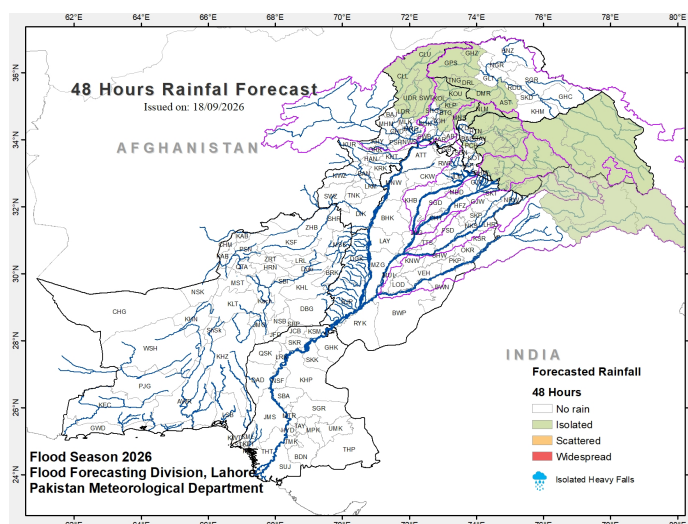
### FLOOD SEVERITY SCALE

| Below Low | Low | Medium | High | Very High | Exceptionally High |
|-----------|-----|--------|------|-----------|--------------------|
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### RAINFALL FORECAST — NEXT 24 & 48 HOURS



Rainfall forecast — next 24 hours



Rainfall outlook — next 48 hours

## RIVERS SITUATION AND QUALITATIVE FLOOD FORECAST

### I. METEOROLOGICAL FEATURES

- A trough of westerly wave lies over the central and upper parts of the country.
- Seasonal low-pressure area lies over west Balochistan.
- Weak moist currents from Arabian Sea are penetrating into the lower parts of the country up to 2,000 feet.

### II. METEOROLOGICAL OUTLOOK

- **Mainly dry weather** is expected over most parts of the country, however, **Isolated rain-wind/thunderstorm** is expected over the **catchments of all the major rivers, upper Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Kashmir, southeast Sindh, Gilgit-Baltistan and south Punjab** during next **24-hours**.

### III. HYDROLOGICAL SITUATION at 0600 PST

- All major rivers are flowing in their normal flows at all gauging stations.



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#### **IV. HYDROLOGICAL OUTLOOK**

- Flows in all major rivers are expected to remain within the normal flow range at their respective rim stations.

#### **V. WEATHER FORECAST FOR 24-HOURS**

- **Mainly dry weather** is expected over most parts of the country, however, **Isolated rain-wind/thunderstorm** is expected over **the upper catchments of all the major rivers,**

**Khyber Pakhtunkhwa:** Batagram, Kohistan, Mansehra, Shangla, Swat and Dir.

**Punjab:** Bahawalnagar, Dera Ghazi Khan, Jhang, Khanewal, Layyah and Vehari.

**Sindh:** Tharparkar and Umer Kot.

**Gilgit-Baltistan:** Darel, Diamir, Gupis and Tangir.

**Kashmir:** Bagh, Haveli, Hattian Bala, Muzaffarabad, Poonch and Neelum.

#### **VI. WEATHER OUTLOOK FOR NEXT 48-HOURS**

- **Mainly dry weather** is expected over most parts of the country, however, **Isolated rain-wind/thunderstorm** is expected over **the upper catchments of all the major rivers,**

**Khyber Pakhtunkhwa:** Batagram, Chitral, Kohistan, Mansehra, Swat and Dir.

**Gilgit-Baltistan:** Astore, Darel, Diamir, Ghizer, Gupis and Tangir.

**Kashmir:** Neelum and Poonch.

#### **WEEKLY SIGNIFICANT OUTLOOK**

**(19<sup>th</sup> September, 2026 to 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2026)**

#### **I. RAINFALL OUTLOOK**

- Mainly dry weather is expected over most parts of the country during the period.

#### **II. FLOOD OUTLOOK**

- Flows in all major rivers are expected to remain within the normal flow range at their respective rim stations.



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### 3. WEATHER/RAINFALL FORECAST FOR NEXT 24-HRS

| RIVERS  | Upper Catchments<br>(Above Rim Stations) | Lower Catchments<br>(Below Rim Stations) | RESERVOIRS LEVEL (FEET) at (0600 PST)                                                                                                                   |
|---------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| INDUS   | Isolated rain-wind/thunderstorm          | Mainly dry                               | <b>TARBELA</b>                                                                                                                                          |
|         |                                          |                                          | <br>Level <b>1540.38 ft</b><br>1380.00 dead → 1550.00 max cons.       |
| JHELMUM | Isolated rain-wind/thunderstorm          | Mainly dry                               | <br>Storage <b>90.09% live</b><br>0.960 dead + 5.027 / 6.511 MAF live |
| CHENAB  | Isolated rain-wind/thunderstorm          | Mainly dry                               | <b>MANGLA</b>                                                                                                                                           |
| RAVI    | Isolated rain-wind/thunderstorm          | Mainly dry                               | <br>Level <b>1218.90 ft</b><br>1040.00 dead → 1242.00 max cons.       |
|         |                                          |                                          | <br>Storage <b>75.66% live</b><br>1.000 dead + 5.506 / 7.387 MAF live |
| SUTLEJ  | Isolated rain-wind/thunderstorm          | Isolated rain-wind/thunderstorm          |                                                                                                                                                         |

### 4. QUANTITATIVE FLOOD FORECAST OF GAUGING STATIONS (IN THOUSANDS OF CUSECS)

| RIVERS  | Stations  | Actual Observations at 0600 PST |         | Quantitative Forecast for Next 24-hrs (Inflow) | Qualitative Forecasted Flood Level (Inflow) | Max Flood Peaks (In Thousands of Cusecs) |           |                   |
|---------|-----------|---------------------------------|---------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
|         |           | Inflow                          | Outflow |                                                |                                             | Historical                               |           | Flood Season 2026 |
| INDUS   | Tarbela   | 110.0                           | 128.3   | 95 - 105                                       | Below Low                                   | 832.0                                    | EH (2010) | 343.0             |
| INDUS   | Kalabagh  | 158.3                           | 150.3   | 145 - 165                                      | Below Low                                   | 950.0                                    | EH (1942) | 464.1             |
| INDUS   | Chashma   | 172.1                           | 162.1   | 150 - 170                                      | Below Low                                   | 1038.9                                   | EH (2010) | 378.6             |
| INDUS   | Taunsa    | 153.1                           | 132.8   | 140 - 150                                      | Below Low                                   | 960.0                                    | VH (2010) | 386.3             |
| INDUS   | Guddu     | 133.2                           | 106.5   | 120 - 130                                      | Below Low                                   | 1199.7                                   | EH (1976) | 426.9             |
| INDUS   | Sukkur    | 95.8                            | 45.0    | 85 - 95                                        | Below Low                                   | 1166.6                                   | EH (1986) | 369.5             |
| INDUS   | Kotri     | 65.6                            | 27.8    | 50 - 60                                        | Below Low                                   | 980.3                                    | EH (1956) | 184.1             |
| KABUL   | Nowshera  | 19.1                            | 19.1    | 10 - 20                                        | Below Low                                   | 391.3                                    | EH (1990) | 78.5              |
| JHELMUM | Mangla    | 20.0                            | 22.7    | 10 - 20                                        | Below Low                                   | 1090.0                                   | EH (1992) | 137.0             |
| JHELMUM | Rasul     | 22.8                            | 5.3     | No sig. change                                 | Below Low                                   | 952.2                                    | EH (1992) | 63.7              |
| CHENAB  | Marala    | 42.7                            | 14.5    | 30 - 40                                        | Below Low                                   | 1100.0                                   | EH (1957) | 275.6             |
| CHENAB  | Khanki    | 33.3                            | 25.8    | No sig. change                                 | Below Low                                   | 1086.4                                   | EH (1959) | 261.5             |
| CHENAB  | Qadirabad | 26.5                            | 6.9     | No sig. change                                 | Below Low                                   | 1078.0                                   | EH (2025) | 267.2             |
| CHENAB  | Trimmu    | 20.4                            | 8.9     | No sig. change                                 | Below Low                                   | 944.3                                    | EH (1928) | 193.8             |
| CHENAB  | Punjnad   | 18.9                            | 5.1     | No sig. change                                 | Below Low                                   | 802.5                                    | EH (1973) | 146.6             |
| RAVI    | Jassar    | 3.9                             | 3.9     | 02 - 05                                        | Below Low                                   | 680.0                                    | EH (1955) | 36.2              |
| RAVI    | Shahdara  | 17.0                            | 17.0    | No sig. change                                 | Below Low                                   | 576.0                                    | EH (1988) | 33.6              |



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|               |           | Inflow                          | Outflow |                                                |                                             | Historical                               |           | Flood Season 2026 |
| RAVI          | Balloki   | 40.4                            | 13.5    | 30 - 40                                        | <b>Below Low to Low</b>                     | 389.8                                    | EH (1988) | 87.7              |
| RAVI          | Sidhnai   | 18.5                            | 3.3     | No sig. change                                 | <b>Below Low</b>                            | 330.2                                    | EH (1988) | 61.7              |
| <b>SUTLEJ</b> | G.S. Wala | 0.7                             | 0.7     | 0.2 - 01                                       | <b>Below Low</b>                            | 837.0                                    | ** (1955) | 8.3               |
| SUTLEJ        | Sulemanki | 17.7                            | 5.9     | No sig. change                                 | <b>Below Low</b>                            | 598.9                                    | EH (1955) | 27.2              |
| SUTLEJ        | Islam     | 1.3                             | 0.0     | No sig. change                                 | <b>Below Low</b>                            | 492.6                                    | EH (1955) | 10.7              |

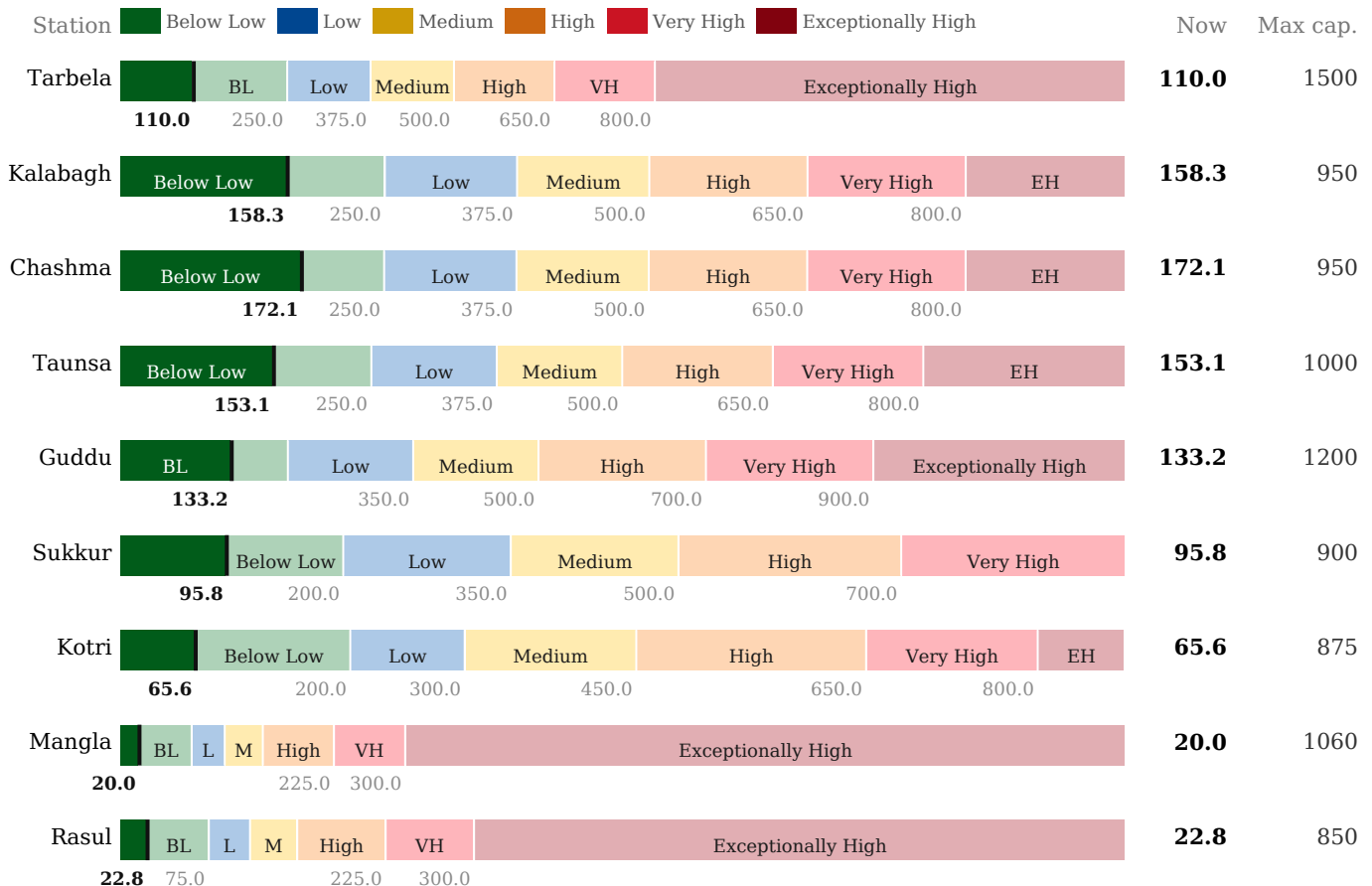
**Spatial:** Isolated=20 to 30% of area | Scattered=31 to 50% of area | Fairly Widespread=51 to 75% of area | Widespread=76 to 100% of area, R= Rising, F=Falling

**Intensity (mm/24 hours):** Light ≤ 10, Moderate =10.1 - 30, Heavy=30.1 - 70, Very Heavy=70.1 - 150, Extremely Heavy > 150

**Note:** Concerned Departments may contact FFD, Lahore for rectification up-dation (if any)

## 5. HOW CLOSE IS EACH RIVER TO ITS LIMIT?

**Balloki is in below low to low flood at 40.4 — 24.6 below its medium flood level (65.0).** Each bar is one station's own flood levels across its maximum capacity; the solid run is the flow so far, the pale run is the room still left.





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All figures in thousands of cusecs. Full bar = maximum (design) capacity. Solid colour is the flow reached so far and the pale wash beside it is the room still left; the dark line between them is the current reading, printed beneath it. Thin white lines are that station's flood levels with their thresholds beneath, so the same colour can begin at a different point on every bar. Each band is named inside itself — initialled (BL, L, M, H, VH, EH) where the band is too narrow for the words, and left blank where it is too narrow for those. Stations without a design capacity are not shown.



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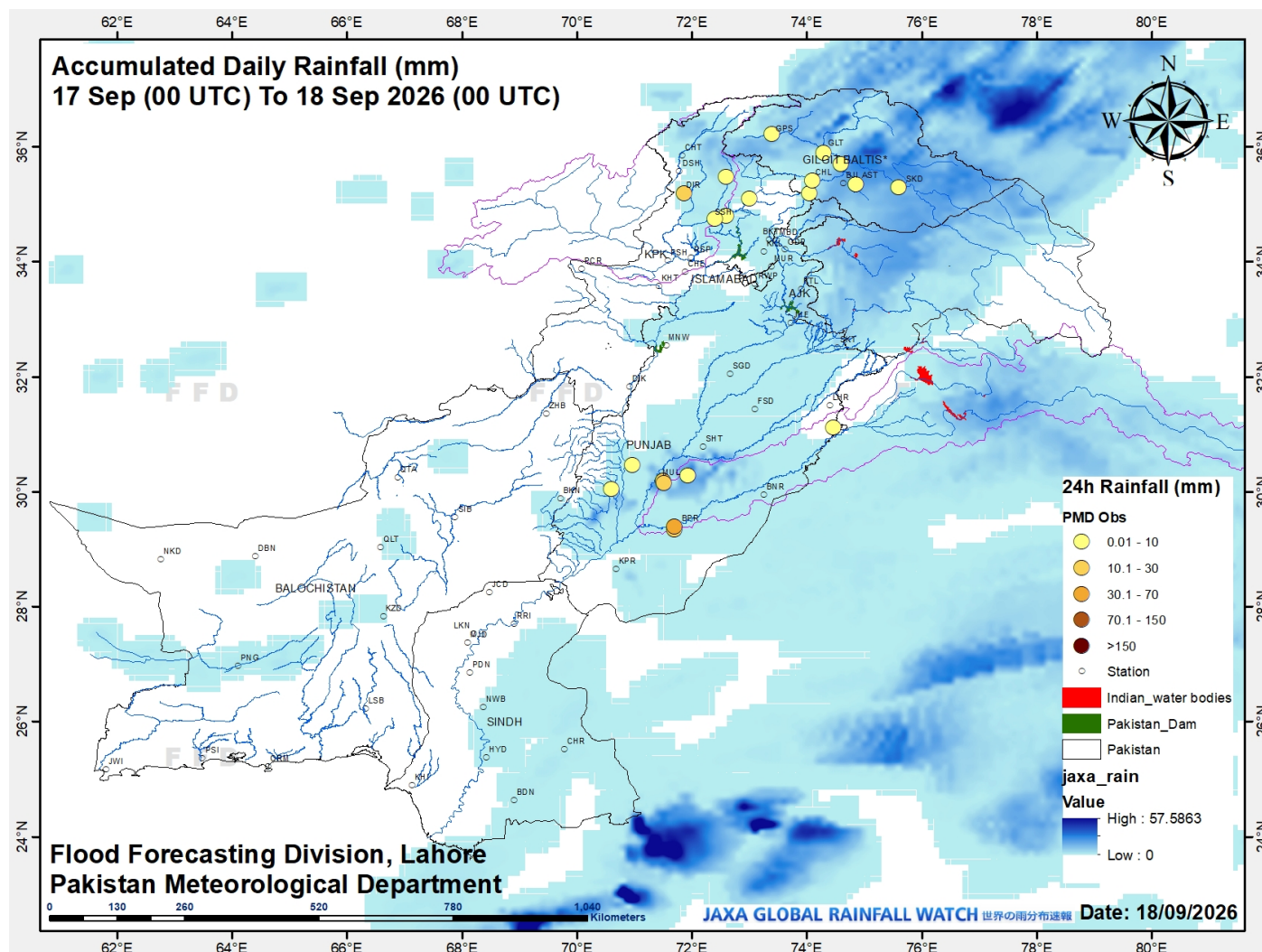


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**6. RAINFALL RECORDED — LAST 24-HRS (UPTO 0800 PST)**



Rainfall recorded — last 24 hours (upto 0800 PST)



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**7. RIVERS CATCHMENTS RAINFALL RECORDED (MM) DURING LAST 24-HRS (UPTO 0800 PST)**

**Indus:** Dir=20, Pattan=08, Khawagoobo Bridge, Gupis & Saidu Sharif=06(each), Gilgit=04, Malam Jabba=03, **DG Khan** (Airport=02 & Bela Vidore=Trace), Kalam & Babusar=02(each), Arandu Nullah, Chilas & Skardu=01(each), Phularwan, Pashat-Bajaur & Astore=Trace(each).

**Chenab:** Muzzafargarh=91, **Multan** [Sammejabad=45, Surjani town=30, Khan Village=28, Kirijamadan=22, Airport=19, Chungi No.9=17 & City=11], Kot Addu=10, Hafizabad=07, Daulat Nagar & Palku=Trace(each).

**Sutlej:** **Bahawalpur** (City=31 & Airport=20) & Kasur=Trace.

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26. All Other Concerned



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