



GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
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PAKISTAN METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT
FLOOD FORECASTING DIVISION
46-JAIL ROAD LAHORE-54000



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DAILY FLOOD BULLETIN 18-AUG-2026

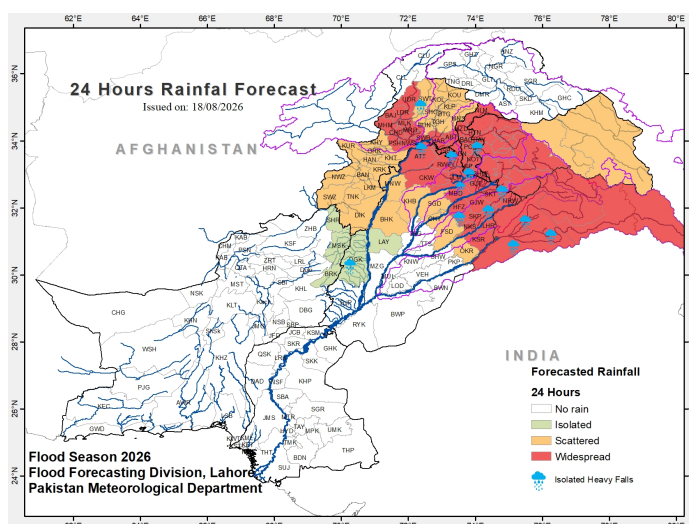
RIVERS AT A GLANCE

INDUS	KABUL	JHELM	CHENAB	RAVI	SUTLEJ
Low (Kalabagh, Chashma, Taunsa & Guddu)	Below Low	Below Low	Below Low	Below Low	Below Low

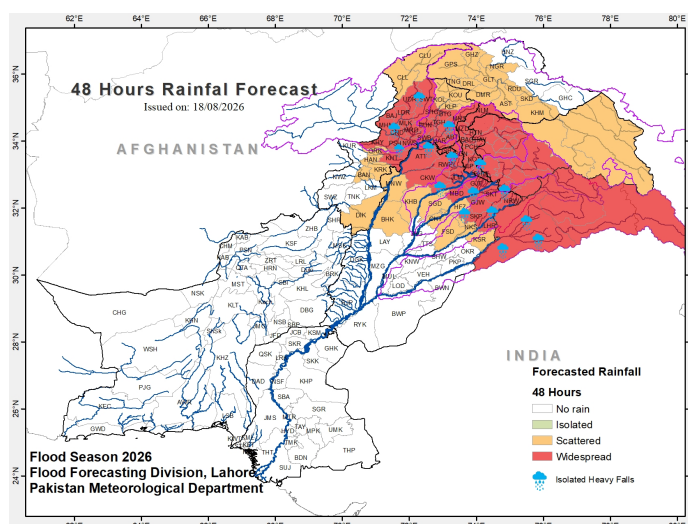
FLOOD SEVERITY SCALE

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

- Yesterday's trough of westerly wave over northern parts of the country persists.
- Yesterday's low pressure system over south West Bengal has moved northwards and today lies over north West Bengal and adjoining Jharkhand (India).
- Seasonal low-pressure area lies over northeast Balochistan.
- Moderate moist currents from Arabian sea and Bay of Bengal are penetrating into the upper parts of the country up to 5,000 feet.

II. METEOROLOGICAL OUTLOOK

- **Widespread rain-wind/thunderstorm with isolated heavy falls** is expected over the **upper catchments of Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi & Sutlej rivers, Islamabad, Kashmir, upper Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and upper Punjab** during next 48-hours.



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III. HYDROLOGICAL SITUATION at 0600 PST

- **Tarbela reservoir** is currently at its **Maximum Conservation Level** and is at **full capacity**, while **Mangla reservoir** is **70%** filled.
- **River Indus** at Kalabagh, Chashma, Taunsa and Guddu is in **Low flood level** at downstream.

IV. HYDROLOGICAL OUTLOOK

- **River Ravi and Chenab** including their associated nullahs are likely to attain **Low to Medium Flood level** during next 48-hours.
- **River Jhelum at Mangla (upstream)** may attain **Low Flood Level** during next **48-hours**.
- **Urban flooding** is expected in Rawalpindi, Lahore, Gujranwala, Sialkot, Faisalabad and Gujrat during next **48-hours**.

V. WEATHER FORECAST FOR 24-HOURS

- **Widespread rain-wind/thunderstorm** with **isolated heavy falls** is expected over the **upper catchments of Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi & Sutlej rivers, Islamabad, Kashmir,**

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa: Abbottabad, Bajaur, Charsadda, Haripur, Dir, Malakand, Mardan, Mohmand, Nowshera, Peshawar and Swabi.

Punjab: Attock, Chakwal, Gujranwala, Gujrat, Hafizabad, Jhelum, Kasur, Lahore, Mandi Bahauddin, Nankana Sahib, Narowal, Rawalpindi, Sheikhupura and Sialkot.

Scattered rain-wind/thunderstorm is expected over the **upper catchments of river Indus**

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa: Bannu, Batagram, Buner, DI Khan, Hangu, Karak, Khyber, Kohat, Kohistan, Kurram, Lakki Marwat, Mansehra, Orakzai, Shangla, Waziristan, Swat and Tank.

Punjab: Bhakkar, Chiniot, Faisalabad, Khushab, Mianwali, Okara and Sargodha.

Isolated rain-wind/thunderstorm is expected over

Punjab: DG Khan and Layyah.

Balochistan: Barkhan, Musakhel and Sherani.

VI. WEATHER OUTLOOK FOR NEXT 48-HOURS

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Punjab: Bhakkar, Chiniot, Faisalabad, Hafizabad, Kasur, Khushab, Mianwali, Nankana Sahib and Sargodha.

Gilgit-Baltistan: Astore, Darel, Diamir, Ghizer, Gilgit, Gupis, Kharmang, Nagar, Rondu, Skardu and Tangir.

WEEKLY SIGNIFICANT OUTLOOK

(19th August, 2026 to 25th August, 2026)

I. RAINFALL OUTLOOK

- **Widespread rain-wind/thunderstorm** with **isolated heavy to very heavy falls** are expected over the upper catchments of **all the major rivers**, including Islamabad, Kashmir, Gilgit-Baltistan, upper Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and upper Punjab from **19th to 21st August** with occasional gaps.

II. FLOOD OUTLOOK

- **River Ravi and Chenab** including their associated nullahs are likely to attain **Low to Medium Flood level** during next 48 hours.
- **Flash flooding** is also expected in the **hill torrents of DG Khan** during next 24-hours and the **tributaries of river Kabul** from **18th to 19th August**.
- **River Jhelum at Mangla (upstream)** may attain **Low Flood Level** during next **48-hours**.
- **Urban flooding** is expected in Rawalpindi, Lahore, Gujranwala, Sialkot, Faisalabad and Gujrat during next **48-hours**.



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3. WEATHER/RAINFALL FORECAST FOR NEXT 24-HRS

RIVERS	Upper Catchments (Above Rim Stations)	Lower Catchments (Below Rim Stations)	RESERVOIRS LEVEL (FEET) at (0600 PST)
INDUS	Scattered thunderstorm/rain	Widespread thunderstorm/rain	TARBELA
			Level 1550.00 ft 1380.00 dead → 1550.00 max cons.
JHELUM	Widespread thunderstorm/rain	Scattered thunderstorm/rain	Storage — Live storage volume not reported
CHENAB	Widespread thunderstorm/rain	Widespread thunderstorm/rain	MANGLA
RAVI	Widespread thunderstorm/rain	Widespread thunderstorm/rain	Level 1212.50 ft 1040.00 dead → 1242.00 max cons.
SUTLEJ	Widespread thunderstorm/rain	Hot and humid	Storage — Live storage volume not reported

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	230.0	235.1	210 - 230	Below Low	832.0	EH (2010)	343.0
INDUS	Kalabagh	334.0	325.7	300 - 330	Low	950.0	EH (1942)	380.7
INDUS	Chashma	318.8	310.0	260 - 280	Low	1038.9	EH (2010)	374.2
INDUS	Taunsa	338.7	318.6	340 - 370	Low	960.0	VH (2010)	385.8
INDUS	Guddu	274.0	237.0	280 R 340	Low	1199.7	EH (1976)	426.9
INDUS	Sukkur	193.0	139.2	210 - 220	Low	1166.6	EH (1986)	369.5
INDUS	Kotri	155.5	112.8	155 - 145	Below Low	980.3	EH (1956)	183.1
KABUL	Nowshera	31.4	31.4	40 - 50	Below Low	391.3	EH (1990)	78.5
JHELUM	Mangla	45.0	7.0	40 - 50 (Sharp peak upto Low)	Below Low	1090.0	EH (1992)	137.0
JHELUM	Rasul	4.4	0.0	No sig. change	Below Low	952.2	EH (1992)	63.7
CHENAB	Marala	61.1	35.9	80 - 110	Low	1100.0	EH (1957)	275.6
CHENAB	Khanki	53.6	46.0	80 - 100	Low	1086.4	EH (1959)	261.5
CHENAB	Qadirabad	36.6	17.0	70 - 90	Below Low	1078.0	EH (2025)	267.2
CHENAB	Trimmu	45.4	33.4	40 - 60	Below Low	944.3	EH (1928)	193.8
CHENAB	Punjnad	49.1	34.4	50 - 60	Below Low	802.5	EH (1973)	146.6
RAVI	Jassar	6.4	6.4	15 - 25	Below Low	680.0	EH (1955)	36.2
RAVI	Shahdara	17.4	17.4	20 - 40	Low	576.0	EH (1988)	33.6
RAVI	Balloki	41.3	15.2	40 - 60	Low	389.8	EH (1988)	87.7



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RAVI	Sidhnai	24.2	9.4	20 - 30	Low	330.2	EH (1988)	61.7
SUTLEJ	G.S. Wala	0.7	0.7	0.5 - 01	Below Low	837.0	** (1955)	3.6
SUTLEJ	Sulemanki	16.6	3.2	No sig. change	Below Low	598.9	EH (1955)	19.9
SUTLEJ	Islam	2.1	0.0	No sig. change	Below Low	492.6	EH (1955)	6.7

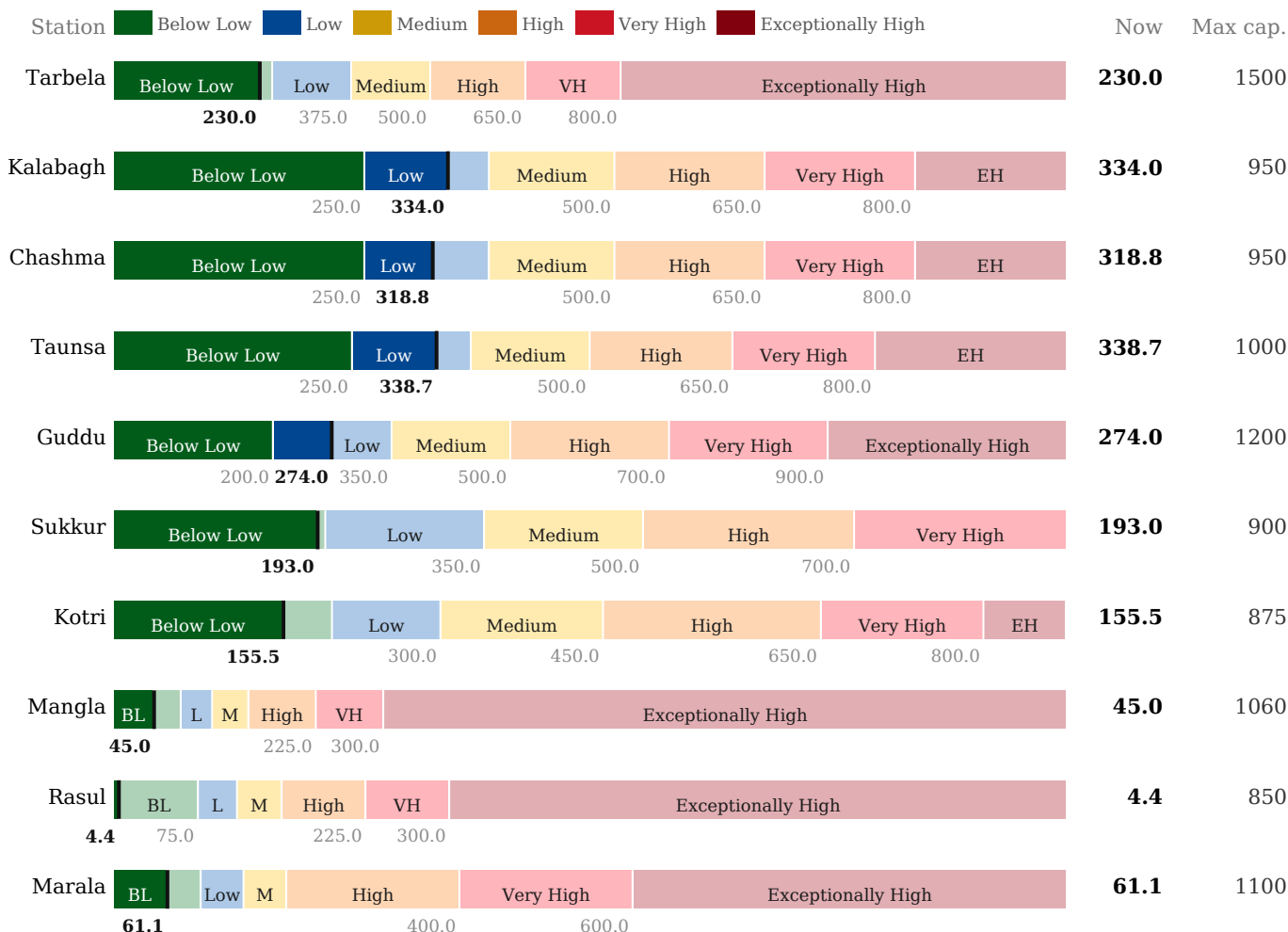
Spatial: Isolated=20 to 30% of area | Scattered=31 to 50% of area | Fairly Widespread=51 to 75% of area | Widespread=76 to 100% of area, R= Rising, F=Falling

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?

Kalabagh is in low flood at 334.0 — 41.0 below its medium flood level (375.0). 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.





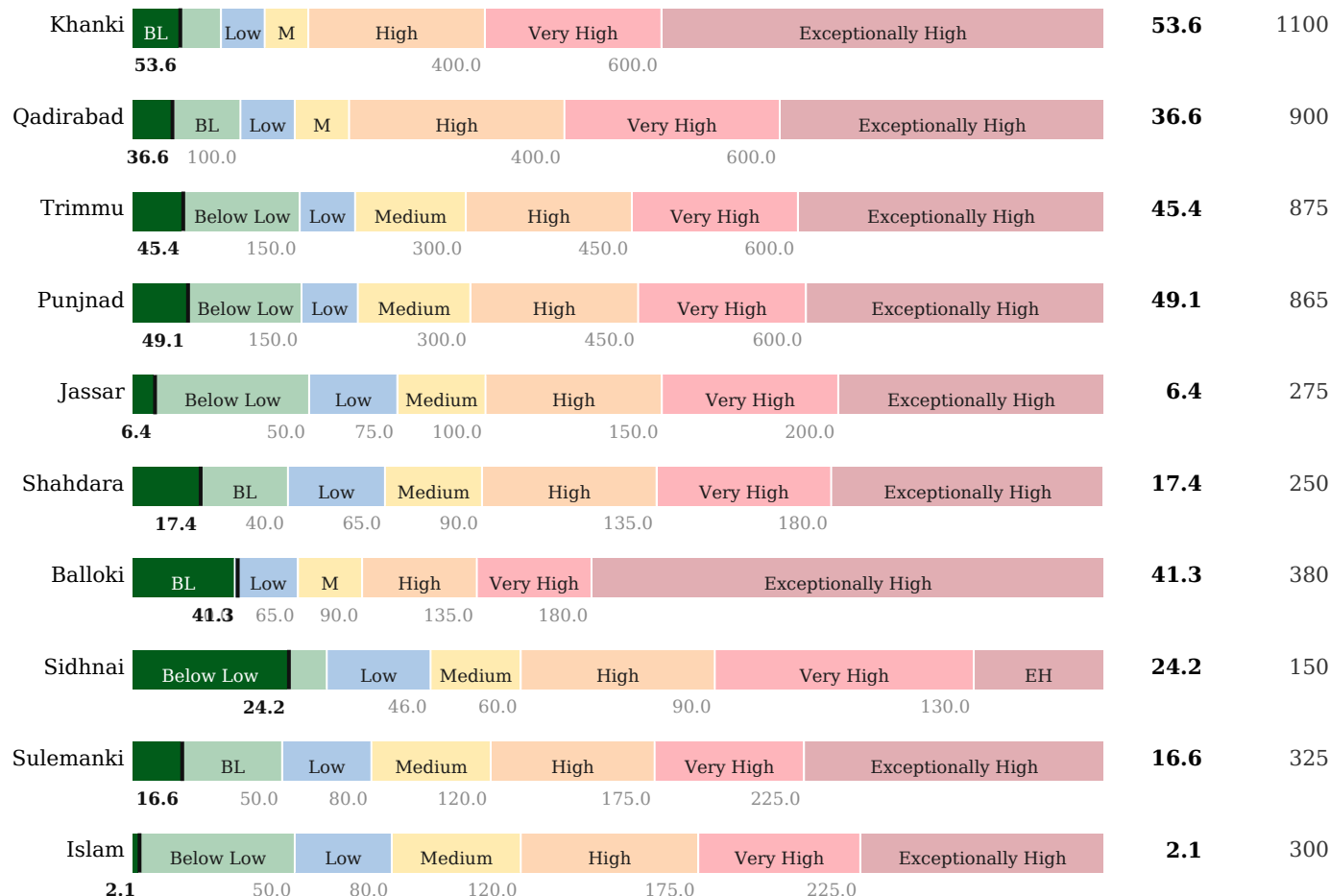
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All figures in thousands of cusecs. Full bar = maximum (design) capacity. Solid colour is the flow reached so far and the pale wash beside it is the room still left; the dark line between them is the current reading, printed beneath it. Thin white 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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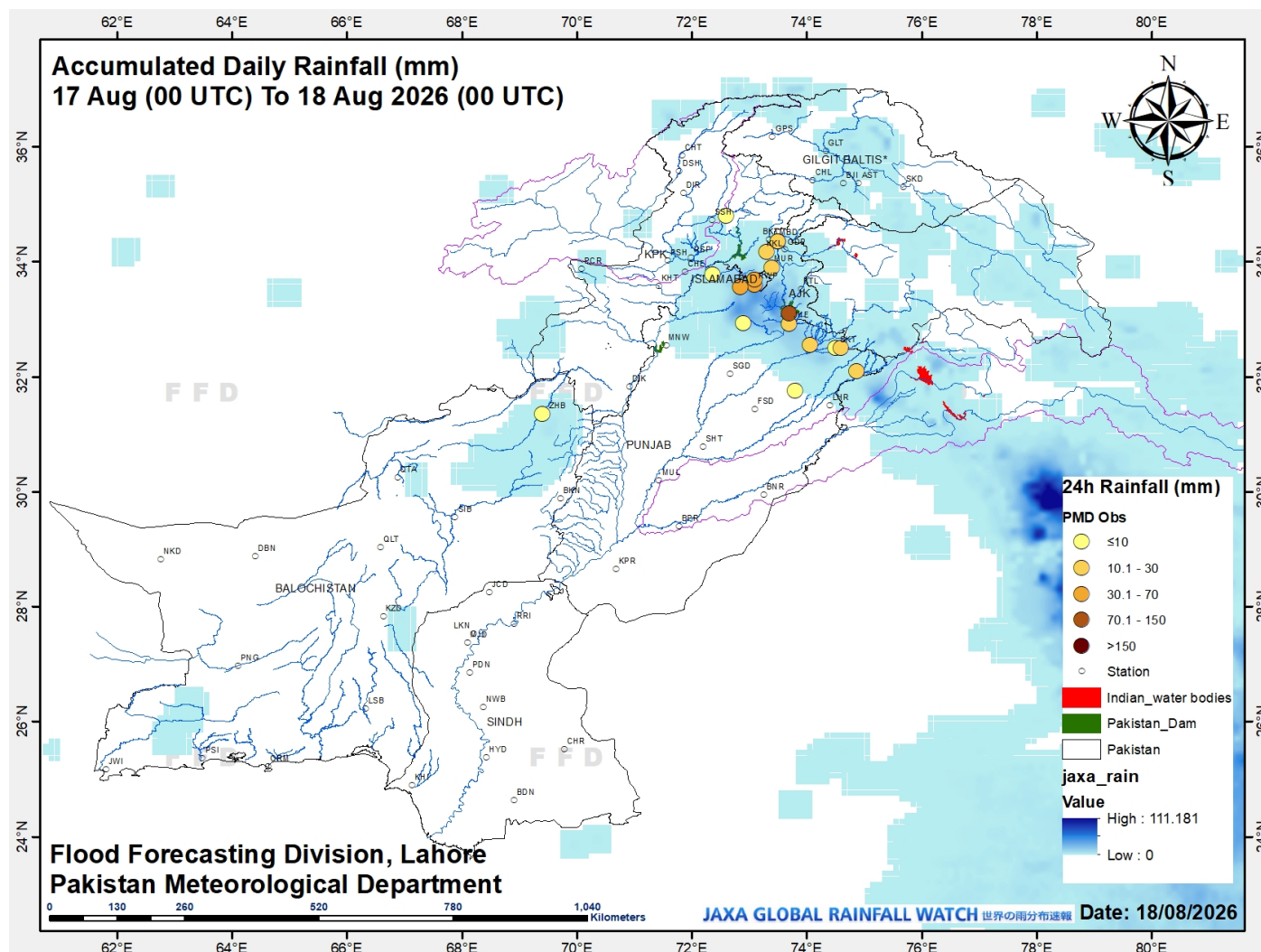


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6. RAINFALL RECORDED — LAST 24-HRS (UPTO 0800 PST)



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: Islamabad [hamsabad=118, Pirwidahi =81, Bokra=71, Gawalmandi & New Kattarian=68(each), Chaklala (Airbase)=62, Katcheri=50, PMD (H-8/2) & New Airport=49(each) & Zeropoint=48, Golra=24, Saidpur Village 04], Peshawar Airport=35, Kamra Airbase=32, Kakul=16, Shinkari=12, Murree=11, Bosak Bridge=09, Attock=07, Malam Jabba=06, Tarbela=04, DG Khan (Bela Vidore=02), Oghi & Mardan=Trace(each).
Jhelum: Mangla=82, Muzaffarabad (City=23 & Airport=12), Qilla Rohtas=20, Domel=17, Kotli & Palandri=15(each), Jhelum=12, Kallar=03, Palote & Chakwal=01(each), Baba Shah Jalal=Trace.
Chenab: Daulatnagar=36, Sialkot (Cantt=28 & Airport=06), Barnala=21, Gujrat=18, Ura (Aik Nullah)=02, Marala=Trace.
Ravi: Narowal=14, Sheikhpura=02.
Others: Noshki=01.

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