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Flood forecasting capability has improved: Chairman NDMA

Chairman NDMA Maj. Gen. Muhammad Saeed Aleem has said that flood forecasting capability of the country has improved to some extent as evident from minimum losses from the recent monsoon season that despite the high flooding situation in eastern rivers. He was speaking at two day International seminar on Reliable Flood Forecasting that began in Lahore on Wednesday.

UNESCO in collaboration with various stakeholders initiated a major project for upgrading the flood forecasting and early warning systems and for risk mapping of floodplains along the Indus River.



The project includes major upgrades to the forecasting software using the remote sensing technologies.

In his welcome remarks, Director General Meteorological Department Arif Mahood said that Pakistan remained prone to hydro-meteorological disasters like storms, drought, earthquake, and cyclones that put a bad impact on the country's economy.

He extended gratitude to UNESCO, and Japan for the implementation of strategic strengthening of flood warning and management capacity of Pakistan project at the time when Pakistan required major upgrade to the flood early warning capacity.

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