



**Pakistan Road Access Update  
As of 10 September 2010**

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**Road Status:**

**KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA PROVINCE**

- WFP has confirmed the viable use of a new surface route from Peshawar to Utror (via Upper Dir) this week using 2 mt trucks. Total travel time was approximately three days.
- Pakistan Military engineering teams are in the process of opening the route from Kalam to Utror. The route is expected to be accessible to light vehicles within one or two weeks.
- Mankial and Matiltan are now accessible by road from Kalam; 4x4 trucks are required.
- NDMA indicated that Kalam may become accessible for 4X4 vehicles within three or four weeks, however it may take up to three months for the area to become accessible by heavy vehicles. Water crossing points will only be viable during periods of low water flow, and full accessibility will be for a short period, as snow is expected to begin hampering access from November.
- The damage to the road from lower to upper Swat is extensive; large sections of the road alongside the river have collapsed and been washed away. These sections require blasting and clearing before becoming accessible.
- The road from Dubair to Pattan and Dasso in Kohistan (KPK) has been opened. However lack of road access remains a major constraint in parts of KPK, particularly the Kandia Valley in Kohistan:
- The road connecting lower and upper Swat (N95) remains closed.
- The Kandia valley "River road" from the Indus river to Kandia Valley (off the N35) remains closed.

**SINDH PROVINCE**

- The N-55 route also known as "Indus Highway" has partially been opened for traffic as over yesterday (Thursday, September 09, 2010) in Sindh Province. Earlier on Tuesday, September 07, 2010 it was restored for traffic in Southern Punjab whereas it is already operational in Khyber Pukhtunkhwa Province. This makes the N-55 route all clear for traffic (source- National Highway Authority).

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### **Status of bridges (source -National Highway Authority):**

The recent unprecedented flash flood during July-August 2010 has damaged/collapsed 19 Nos. bridges of varying lengths in KPK, Northern Areas and Punjab South regions. The details of these bridge along with status of immediate restoration activities and launching of Bailey Bridges is as below:

Sr. No.	Road ID	Bridge Location	Chainage	Damaged Length	Status of Bailey Bridge
1	N-95	Mingora	36+000	55 m	Launched
2	N-95	Sangota	46+000	15 m	To be launched; Diversion provided.
3	N-95	Bridge near Khwazakhela	49+000	14 m	Launched
4	N-95	Madyan - I	94+000	60 m	To be launched
5	N-95	Madyan - II	95+000	56 m	To be launched
6	N-95	Bahrain	105+000	50 m	To be launched
7	N-95	Asrait	125+000	15 m	To be launched
8	N-90	Khwazakhela	3+600	10 m	To be launched; Diversion provided.
9	N-45	Chakdara (old)	88+100	100 m	Launched
10	N-45	Chakdara (new)		200 m	Launched
11	N-15	Batakundi	138+000	30 m	To be launched
12	N-15	Barwai	150+000	25 m	To be launched
13	N-15	Barwai	150+500	22 m	To be launched
14	N-15	Singum	220+000	10 m	Launched
15	N-35	Besham	210+000	25 m	Being Launched
16	N-35	Shograh	231+050	35 m	Being Launched
17	N-35	Dubair	237+000	20 m	Launched
18	N-35	Kail Bridge	257+000	25 m	Launched
19	N-70	Bridge	60+900	20 m	Launched

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