

Cyclone Yemyin kills 14 in Pakistan

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GWADAR, Pakistan - Clean-up and damage assessment were under way Wednesday in southern Pakistan, a day after Cyclone Yemyin killed at least 14 people.

Dr. Qamaruz Zaman Chaudhry, director general of the Meteorological Department, said the storm packed 80 mph winds as it went ashore from the Arabian Sea, Pakistan's Daily Times reported.

The storm made landfall about 45 miles from Karachi.

Various regional officials reported apart from the deaths, some 200 fishermen had been missing since Monday night and naval ships rescued 75 people from four foundering ships.

A storm surge of 10-20 feet lashed the Makran coast near Gwadar but much of the city's populace had evacuated to higher ground, the Dawn daily reported.

Flooding also stranded several thousand people on highways across southern Pakistan as numerous bridges washed away, the reports said.

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