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Press Release

Karachi, 29th of April 2019: Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA) Sindh has made necessary preparations to counter heatstroke in lieu of 'weather forecast / warnings by Pakistan Meteorological Department.

In this regard, necessary guidelines have been issued to all relevant departments / authorities for implementation during heatwave. Meetings were conducted with district administrations, NGO's and welfare organizations to develop mechanism for establishment of camps. PDMA Sindh has also coordinated with HANDS, Saylani Welfare Organization and Alamgir Welfare Trust to assist district administration in establishing 83 camps identified by concerned Deputy Commissioners.

Meanwhile, more than 100 volunteers have been trained to help heatstroke patients by Red Crescent while the training of 800 more volunteers is in process under collaboration of K-Electric.

In order to raise awareness amongst the masses, 1.2 million brochures are being provided for distribution amongst school going children and 1 lac posters would be provided for pasting at prominent places like hospitals and markets etc.

Furthermore, awareness messages would be aired on 10 different FM stations in upcoming month. PDMA is also in process of providing pedestal fans, mist fans, folding beds, towels, bedsheets and pillows to all six Deputy Commissioners of Karachi for establishment of heatwave centers.