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**PROVINCIAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT**

GOVERNMENT OF SINDH

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HEAT WAVE – ALERT

SUBJECT: SEVERE HEATWAVE OVER CENTRAL & UPPER SINDH WILL GRIP ENTIRE SINDH FROM 12 MAY & LAST TILL 16 / 17 MAY

Pakistan Metrological Department has informed that prevailing severe heatwave over central & upper Sindh will grip entire Sindh from 12 May & last till 16/17 May. Daytime maximum temperatures would rise to 46-48 °C in **Dadu, Sukkur, Larkana, Jacobabad, Shaheed Benazirabad, Nosheroferoz, Khairpur, Shikarpur & Ghotki** districts. While, 43-45 °C in **Jamshoro, Hyderabad, Badin, Thatta, Mirpurkhas & Umerkot** districts during the period.

Karachi: Mmaximum temperature may also rise to 38-40 °C on 13-14 May.

POSSIBLE IMPACTS:

- Very hot & dry conditions may cause stress on crops, vegetables & orchards.
- Increased energy demands.
- Farmers are advised to manage their crops.
- Public is advised to avoid open sun exposure as much as possible especially during peak heat hours.

• وسطی اور بالائی سندھ میں برقرار موجودہ گرمی کی لہر 12 مئی سے زیادہ شدت کے ساتھ پورے سندھ کو اپنی لپیٹ میں لے لے گی اور 17/16 مئی تک برقرار رہے گی۔ اس دوران دادو، جیکب آباد، لاڑکانہ، سکھر، خیر پور، گھوٹکی، نوشہرو فیروز اور شہید بینظیر آباد اضلاع میں دن کے وقت زیادہ سے زیادہ درجہ حرارت 46 سے 48 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ تک ہو سکتا ہے۔ جبکہ گرمی کی لہر زیریں سندھ جیسے حیدر آباد، میرپورخاص، بدین، عمرکوٹ کے اضلاع کو بھی اپنی لپیٹ میں لے سکتی ہے جہاں دن کا زیادہ سے زیادہ درجہ حرارت 43 سے 45 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ تک پہنچ سکتا ہے۔

• 13 اور 14 مئی کے دوران کراچی کا زیادہ سے زیادہ درجہ حرارت 38-40 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ تک رہنے کا امکان ہے۔

Keeping above in view, it is recommended that concerned DDMA's and other Relevant Authorities / Stakeholders take all necessary mitigation measures including:

- a. Establishment of Heatstroke Stabilization Centers / Relief Centers at Government and Private Hospitals, Basic / Rural Health Units (B/RHUs), any available government buildings and community centers with generator based electricity and assured provision / availability of water.
- b. Improve coordination with emergency services, also between various departments.
- c. Enhance awareness campaign to educate the public on preventive measures.
- d. Establishment of helpline to address needs of affected people at priority basis
- e. Assist general public in provision of water and necessary emergency medicines for heat stroke victims.
- f. Stockpile necessary emergency relief / medicine stores in drought-affected areas.
- g. Authorities to take appropriate water conservation measures in both urban and rural areas.
- h. Ensure availability of uninterrupted power supply through intimate coordination with concerned departments and provision / availability of standby generators for heatstroke centers/hospitals.

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- i. Emergency services and ambulances with trained paramedics to remain available around the clock, especially during daytime.
- j. Travelers be apprised about weather forecast.

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A copy is forwarded for information & necessary action to:

1. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Health Department, Karachi.
2. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Agriculture Department, Karachi.
3. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Livestock & Fisheries Department, Karachi.
4. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Local Government Department, Karachi (With a request for further dissemination to the DMC's concerned).
5. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Information Department, Karachi (With a request for wide publicity through the electronic & print media).
6. The Commissioner (s) All in Sindh
7. The Metropolitan Commissioner, Karachi Metropolitan Corporation, Karachi.
8. The Deputy Commissioner (s) All in Sindh.
9. The Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Minister Sindh, Karachi.
10. The Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Secretary Sindh, Karachi.
11. The Director (Response), National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad.
12. The Head Quarters ComCoast Karachi.
13. The Head Quarters ComKar, Karachi
14. The Head Quarters, 5 Corps, Karachi.
15. The Managing Director KWSB / WASA to ensure uninterrupted supply of water supply in water scarcity areas..
16. The Chief Executive Officer, KE/HESCO/SEPCO (with a request to ensure availability of uninterrupted power supply for Heatstroke Centers/Hospitals/ General Public).
17. The Chief Executive, Edhi Foundation, Al Mustafa Welafre Trust, Alamgir Welfare Trust, Khidmat-e-Khaliq Foundation, Paksitan Red Crescent Sindh, Chhipa Welafre Organization (with a request to ensure availability of ambulance at densely populated areas as well as near the established Heat Stroke Centres).
18. The Staff Officer to Chairman, National Disaster Management Authority, Islamabad.
19. The PS to Advisor to Chief Minister Sindh, for Relief & Rehabilitation Department Government of Sindh, Karachi.
20. The PS to Secretary Rehabilitation Department, Government of Sindh, Karachi.
21. The PS to Director General, PDMA Sindh, Karachi.