Subject: **Heatwave – Alert No 1**

Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) has issued Heatwave Alert No. 1 and informed that a "Heatwave is likely to grip Karachi city during 1 – 3 May 2019. Day maximum temperature would range from 40-42°C during this period. Wind flows will be from North / Northwest during daytime. Authorities and all stakeholders are requested to take precautionary measures and keep abreast for updates from PMD”.

2. Apropos, especially keeping in view of start of Ramadan 2019, it is recommended that PDMA Sindh and all Relevant Authorities / Stakeholders take all necessary mitigation measures including:-

   a. Establishment of **Heatstroke Stabilisation Centres / Relief Centres** at Government and Private Hospitals, Basic / Rural Health Units (B/RHUs), any available government buildings and community centres with generator based electricity and **assured provision / availability of fresh drinking water**.

   b. **Improve coordination** with emergency services and also between various departments.

   c. Enhance **awareness campaigns** to educate the public on preventive measures.

   d. Establishment of **helpline to address needs of affected people** on priority basis.

   e. Assist general public in **provision of fresh drinking water and necessary emergency medicines** for heatstroke victims.

   f. **Stockpile necessary emergency relief / medicine** stores in drought affected areas.

   g. PDMA Sindh may inform NDMA in timely manner for any assistance with regard to heatwave / wind storms related emergencies such as establishment of heatstroke centres, awareness campaigns, issuance of SMS alerts to relevant areas.
h. Authorities to take appropriate water conservation measures in both urban and rural areas.

i. Ensure availability of uninterrupted power supply through intimate coordination with concerned departments and provision / availability of standby generators for heatstroke centers / hospitals.

j. Emergency services and ambulances with trained paramedics to remain available around the clock, especially during day time.

3. Forwarded for your further necessary action, please.

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