Subject: **Heatwave – Alert No 2**

Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) has issued Heatwave Alert No. 2 and informed that “another heat-wave is likely to grip Karachi city and surroundings during 25-27 May 2019. Day temperatures would rise to 39-41ºC during this period. Wind flow will mainly be from northwesterly during day time. Authorities and all stakeholders are requested to take necessary precaution and keep them abreast from heat-wave updates by Pakistan Meteorological Department”.

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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