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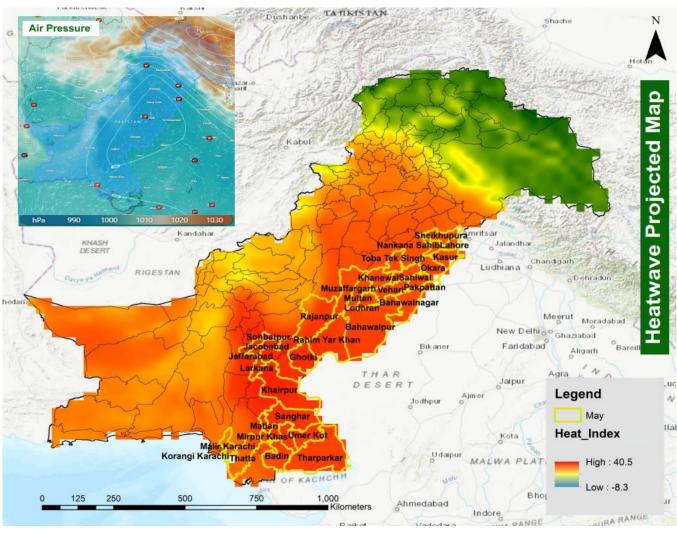


Dated: 19 May 2025

Subject: Heatwave Conditions Predicted in the Country from 20th to 24th May 2025

A high pressure is likely to persist in **upper atmosphere** during the **current week**. Under the influence of this meteorological condition:-

- a. Day temperatures are likely to remain 04 to 06°C above normal in Southern half (Sindh, Southern Punjab and Balochistan) from 20th to 24th May 2025.
- b. Day temperatures are likely to remain 05 to 07°C above normal in Upper half (Central & Upper Punjab, Islamabad, Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, Kashmir, Gilgit-Baltistan) from 20th to 24th May 2025.
- c. **Dust-storm /gusty winds** are expected at isolated places over plain areas due to excessive heating during the forecast period.



3. All PDMAs, SDMA, GBDMA, ICT Administration, Health Departments, Line Departments, Rescue Agencies/ Responders/ USAR Teams, Armed Forces and Federal Ministries/ Departments are advised to undertake proactive and timely measures to

prepare for and respond to the **anticipated heatwave conditions** in light of the current climate situation. The following guidelines are issued for adoption and implementation:-

a. **Institutional Measures**

- (1) PDMAs, in coordination with DDMAs and local administration, should launch extensive public awareness campaigns highlighting the dangers of heatwaves and promoting preventive measures.
- (2) Ministries, provincial departments and educational authorities must implement steps to protect children in schools from exposure to heatwave conditions, including schedule adjustments or temporary closures if necessary.
- (3) Identification of high-risk areas and establishment of heatstroke treatment centers equipped with medical staff, basic treatment equipment and water supplies.
- (4) Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations & Coordination (MoNHSR&C) should issue directives to enhance hospital and departmental capacities for managing heat-related emergencies.
- (5) PDMAs, in collaboration with local authorities, must develop emergency response protocols to address heatwave incidents effectively and efficiently.
- (6) Educational institutions, NGOs and community organizations should educate students and local communities on recognizing heatstroke symptoms, emergency procedures and how to access medical support.
- (7) PDMAs/ DDMAs/ Local Administrations should stockpile emergency supplies, including first aid kits, ORS/ electrolyte drinks, cooling aids, water dispensers and ensure availability in strategic urban and rural locations.
- (8) Establish robust communication channels to disseminate timely alerts, weather updates and information regarding emergency shelters, cooling centers and medical assistance resources.
- (9) Collaborate with stakeholders to set up cooling centers in densely populated and underprivileged areas for people without access to air conditioning.
- (10) PMD and NDMA Tech Team must continuously monitor heatwave trends and intensities, ensure accuracy in forecasting and share updates with relevant authorities.

- (11) PDMA KP and GBDMA are to closely monitor GLOF-vulnerable sites, particularly in Northern and glaciated regions, as the ongoing heatwave may trigger Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF) incidents.
- (12) Emergency Services (Rescue 1122/ Fire Brigades), Forest Department and Local Administration to remain alert against possible forest and urban fire and undertake preventative measures against fires where possible.

b. **Individual Preventive Measures**

- (1) Stay **well-hydrated**; carry and drink plenty of clean water throughout the day.
- (2) Avoid direct exposure to sunlight, especially during peak hours (11:00 AM to 4:00 PM).
- (3) Keep informed of local weather conditions through reliable media or mobile applications.
- (4) Use **curtains**, **shades**, **or blinds** to reduce indoor heat from sunlight.
- (5) Place **fans near windows** during nighttime to improve ventilation and indoor cooling.
- (6) Install **green shades** outside windows to naturally lower indoor temperatures.
- (7) Use **reflective materials (e.g., aluminum foil)** on windows to deflect sunlight and reduce indoor heat.
- (8) Promote the use of appropriate **protective measures**, such as **lightweight**, **loose-fitting** and **light-colored clothing**, along with **SPF** and **hats**.
- (9) In case of symptoms like dizziness, nausea, or weakness, consult a doctor immediately.
- (10) Plan outdoor work or **physical activity** during **cooler parts of the day** and avoid unnecessary travel.
- (11) Give special attention to the elderly, infants and those with preexisting health conditions.
- (12) Farmers are advised to manage their crop activities keeping in view the weather conditions and take care of their livestock as well.

c. <u>Vehicle Safety and Travel Precautions</u>

- (1) Plan all travel carefully; avoid moving during peak heat hours when possible.
- (2) Avoid long-distance travel during extreme heat unless necessary. High temperatures increase strain on vehicle systems.

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(3) Ensure vehicle fitness by checking engine fluids, air-conditioning systems, tyre pressure and battery levels. Get vehicles inspected by a mechanic prior to summer travel.

d. Additional Recommendations

- (1) Encourage local cable operators and media to run heatwave awareness messages and health tips.
- (2) Coordinate with WASA/ municipal bodies to ensure uninterrupted water supply in heat-prone localities.
- (3) Encourage Mosques, community centers and public institutions to serve as temporary cooling shelters.
- (4) Ensure hydration corners or water booths at major public gathering points such as markets, bus terminals and parks.
- 4. In case of any eventuality, routine updates will be shared with NDMA.
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Heatwave Alert:

Date: 19th May, 2025 Time: 16:30 PST

Heatwave is likely to continue during the current week

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Possible Impacts and advice:

- Due to heatwave conditions in the country, general public especially children, women and senior citizens are advised to take precautionary measures.
- Avoid exposure to direct sun light during the day time and remain hydrated.
- Farmers are advised to manage their crop activities keeping in view the latest weather conditions and take care
 of their livestock as well.
- Rising temperatures in northern areas may enhance snowmelt rate during the forecast period.
- Judicious use of water is requested in all fields of life.

Note: All concerned authorities are advised to remain "ALERT" and take necessary measures to avoid any untoward situation due to heatwave conditions.

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محكمه موسميات كے مطابق جواكاز يادود باؤروال تفتے كے دوران بھى موجودر بنے كاامكان بـ جس كے باعث:

- 20 = 24 می کے دوران ملک کے جنوبی علاقوں (سندھ، جنوبی پنجاب اور بلوچستان) میں دن کادر جد حرارت معمول = 04 = 06 گری سینٹی گریڈز یادور ہے کا امکان۔
- 20 = 24 می کے دوران ملک کے بالا فی علاقوں (وسطی / بالا فی بنجاب، اسلام آباد، خیبر پختو نخوا، تشمیر، گلت بلتستان) میں دن کادر جہ ترارت معمول سے 05 = 07 فرگری سینٹی گریڈ زیادہ
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