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Dated: **21 May 2026**

Subject: **Heatwave Conditions Predicted in The Country During Eid Holidays**

Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) informed that a **high pressure** is likely to develop in upper atmosphere on **25<sup>th</sup> May 2026** and likely to strengthen on **26<sup>th</sup> May 2026**. Under the influence of this system, **moderate** to **severe heatwave conditions** are likely to develop over the country from **25<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026**.

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- b. **Maximum temperature** is likely to remain **05 - 07 °C** above normal and may rise to **38 - 40 °C** in the districts "Malakand, Hazara Division, Gilgit Baltistan, Bagh, Rawalakot, Neelum Valley, Haveli and Sudhanoti".
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- d. **Very hot weather** is expected in Karachi during the forecast period and **maximum temperature** is likely to remain **35 - 38 °C**.
- e. **Night temperatures** are also likely to rise during the forecast period.

2. All PDMA, 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) **Relevant PDMAs/ DDMAs** to establish **Heatstroke center** in cattle markets for the complete heatwave **period**.
- (5) **Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations & Coordination (MoNHSR&C)** should issue directives to **enhance hospital and departmental capacities** for managing heat-related emergencies.
- (6) **PDMAs**, in collaboration with local authorities, must **develop emergency response protocols** to address heatwave incidents effectively and efficiently.
- (7) **Educational institutions, NGOs and community organizations** should educate students and local communities on **recognizing heatstroke symptoms**, emergency procedures and how to access medical support.
- (8) **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.
- (9) Establish robust communication channels to **disseminate timely alerts, weather updates** and information regarding **emergency shelters, cooling centers and medical assistance resources**.
- (10) Collaborate with stakeholders to **set up cooling centers** in **densely populated and underprivileged areas** for people without access to air conditioning.
- (11) **PMD and NDMA Tech Team** shall continuously **monitor heatwave trends and intensities**, ensure accuracy in forecasting and share updates with relevant authorities.

- (12) 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.
- (13) 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.
- (14) **PMD/ PDMA/ PDMA, SDMA, GBDMA, ICT Administration, Ministry of Health/ Provincial Health Departments** to ensure monitoring of temperatures and humidity levels and disseminate **weather advisories/ forecasts/ precautionary measures** for general **public**.
- (15) **PDMA, SDMA, GBDMA, ICT Administration** and **health authorities** to develop Union Council level **Heatwave Response Units** to effectively, timely and locally respond to heatwave affected populations.
- (16) **PDMA, SDMA, GBDMA, ICT Administration** to establish and maintain **Control Rooms** for information and coordination during heatwave season. It is imperative that relevant staff is trained in heat-related response and rehabilitation efforts.
- (17) Provide support and resources to **vulnerable populations**, such as the **homeless** and **low-income individuals**, to ensure they have access to **adequate shelter** and **hydration** during heat waves.
- (18) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting to raise heat health awareness campaigns in the country before summer season.
- (19) **Health authorities** and **PDMA, SDMA, GBDMA, ICT Administration** to educate public on the early signs and symptoms of dehydration and subsequent evolving signs and symptoms of heat/ sun stroke including muscle cramps, nausea, committing, light-headedness and heart palpitations.
- (20) **Agriculture/ Irrigation departments** to advise farmers to manage crop water responsibly and harvest wheat as required.
- (21) **Provincial Forest Departments/ Public Health Engineering (PHE)/ Housing & Urban development (HUD)** to encourage green spaces by planting shade trees in cities.
- (22) Limit outdoor work and encourage employers to provide appropriate protective measures for outdoor workers.

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 **(10:00 AM to 5:00 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 pre-existing 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. **Travel Precautions During Eid Leave**

- (1) Avoid **long-distance travel** during extreme heat unless necessary.
- (2) **Plan all travel carefully**; avoid moving during peak heat hours when possible.
- (3) In anticipation of severe heatwaves across Pakistan, **PDMAs, GBDMA, SDMA and DDMA**s are advised to implement strict crowd control and tourist management SOPs in **Northern KP, Punjab and Gilgit-Baltistan**. These measures aim to prevent localized emergencies near vulnerable areas, manage heavy influx and mitigate disaster risks.
- (4) **High temperatures** increase strain on vehicle systems.

- (5) 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) 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 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**.
3. In case of any eventuality, routine updates will be shared with NDMA.
  4. For public awareness, the NDMA has issued heatwave pictorial guidelines (**Annex-B**).
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Time: 1400 PST

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**Possible Impacts and advises:**

- Due to heatwave condition, general public especially children, women and senior citizens are advised to be extra cautious.
- Farmers are advised to manage their crop activities keeping in view the weather conditions and take care of their livestock as well.
- General public is advised to avoid unnecessary exposure to direct sunlight from (1000 to 1600 PST) and remain hydrated.
- Electricity demand/consumption may increase during the forecast period.
- Judicious use of water is requested in all aspects of life.

**Note: All concerned authorities are advised to remain "Vigilant" and take necessary measures to avoid any untoward Situation during the forecast period.**

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# HEATWAVE

## BE PREPARED





**A prolonged period of exceptionally hot weather, characterized by temperatures well above average, posing health risks and environmental challenges.**



**IF YOU ARE UNDER AN EXTREME HEAT WARNING**



**Watch for heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke.**



**Find air conditioning, if possible.**




**Wear light clothing.**



**Never leave people or pets in a closed car.**



**Avoid strenuous activities.**




**Drink plenty of fluids.**



**Watch for heat illness.**

**Heat-Related Illnesses**







Heat Stroke	Heat Cramps	Heat Exhaustion
<b>Signs</b>	<b>Signs</b>	<b>Signs</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High body temperature. A core body temperature of 40 degrees Celsius or higher is the main sign of heatstroke.</li> <li>Red, hot and dry skin with no sweat</li> <li>Rapid, strong pulse</li> <li>Dizziness, confusion or unconsciousness</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Muscle pain</li> <li>Spasms in the stomach, arms or legs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, fast or weak pulse, dizziness, headache, fainting, nausea, vomiting</li> </ul>



# HEATWAVE



## Individual Guidelines

### Prepare



#### Keep Your Home Cool



Cover windows with drapes or shades.



Position fans near windows to draw in cooler air overnight and create cross-ventilation.



Plant trees outside windows to provide shade and reduce sunlight indoors.



Use window reflectors such as aluminum foil to reflect heat back outside.

### During



Find places with air conditioning



If you're outside, find shade.



Stay Hydrated.



#### **Do not use electric fans**

- Electric fans can become counterproductive when air temperatures exceed 35°C
- At very high temperatures, fans blow hot air over the body instead of cooling it
- This can increase heat stress rather than reduce it
- The body may absorb more heat than it loses under such conditions



**Avoid high-energy activities.**

### Respond



#### Heat Cramps Actions

- Go to a cooler location.
- Remove excess clothing.
- Take sips of cool sports drinks with salt and sugar.
- Get medical help if cramps last more than an hour.



#### Heat Exhaustion

##### Actions:

- Go to an air-conditioned place and lie down.
- Loosen or remove clothing.
- Take a cool bath & Take sips of drinks with salt and sugar.
- Get medical help if symptoms get worse or last more than an hour.



#### Heat Stroke Actions:

- Call for emergency medical assistance.
- Cool down constantly monitor temperature until help arrives.



# HEATWAVE



## Mitigation & Prevention (Government)



Keep close monitoring of vulnerable GLOF sites.



Make **judicious use of water** for drinking and cooling-off.



**Emergency Services / Fire Brigades to remain on alert** against Forest fire



**Alert medical services** to maintain requisite facilities such as heatstroke centers.



Take preventative measures against fires where possible



**Coordinate with NHA, NH&MP and FWO/NLC for necessary alerts** to travelers



Avoid direct exposure to sunlight during peak hours (10:00 am - 05:00 pm).



Inform farmers of **greater requirement of water** for crops, orchards and cattle.



# HEATWAVE ALERT

STAY COOL. STAY SAFE. STAY ALIVE.



## WHAT IS A HEATWAVE?

A prolonged period of unusually high temperatures that can seriously affect health, water, and daily life.

## DURING EXTREME HEAT – ACT SMART

### 1. STAY COOL

*Cool body = Safe life*



- Use fans, AC, or shaded areas
- Take cool showers

### 2. HYDRATE OFTEN

*Don't wait for thirst*



- Drink water every 20–30 minutes
- Avoid caffeine & sugary drinks

### 3. DRESS LIGHT

*Loose, light, breathable*



- Wear cotton, light-colored clothes
- Cover head with cap or scarf

### 4. AVOID PEAK HEAT

*No sun, no harm*



- Stay indoors (10 AM – 5 PM)
- Reschedule outdoor work

### 5. NEVER LEAVE IN CARS

*A parked car = deadly trap*



- Not even for a minute
- Check back seats always
- No flammable/ exploding matter in car

### 6. PROTECT THE VULNERABLE

*Check. Care. Support.*



- Elderly, children, sick people
- Ensure hydration & ventilation

### 7. LIMIT PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

*Slow down to stay safe*



- Avoid exercise in heat
- Rest frequently

### 8. LOOK OUT FOR OTHERS

*Kindness saves lives*



- Check on neighbours instead of neighbors and those working outdoors
- Offer water & support

## KNOW THE WARNING SIGNS

### HEAT STROKE

*Body overheating = Life at risk*



- Very high temperature
- Hot, dry skin
- Confusion / unconsciousness



**ACT FAST:**  
Call emergency services immediately

### HEAT EXHAUSTION

*Your body is struggling*



- Heavy sweating
- Weakness & dizziness
- Nausea / headache



**MOVE TO SHADE + HYDRATE IMMEDIATELY**

### HEAT CRAMPS

*Pain is a warning*



- Muscle cramps (legs, arms)



**REST + ELECTROLYTES**

### SIMPLE LIFE-SAVING TIPS



Water is your shield



Shade is your shelter



Rest is your protection



Awareness is your power

## BEAT THE HEAT – DON'T LET IT BEAT YOU



FOR EMERGENCIES  
CALL **1122**



DRINK WATER  
STAY HYDRATED



STAY INFORMED  
CHECK WEATHER UPDATES



STAY PREPARED  
STAY SAFE