

Heat Wave-URGENT
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Department of Women & Child Development

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From

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Joint Secretary to Government

To

All Collectors
All District Social Welfare Officers
All DCPOs

Sub:- Heat wave preparedness and precautionary measures for Summer-2025

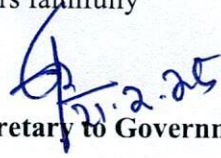
Madam/Sir,

In inviting a reference to the above subject, I am directed to say that, in order to protect pre-school children attending Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) from possible heat wave conditions during Summer-2025, the following preparedness and precautionary measures may be taken immediately :

1. Non-functional tube wells, if any, at AWCs may immediately be repaired by co-ordinating with concerned BDOs.
2. Provision for sufficient safe drinking water may be made in all AWCs. Parents should be sensitized and advised to ensure that children use umbrellas and carry water bottles on opening of the AWCs.
3. Adequate public awareness may be created in the community with special focus on children and pregnant and nursing women to take measures for protection from dehydration.
4. IEC materials may be displayed at Anganwadi Centres and ICDS functionaries sensitised to disseminate heat wave related information. Heat wave, its effects and measures to combat it should be discussed with parents, adolescents and PW/LM during their visits to AWCs
5. Village Health Sanitation Nutrition Day (VHSND) and Routine Immunisation (RI) session platforms may be used to educate the children, adolescent girls, mothers and guardians on heat wave related hazards and precautionary measures to mitigate/prevent the same.
6. ORS packets may be kept at all AWCs and AWWs sensitized to use them as and when required. AWW/AWHs to also be suitably sensitized about heat wave related hazards & precautionary measures to mitigate/prevent the same.
7. Ensure that all Shelter Homes & CCIs have adequate safe drinking water which are suitable to meet the heat wave conditions.

It is, therefore, requested to take appropriate steps in the matter and issue suitable instructions to all concerned for effectively combating heat-wave conditions in the state.

Yours faithfully


Joint Secretary to Government

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Copy forwarded to the P.S. to Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Department of W & CD for kind information of Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Department of W&CD.


Joint Secretary to Government

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Joint Secretary to Government

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Joint Secretary to Government

