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From
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To
All Collectors

Sub: Preparedness to tackle Heat Wave Situation during Summer - 2020

Ref: Letter No2103/R&DM(DM) dated 2.4.2020

Madam/ Sir,

Please refer to the letter cited above regarding preparedness and precautionary measures to tackle heat wave situation during Summer-2020. It is observed that temperature is rising in many parts of the State leading to heat wave like situation. As per Government in Revenue & DM (DM) orders on COVID-19, work in agriculture, horticulture, fisheries and animal resources, forest sectors, MGNREGS, goods transport and certain other activities have been allowed during the lockdown period. All precautionary measures to combat heat wave need to be ensured.

You are, therefore, requested to take the following immediate action:

1. Spare some time out of your busy COVID-19 management schedule to take a review with all concerned officers at District and Sub-district level and ensure that all preparedness measures to combat heat wave are in place.

2. Uninterrupted water supply arrangement must be ensured to all hospitals/dispensaries including PHCs/ CHCs, veterinary hospitals/ dispensaries and LI Centres.

3. A meeting of the District level GO-Coordination Committee may be convened, if required virtually, to arrange for Drinking Water Distribution Points (to be named as ‘Paniya Jala Kendra’) at strategic locations in the district. Strict Instruction is to be issued to observe heiginic practices and maintain social distancing protocols at these Drinking Water Distribution Points.

4. Necessary water arrangements may also be made for stray animals in rural and urban areas as well as for the wild animals in the reserved forests.

Yours faithfully,

Additional Chief Secretary &
Special Relief Commissioner