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To

All the Deputy Director (Higher and Elementary Education) Himachal Pradesh

Subject:

Change in school timings of summer closing schools, due to heat wave conditions.

For last some days some parts of the state especially areas of district Kangra, Una, Hamirpur, Bilaspur, BBN area of Solan district & Paonta Sahib / Nahan area of District Sirmaur etc. are reeling under acute heat wave. These areas are experiencing unprecedented rise in temperature up to 45°C due to the scorching heat. The students of these areas are facing difficulties due to these adverse and harsh hot weather conditions. This has also been reported to the undersigned by various SMCs, PTAs and the parents.

Keeping in view, the harsh weather conditions and ongoing heat waves especially in areas of summer closing schools in the state, it is directed that the schools timings for the students / teachers be changed / adjusted from 7:30 AM to 1:00 PM, if required. The instructions, if any, already issued in this regard by the concerned competent authority under Disaster Management Act or by Dy. Commissioner of concerned district / SDMs of the area be adhered to in letter and spirit.

Further, it is also advised to give additional two drinking water breaks to the students so as to keep them well hydrated during the school timings. The Dy DHEs are also directed to intimate the changed time table to this Directorate immediately.

(Dr. Amarjeet K. Sharma) Director of Higher Education Himachal Pradesh Dated : May, 2024

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1.~	The Secretary (Education) to the Govt. of H.P.
2.	The Director of Elementary Education, H.P.
3.	The District Election Officer / Returning Officer concerned.
4.	All the Principals/Head of the schools of H.P.
5.	The Technical Officer, IT Cell (internal).

Director of Higher Education Himachal Pradesh