





## Battle the Heat, Let it not Defeat Workers



#### Provide medical help in case of emergency



Altered mental sensorium with disorientation



Nausea and vomiting



Hot, red and dry skin



Muscle weakness or cramps



Body temperature ≥ 40 °C or 104 °F



Anxiety, dizziness, fainting and light headedness



Throbbing headache



Rapid heart beat and Rapid, shallow breathing

#### First aid steps in case of heat illness



Rest in shaded area, offer water



Lie down with raised feet, sponge with tap water, offer water

#### Take the affected worker to Nearest hospital or call an ambulance



- If worker is unconscious, don't try to give anything to drink or eat
- If the worker is alert and awake, provide frequent sips of cool water or fluids like ORS solution
- Remove safety gear
- Loosen their clothing while maintain their dignity
- Slowly splash or sponge with tap water
- Increase the air flow by using a fan
- In case of vomiting, turn the worker onto their side to avoid choking









## Safeguard Workers from Heat





#### Provide safe working environment







Cool drinking water facility





Timely medical care



Frequent breaks in comfortable rest area



Cool and comfortable area for child care



Insulate and shield hot equipment



Assign additional workers or slow down work pace

#### Administrative measures

- Schedule mandatory breaks for those working under direct sun
- Schedule strenuous and outdoor work for cooler time of the day i.e morning or evening hours
- Ensure that baby care / crèche center has cool drinking water proper shade, cooling mechanisim and ORS solution
- · Start a buddy system to monitor health of workers









# Symptoms of heat related illnesses



#### Be alert, remember the symptoms And take precautions



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#### If you or others feel unwell



Hydrate yourself



Move to cooler place and take rest



Take cool shower

#### Visit doctor or call ambulance



Heat cramps lasts more than one hour



**Unconscious** 



Body temperature ≥ (40°C or 104°F)



Symptoms get worse



People at risk ▶

















Stay hydrated



**Block direct sunlight** 



Stay covered



Remain indoor during 12:00 PM - 04:00 PM



Avoid going out 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM



activity in Sun



Don't leave kids and pet unattended in vehicle



Avoid alcohol, tea, coffee, high sugary drinks and fizzy drinks



**Avoid cooking** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM



Don't walk barefoot









## Children love playing in the Sun heat should not spoil their fun

#### Symptoms of heat related illness



Fainting



Muscle cramps



Seizures



Irritability



Headache



Increased sweating



Weakness, dizziness



Acts or talk confused



Fast breathing and heartbeat



Nausea and vomiting



Difficulty in waking up or can't wake up



Body temperature rises to 105°F (40.5°C) or higher

#### Be careful when child is



Walking/cycling in Sun



School assembly



Playing barefoot in Sun

#### ∃First aid measures⊦



Bring the child indoors or into the shade immediately



Loosen their clothing while maintaining their dignity



Have the child lie down with slightly raised



Use fan to increase airflow



Sponge with tap water



If the child is alert and awake, provide frequensips of cool, clear fluids



If the child vomits, turn them onto their side to prevent choking



If child is unconscious, don't give anything to drink/ eat

#### - Prevention





Stay hyderated



Cover



Play in sun



Don't lock cars with kids inside

If your child has any of severe symptoms immediately visit nearest health care centre or call ambulance



People at risk

