

Workshop on Disaster Risk Governance & Institutions

Background

Disaster Risk Management (DRM) is a crucial framework that aims to reduce the impact of natural hazards and man-made disasters on communities, economies, and the environment. The importance of disaster risk management cannot be overstated, as it plays a pivotal role in safeguarding lives, preserving infrastructure, and promoting sustainable development. Disaster risk management is a comprehensive and forward-thinking approach that seeks to minimize the impact of disasters on individuals, communities, and nations. By integrating risk reduction measures into development planning, fostering community resilience, and promoting international cooperation, DRM is a key factor in building a safer and more sustainable future.

Disaster Risk Governance and importance of Institutions

Disaster risk governance involves the structures, policies, and processes that guide decision-making, coordination, and implementation of strategies related to disaster risk reduction and management. The relevance of institutions in disaster risk governance cannot be ignored, as they play a pivotal role in shaping and executing effective strategies. Here are key institutions working at National and State level in the country:

1. National Disaster Management Authority
2. National Institute of Disaster Management
3. State Disaster Management Authority e.g. GSDMA
4. State Institute of Disaster Management e.g. GIDM
5. NCC/NSS
6. National Disaster Response Force/ State Disaster Response Force
7. Others like Armed Forces, Hospitals, NGOs and many more.

Case Study

Recently in November 2023, 41 workers were rescued from the Silkyara Tunnel in Uttarkashi district. Rescue operations were immediately launched, with a number of government agencies involved, including the National Disaster Response Force, the State Disaster Response Force, Uttarakhand Police, engineers from the Indian Army Corps of Engineers, and Project Shivalik of the Border Roads Organisation. This event has shown how



Source: Indian Express

institutions are the backbone of effective disaster risk governance. Their roles encompass policy formulation, coordination, resource allocation, capacity building, and engagement with communities. Through a well-structured and collaborative institutional framework, societies can enhance their resilience, reduce vulnerabilities, and better respond to the challenges posed by disasters.

Aim and Objectives

- To understand basics of Disaster Risk Management
- To familiarise the students with various institutions and policies in disaster management
- To showcase the role of various institutions in disaster risk management through a simulation/ group exercise

Collaboration partners with GIDM

- University of Nottingham,
- Centre for Heritage Conservation (CHC), CEPT University
- Hunnarshala Foundation

Date and Time

- Dec 5, 2023
- 10:30 am to 5:30 pm

Venue

- Classroom (First Floor)
- Gujarat Institute of Disaster Management

Target Participants

- Students from CEPT University (Winter School)
- Around 15 students

Registration: The registration has to be done through the QR shared below. All the relevant information will be shared in the WhatsApp group.



QR code: WhatsGroup



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Registration