

# **Women in Disaster Risk Reduction**

## **2 Days Virtual Classroom Program**

### **Concept**

Since the frequency and magnitude of occurrence of natural hazards increased unprecedented within this century, policy makers, researchers and practitioners have endorsed on innovative disaster risk reduction measures towards enhancing resilience. In achieving this, disaster risk governance promotes innovative and accountable approaches enhancing their effectiveness. Multi-stakeholder engagement is a fundamental element of disaster risk governance. Many international strategies and frameworks have identified women as one of the key stakeholders in any disaster management efforts due to many reasons. Women play a significant role in disaster response and recovery stages specifically at household level. However, their roles in the larger scheme of Disaster Risk Management (DRM) is yet to be highlighted. The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (SFDRR), the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Hon'ble PM's 10 Point Agenda – each of these expressively underlines the importance of and the role of women in Disaster Risk Management.

This 2 days Virtual Classroom would explore and emphasise the role of women in disaster risk management – starting from the point of how women can contribute towards Disaster Risk Reduction and what kind of a career can be expected in this field. The Virtual Classroom would be divided into two segments (day-wise). The first day would cover the basics of Disaster Risk Management and the second day would exclusively be narratives of established women from the field.

### **Objectives**

The two days virtual classroom has been designed to meet the following objectives –

1. Give a holistic understanding of the field of Disaster Risk Management and its transdisciplinarity
2. Orient participants about the institutional machinery of Disaster Management in the country and the state
3. Provide information about international agencies, platforms and developments
4. Give a comprehensive idea of where Youth and Young Professionals (YYPs) can contribute to DRR/M
5. Orient participants about the scope of career building, focussing on the role of women

### **Target Participants**

Female participants from colleges, universities, belonging to any sector.