

Concept Note

People with disabilities require special attention during disasters. They may face challenges with mobility, hearing, or seeing. Ensuring their needs are met in emergency plans, providing accessible services, and training responders on these issues is crucial for their safety and dignity. Considering these points, a field level training program on 'Disability Inclusive Disaster Risk Management' may be organized on 31st May 2024, in association with Blind People Association, Jamnagar.

1. Aim
To develop the capacities of target participants by linking their roles in DRM activities with field-level actions using appropriate concept and tools considering global perspectives and action at local level.
2. Background
Gujarat is multi-hazard state and is extremely prone to almost all major natural hazards. State is strengthening the disability related inclusion services along with promoting/adapting the harmonized guidelines & Space Standards for Barrier Free Built Environment for Person with Disability & Elderly Persons and strengthening the inclusion & resilience; so it is pertinent to build the understanding about the Disability inclusion, Do's and Don'ts about disabled person handling during disaster. To build the capacity of field level staff on Disability inclusion and handling Do's & Don'ts about disabled persons, it is proposed to undertake a field level training program on Disability Inclusive DRM.
3. Objectives
To develop a sound understanding about Basics of DRM; To make participants understand local hazards and resulting risks. To enhance the knowledge of SDO, chief officer, chief warden, Dy. warden, District youth coordinator, and other field staff on Disability Inclusive DRM for Inclusion & Resilience; To encourage the use of available standard and applications for inclusion and to reduce new risks; To encourage strengthening of existing capacities through training.
4. Why Training on Disability Inclusive DRM ?
Lack of awareness and ignorance among various stakeholders about the Disability Inclusive DRM; More emphasis on response rather than risk reduction. Absence of awareness about the real challenges Lack of formal training among professional in DiDRM Lack of adequate knowledge and awareness among various stakeholder groups.