

One Day Orientation capacity Building Programme on Disaster Risk Management for Students of the School of Private, Industrial & Corporate Security Management (SPICSM), Rashtriya Raksha University (RRU)

1. Background

The School of Private, Industrial & Corporate Security Management (SPICSM), Rashtriya Raksha University (RRU), is conducting a Certificate Course on Sub Fire Officer (Batch-I) for Junior Commissioned Officers (JCOs) and Other Ranks of the Indian Army and Indian Navy. With their experience in disciplined operations, leadership, security, and emergency situations, the participants are being trained to undertake responsibilities related to fire prevention, fire protection, emergency response, and the management of fire and other emergencies.

In the contemporary risk environment, fire emergencies cannot be viewed in isolation from the broader disaster risk management framework. Urbanisation, industrialisation, hazardous materials, critical infrastructure, technological systems, climate variability, and population concentration have created increasingly complex and cascading emergencies. Fire incidents may rapidly escalate into major emergencies involving explosions, hazardous material releases, structural collapse, mass casualties, disruption of essential services, and large-scale evacuation requiring multi-agency response.

As personnel trained in fire and emergency response, Sub Fire Officers are expected to perform functions beyond firefighting, including risk identification, prevention and preparedness, emergency planning, incident assessment, initial command and control, resource management, rescue and evacuation, protection of life and property, and coordination with multiple agencies. Fire and emergency services also play a critical role in responding to a wide range of incidents, including industrial accidents, hazardous material releases, building collapses, floods, earthquakes, and mass-casualty events. Effective performance in such situations requires not only technical and operational skills but also an understanding of disaster management institutions, Incident Response mechanisms, inter-agency coordination, emergency communication, resource management and stakeholder responsibilities.

The Disaster Management Act, 2005, and the guidelines and advisories of the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) emphasise continuous capacity building of emergency responders, fire services, security forces and other stakeholders involved in disaster management. In this context, GIDM proposes a One-Day Orientation Programme on Disaster Risk Management for participants from RRU. The programme will provide a practical understanding of disaster risk management, preparedness, emergency response, incident management and interagency coordination, with

specific relevance to the professional roles of the participants in fire and emergency services.

2. Aim

To strengthen the disaster risk management and emergency response capabilities of participants with particular emphasis on fire and emergency response, incident management and inter-agency coordination in disaster situations.

3. Learning Objectives

Upon successful completion of the programme, participants will be able to:

- Understand the fundamentals of disaster risk management, disaster preparedness and emergency response.
- Recognise the roles of fire services, Armed Forces, civil authorities and other stakeholders in multi-agency disaster operations.
- Understand the basics of incident management, coordination, communication, rescue, evacuation and emergency response.
- Apply key principles of fire prevention, fire safety and response to fire and other emergencies.
- Learn from major disaster case studies and operational lessons to improve emergency preparedness and decision-making.

4. Training Methodology

The programme will adopt an interactive and participant-centric approach, combining theoretical knowledge with practical discussions and examples relevant to fire and emergency response. The methodology will include:

- Expert lectures supported by audio-visual presentations.
- Interactive discussions and experience sharing with subject matter experts.
- Case studies on major disasters, fire emergencies and emergency response operations.
- Demonstration and discussion on the use of basic fire safety equipment.
- Orientation on the Incident Response System (IRS), disaster management framework, and inter-agency coordination.
- Question-and-answer sessions, participant interaction, and feedback.

5. Duration and Venue

- Date: Tuesday, 18 August 2026
- Duration: One Days
- Batch Size: 40 Participants (Certificate Course on Sub Fire Officer, Batch 1),
- Venue: GIDM, Village Raysan, Gandhinagar