

Tentative Schedule of Virtual Training Programme

On

Nature-based Solutions for Cyclones in Gujarat

Date: 30th October 2023

Time: 14:30hrs – 16:30hrs

1. PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Session	Topic	Speakers	Time
-	Opening Remarks and Introduction	GIDM	10 -15 minutes
1.	An Overview of Cyclones in Gujarat	Mr. Ankur Srivastava, ROPM - SDMC	30 minutes
2.	Mangrove Ecosystems for Cyclone Protection	Mr. Ritesh Pokar, Ecologist – Sahjeevan Trust Bhuj	30 minutes
3.	Urban Planning and Green Infrastructure for Cyclone Resilience	Ms. Kavina Mehta, Assistant Manager, GIDB	30 minutes
-	Q&A and Closing Remarks	GIDM	10 – 15 minutes

2. SESSION PLAN

Sr. No.	Session	Details
1.	Session-01 (14:45hrs – 15:15hrs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic science behind cyclones, basic understanding behind its formation. • Discuss the historical frequency, timing, and patterns of cyclones in Gujarat. • Highlight the different cyclone seasons and their characteristics. • Discuss the measures taken by the government, local authorities, and disaster management agencies to prepare for and respond to cyclones.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore how cyclones affect coastal communities in terms of infrastructure damage, displacement, and loss of livelihoods.
2.	<p>Session-02 (15:15hrs – 15:45hrs)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This topic can focus on the importance of mangrove ecosystems in mitigating cyclone-related risks. Teach about the ecological functions of mangroves, such as acting as natural barriers against storm surges and coastal erosion. Discuss case studies and successful examples of mangrove restoration projects for cyclone risk reduction. Explore the challenges and best practices in mangrove conservation and sustainable management.
3.	<p>Session-03 (15:45hrs – 16:15hrs)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This topic can delve into the role of urban planning and green infrastructure in reducing cyclone risks in urban coastal areas. Explain the concept of green infrastructure, including the use of parks, green roofs, and permeable surfaces to absorb rainwater and reduce flooding. Discuss how urban design and zoning regulations can incorporate nature-based solutions to enhance cyclone resilience. Explore case studies of cities that have successfully integrated green infrastructure into their cyclone preparedness and recovery plans. These topics provide a deeper understanding of specific nature-based solutions within the broader context of cyclone risk reduction, allowing students to explore practical applications and real-

		world examples.
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