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The banner features the following elements:

- Emblems:** State Emblem of India (left), 75th Anniversary logo (center-left), G20 India 2023 logo (center-right), and National Disaster Management Authority logo (right).
- Text:** "आज़ादी का अमृत महोत्सव" (75th Anniversary), "भारत 2023 INDIA" (G20 India 2023), and "वसुधैव कुटुम्बकम्" (One Earth - One Family - One Future).
- Central Text:** "MOCK EXERCISE (EARTHQUAKE SCENARIO) MEGHALAYA 10 -12 OCT 2023" in a blue box.
- Images:** A photograph of a multi-story building, a diagram of a building's structural response to an earthquake, and a map of Meghalaya.

## **MOCK EXERCISE - MEGHALAYA** **(10 -12 OCT 2023)**

### **Event Conduct**

1. As part of the annual series of validation exercises, the NDMA and the Meghalaya SDMA conducted a state level Mock Exercise (ME) as under:-

- (a) Online Coordination & Orientation Conference – 03 Oct 2023.
- (b) Table Top Exercise (at Shillong) – 10 Oct 2023.
- (c) Mock Exercise (in all districts simultaneously) – 12 Oct 2023.

2. **Participation.** All stake holders, including all 12 districts of the State, the Army, Air Force, NDRF, CAPF, NCS & NIEST, participated in the event. The TTE was chaired by Lt Gen Syed Ata Hasnain PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, VSM\*\*, SM (Retd), Member NDMA.

3. **Scenario.** The exercise depicted a M7.1 earthquake with epicentre in West Jaintia Hills. Landslides, fires and Industrial Accidents were shown as secondary effects.

### **Conduct**

6. The ME was conducted simultaneously in all the districts across the State. Each district activated its Incident Response System, Staging Areas, Relief Camps, Hospitals, Medical Aid Posts and five selected sites for simulation of SAR and relief activities. The activities were monitored by a set of neutral observers.

7. At the culmination, during the debriefing session chaired by the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Meghalaya Shri D.P Wahlang, IAS, some very pertinent lessons emerged.

### **Outcomes**

8. This was the first ME conducted in Meghalaya after 2018. The enthusiasm and the desire to learn/improve was clearly evident amongst all participants. The enhanced synergy and coordination achieved amongst the multifarious organisations involved will certainly augment the State's capability for cohesive disaster response.

