# DISTRICT DISASTER MANANGEMENT PLAN 2019-20





## OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER/DISTRICT MAGISTRATE SENAPATI DISTRICT, MANIPUR

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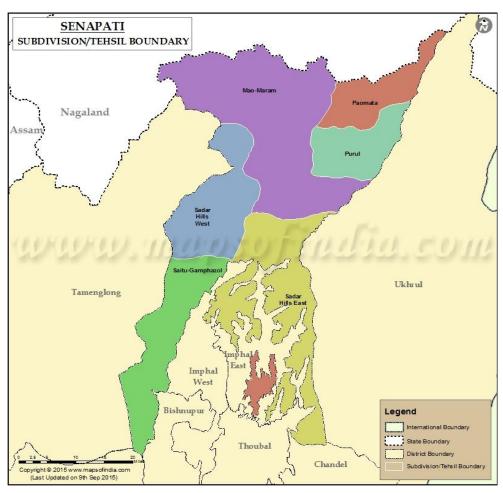
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#### **Chapter 1: Introduction**

#### 1.1. District Profile.



Source: www.mapof india.com

The district is one of the five hill districts of Manipur and is situated in the northern region of the state. The Senapati District is located in the northern part of Manipur. It is bounded on the east by Ukhrul District, on the west by Tamenglong District, on the north by Phek District of Nagaland and on the south by Imphal East District and Imphal West District.

The Senapati District was earlier known as Manipur North District which came into existence wef 14 November 1969 with its headquarters at Karong. Later the district headquarter was shifted to Senapati on 13 December 1976. The District came to be known as Senapati District wef 15 July 1983.

The District is endowed with kaleidoscopic landscape of blue hills, green valleys, serpentine streams and rivers flowing through mountains and deep gorges. Rich varieties of flora and fauna adorn the land. Agriculture is the main occupation of the people and terrace cultivation

is generally practiced by the people. Paddy, Maize, Cabbage, Potato, cereals are the main crops of the District. 80% of the area is covered by forest and remaining 20% is arable land.

#### 1.2. Administrative

The administration of the district is headed by the District Magistrate-cum-Deputy Commissioner (District Collector). He is assisted by an Additional Deputy Commissioner/Additional District Magistrate, other Sub-Divisional Officers, Sub-Deputy Collectors and such other officers of various levels and staff as are appointed from time to time. Maintenance of law and order, revenue administration and other developmental activities of the district are the basic duties of the district administration.

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The district is divided into a number of administrative units known as sub-division. Each subdivision is in charge of a Sub-divisional Officer (SDO) who is also concurrently a Sub-Divisional Magistrate. Senapati district has six sub-divisions and within each sub-division there are smaller administrative circles headed by Sub-Deputy Collectors known as sub-divisional circles. The district has 6 Tribal Development Blocks, which is the same as the Community Development Blocks in the valley areas, the jurisdictions of which are co-terminus with the boundary of each of the subdivisions and is headed by the Sub-divisional Officer/Block Development Officer. Other district heads are Superintendent of Police, District Officer (Horticulture and Soil Conservation), Chief Medical Officer, Deputy Director of Forest, Deputy Director of Agriculture, Deputy Director of Animal Husbandry, Zonal Education Officer, etc.

#### The administrative setup in Senapati District is as below:

Sl.no.	<b>Divisions in Senapati</b>	Name						
1.	<b>Sub-Division</b>	1. Mao-Maram						
		2. Purul						
		3. Paomata						
		4. Sadar Hills West						
		5. Saitu-Gamphazol						
		6. Sadar Hills East						
	TD DI I							
2.	TD Block	1. Mao-Maram,						
		2. Purul,						
		3. Paomata,						
		4. Kangpokpi,						
		5. Saitu-Gamphazol,						
		6. Saikul.						
2	T-4-1 X/211	(97 (2011 (2000))						
3.	Total Villages	687 (2011 Census)						
4.	District Council	Manipur North Autonomous District Council.						
		2. Senapati and Sardar Hills Automonous District						
		Council, Kangpokpi.						

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]			8. Chalwa.
2. Leimakhong.	7.	Police Outposts	1. Motbung,
2. 25			2. Leimakhong,
3. Singda Dam			3. Singda Dam

Source: Census of India, 2011.

#### 1.3. Location & Geography

Senapati district which has an area of 3,271 sq.km. as supplied by the Surveyor General of India lies on the northern most portion of the Manipur state bounded by Nagaland state on the north, on the east by Ukhrul district, on the south by Imphal East and Imphal West districts, on the west by Tamenglong district, on the south west by Churachandpur and Bishnupur districts and on the south east by Senapati and Chandel districts.. The headquarters of the district is at Senapati which is 62 km. from Imphal, the capital of the state, is on the ImphalDimapur Road on the national highway no. 39. In terms of area the district occupies the 5th position among the 9 districts and covers 14.65 per cent of the total geographical area of the state. The district lies approximately between 24037'21" N and 25035'27" N latitudes and 93040'48" E to 94027'18" E longitudes. The district is almost entirely hilly except only a small area at the base of the hills adjacent to the valley districts. In general, the district slopes towards the south and the rivers and the streams flow mainly towards the south.

#### 1.4. Climate

The district enjoys on the whole a very pleasant climate throughout the year. The temperature is neither very hot nor very cold. The district comes under humid sub-tropical and temperate sub alpine climate with temperature ranging from 3°C to 35°C during winter

and summer respectively. The annual rainfall ranges from 1102 mm to 2500 mm and the relative humidity ranges from 82% to 96% with occasional occurrence of frost in winter. The seasons can be conveniently classified into spring, rainy season, autumn and winter. By far March and October are the most pleasant months of the year. April and May are hot seasons. Temperatures rise from March onwards and day temperatures are highest in April and May. From the month of October the temperature begins to go down and by the beginning of November winter season starts and continues up to the end of February. December and January are the coldest months of the year. Frost and fog could be seen till late in the morning hours during the winter months. The rainfall and sunshine are abundant and the district enjoys adequate rainfall which supports different varieties of vegetation's throughout the year. The average annual rainfall at Kangpokpi is 230.15 cm. Rainy season starts as early as March and continues up to October. June and July are months of heavy rainfall. The rainfall during the summer months is under the influence of the south-west monsoon originating from the Indian Ocean while during the winter months some rains could be noticed from the northeast monsoon coming from the Himalayas. Pre monsoon showers also occur from the western disturbances. Most of the rains fall during the period from April to October but the monsoon season from June to September accounts for more than half of the total annual rainfall. During the recent years some variations in the climatic pattern could be seen in the district like shortening of the winter season and lengthening of the summer season.

#### **1.5.** Roads

Roads are the lifeline of the people of the district of Senapati as there are practically no other means of transport and communication. 17 National Highway 39 passes through the district from the south end to the north end. I-T road, Maram- Paren road, Tadubi-Tolloi-Ukhrul road, Maram-Ngari- Kachai road, Karong-Purul-Liyai road, Senapati- Khongdei-Phaibung road are other important roads in the district.

The inter-district road density in 2002 for Senapati was 23.73 km per 100 square km, which is much lower than the state average of 51.2 km per 100 square km. Altogether 47 percent villages in the district are connected by all-weather roads. Pathetic road condition in the hill districts of the state has always been detrimental for their development. In most of the villages inter village road are not surfaced. Same is the condition of other district roads. National Highway 106.00 State Highway 107.00 Major District Road 20.00 Other District Road 54.00 Inter Village Road 522.00 District total 809.00 kms as per 2002 report.

#### 1.6. Rivers & lakes

The Barak and its tributaries like the Dzuko, the Radaki and the Irang is the most important river in the district and drains the northern and north western portions of the district. Originating from LiyaiKhullen, a village on the north eastern part of the Paomata sub-division the Barak follows a south western direction uptoKangpokpi wherefrom it turns north uptoLairouching and then follows a western course meeting on its way a number of

Nagaland on the north meets the Barak at the junction of Tamenglong and Senapati districts and flows towards the south through Tamenglong district uptoLeimatak in Churachandpur district where it meets with the Tuivai river and then follows a north direction where it joins with the Jiri river before finally entering into Sylhet district of Bangladesh as the Surma river.

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#### **1.7.** Hills

As per the Regional Divisions of India - a Cartographic Analysis Series, Manipur published by the Registrar General, India in 1980 the district is divided into three hilly regions, viz., i) Northern Hilly Region, ii) Eastern Hilly Region and iii) Western Hilly Region.

The Northern Hilly Region spreads over the district on the northern side and covers about half of the Mao-Maram sub-division. Its geology is related to Barail Series and Simsang formation and Jaintia Series and Disang Series with faults and thrusts. Soils are Udalfs-Ochrepts in general. The Eastern Hilly Region extends over the south eastern part of the district occupying whole of the Sadar Hills East sub-division and some parts of Mao-Maram sub-division and a small portion of Sadar hills West sub-division. The soil is of Udalfs-Ochrept and Orthents-Udalfs and is formed over Barail Series and Disang Series with transported alluvium. The Western Hilly Region extends over the south western part of the district occupying more than half of the Sadar Hills and SaituGamphazol sub-divisions and some portions of Mao-Maram subdivision. The soil is of Udalfs-Ochrept, Udalfs- Orthents and Orthents-Udalfs and the region is spread over Barail Series and Disang Series. Mount Tenipu which is 2,995 metres above the mean sea level is the highest peak in Manipur and is located in the Northern Hilly Region on the northern side near Mao, a town bordering the state of Nagaland. During the winter months frozen snow could be seen at the peak at the morning hours. The other important peaks of the district are Laikot (2,832 meters), Shoyangjang (2,249 meters) and Laishan (2,261 meters)

#### 1.8. Agriculture

Agriculture is the most important source of livelihood for the people of the district. More than 70 per cent of the total population of the district is directly or indirectly depended on agricultural activities. Both terrace and shifting cultivation is practiced in the district. Rice, Maize, Cabbage, Potato, cereals are the main crops of the district. The village people are mostly engaged in Jhumming activity near the National Highway (No. 39). In some cases the shifting cultivation is practiced in small pockets keeping the adjoining area for regeneration. Thus, after 2-3 years they cultivate a fresh piece of land which was kept under forest for about 8-10 years which gives better yield. Rice accounts for more than 90 percent of the total land area under cultivation. Although the average land holding is one of the lowest in India, yield per acre is comparatively high. With the increasing use of fertiliser and the modern methods of cultivation there is a great scope for increasing the overall production.

Major Land Use / Land Cover Categories (1989-90)

Sl. No	Category	Area (Ha)	% to the total District Area
1.	Settlement	6569.1	2.01
2.	Agricultural Land	9675.02	2.96
3.	Forest Cover	288330.98	88.15
4.	Land with /without scrub	148347.82	45.35
5.	Water Bodies		
	(a) Group - A	0	0
	(b) Group - Be20''>(b) Group - B	0	0

6. Others 4077.08 1.25	
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#### **Source: Manipur Remote Sensing Application Centre**

#### 1.8.1. Horticulture

In Senapati district, the horticultural potential area (ha) is 45567.

Sl.no	Major Horticulture Crop	Type
1	Fruits	Pineapple, Passion fruit.
2	Vegetable	Cabbage, Pea, French Bean.
3	Root & tuber	Tapioca.
4	Spices	Chillies, Ginger.

Source:hortimanipur.nic.in

#### 1.9. Flora and Fauna

The State of Manipur is rich in her plant resources distributed among various agroclimatic zones. Invariably, the rich flora meets the day to day needs of the people living therein. In the Senapati district lots of species of plants are found. Most of them are very useful to the people and use as MEDICINAL plants. Some of the resource plants found in this district are given below: Abrusprecatorius Linn (Chaning), Acacia pruinescensKurz (Tebam), Adiantumaethiopicum Linn (MayurPambi), Adiantumcapillus-veneris Linn (Hansraj), Artemisia maritima Linn (Leibakngou-manba).

#### 1.10. Demographic Profile

According to the 2011 census Senapati district has a population of 479148, roughly equal to the nation of Belize. This gives it a ranking of 565th in India (out of a total of 640). The district has a population density of 109 inhabitants per square kilometre (280/sq mi). Its population growth rate over the decade 2001-2011 was 25.16%. Senapati has a sex ratio of 939 females for every 1000 males, and a literacy rate of 75%.

Mao Naga, Maram, Thangal, Poumai, Thangal, Zemai, Liangmai, Rongmei(Kabui), Tangkhul, Meetei, Thadou, Nepalese, Vaiphei, Chothe, Chiru, Maring are the major inhabitants of this district.

Sl.no.	Description	Rural	Urban
1	Population (%)	98.44%	1.56%
2	Total Population	471672	7476
3	Male Population	243603	3720
4	Female Population	228069	3756
5	Sex Ratio	936	1010
6	Child Sex Ratio (0-6)	891	969
7	Child Population (0-6)	62319	1016
8	Male Child (0-6)	32947	516
9	Female Child (0-6)	29372	500
10	Child Percentage (0-6)	13.21%	13.59%
11	Male Child Percentage (0-6)	13.52%	13.87%
12	Female Child Percentage (0-6)	12.88%	13.31%
13	Literates	258978	5499
14	Male Literates	145129	2883
15	Female Literates	113849	2616
16	Average Literacy	63.27%	85.12%

17	Male Literacy	68.89%	89.98%
18	Female Literacy	57.30%	80.34%

Source: Census of India, 2011

#### 1.11. Topography

Physio-graphically, Senapati District as a whole has hilly terrain with total geographical area of 3271 sq. km. and altitude of the district ranges from 800 to 2800 m from the mean sea level. The District is endowed with kaleidoscopic landscape of blue hills, green valleys, serpentine streams and rivers flowing through mountains and deep gorges. Rich varieties of flora and fauna adorn the land. Agriculture is the main occupation of the people and terrace cultivation is generally practiced by the people. Paddy, Maize, Cabbage, Potato, cereals are the main crops of the District. 80% of the area is covered by forest and remaining 20% is arable land. The agro ecological situation of the district can be categorized into three situations as given below:

Situation	Description	Percentage
AES-I	Temperate/high hill/steep	55.8
	and mild/red sandy	
AES-II	Sub-tropical/foot	6
	hill/riverine, undulated clay	
	and sandy loam	
AES-III	Sub-tropical/medium hill	38.2
	red sandy	

Source: ATMA Senapati.

#### 1.12. Major social and cultural events:

#### Thounii:

The new year cultural festival of PoumaiNagas is celebrated on 5 January to mark cultural resurgence, social interaction, family reunion.

#### Laonii:

The sacred festival of PoumaiNagas is celebrated on completion of paddy transplantation which usually falls in the last forthnight of July. A festival of male sanctification, this is an occasion to interact and renew ties with brothers and sisters.

#### Chiithuni:

The six day annual festival of Mao Nagas celebrated from 25th day of Chuthunikhro (Dec-Jan), meaning 'feast of dawn', is an occasion to rejuvenate the cultural heritage of the Mao

Nagas.

#### Saleni:

It is a customary festival of Mao Nagas, celebrated in the month of Salekhro (July) on completion of paddy transplantation. The whole men folk have to purify themselves by taking bath early in the morning in the pond.

#### Ponghi:

The seven day customary festival of MaramNagas is celebrated on 20th day of Ponghi-kii (July) on completion of paddy transplantation.

#### Kanghi:

The seven day customary festival of MaramNagas held in the month of Kanghi-kii (December). Wrestling is played during the festival in the Khullakpa's compound in stark naked to get shy away the devils so as to obviate misfortune and injury.

#### **Christmas** -

The tribes of Churachandpur who have converted into Christianity celebrate Christmas with great joy and grandeur. The tribes who celebrate this festival are mainly the Kuki, Naga and Hmar tribes. Offering prayers, reading of gospels, eating, dance, feasting, singing of hymns, lectures on Christ, sports etc. mark the festival. It is celebrated on 24th and 25<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **Kutfestival:**

This is a Post-Harvest festival celebrated in the month of November by the Kuki tribe. It is a state holiday on this festival. The festival is marked by various cultural events such as traditional dances, folk dances, songs, sports and the most popular Miss Kut contest. It is a festival of peace and thanksgiving to the Almighty for the harvests.

#### **Gan-Ngaifestival:**

This is celebrated by the KabuiNagas for five days in December-January. It is a colorful blend of rituals, feasts and dances. In addition to the tribal festivals, the other communities celebrate their festivals like Holi, Diwali, Sankranti, Dussera, Navratri, Shivratri etc.

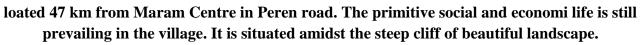
#### **1.13. Tourism**

Senapati : A new township and District Headquarters, Senapati is 62 km from Imphal. More

than 30 government offices are located in the district headquarters. People of various ethnic communities are enjoying harmonious life in the town.

MaramKhullen: One of the biggest villages in the district, MaramKhullen is a very old and primitive village. It is an attractive destination for the anthropologist, research scholar and the like.

Yangkhullen: Yangkhullen is the largest Zemei village



Mao :The last town of Manipur bordering Nagaland state, 107 km from Imphal and 28 km to Kohima, Mao is a very busy town. It is the granary of the surrounding villages and the gateway of the state.

Liyai: The village, 33 km from Tadubi towards the east is the home of various historical places like the stone monolith, the water pools, the Banyan tree, the male house and female house.

The river Barak originates from the village.

Makhel :Makhel is a sacred place for many ethnic communities where they settled and migrated long back. There are historical monuments like i) The sacred Banyan trees which are believed to have grown from the tomb of the Naga mother. ii) The farewell monolith. iii) The triomonolith (3 km south to Makhel). iv)The dispersal treeat Sajouba (2 km north to Makhel). v) The hailstorm stone. vi)Village settlement stone. vii) The lucky stone etc.

Dzuko Valley: A most enchanting place, the valley can be reached by trekking from the border town of Mao. One can observe snowfall in winter and budding flowers of Dzuko lily in spring season.



Purul: 19 km from Maram in NH 39,

Purul is the home of indigenous games Toutou and wrestling. Toutou is played during New Year festival and wrestling is traditionally played on the eve of paddy transplantation festival which is known as Paoki falling in the first fortnight of May.

Koubru Mountain: This
Mountain is one of the
highest peaks in Manipur.
People climb the mountain
in summer season only.
They climb mountain in the
group. People say that in
mythological day Pandavas
were visited here. There is a
long cave where people pass
through.



KoubruLaikha: KoubruLaikha is one of the famous Shiv Temples in Manipur. There will be a herd of people during the time of Shivratri and Kanwad. People say that putted milk on the Koubru Mountain comes here. This temple is situated on the bank of ImphalRiver.National Highway 2 Passes through here.

SaduChiru Water Fall: A popular tourist and picnic spot in Sadu(near IchumKeirap

village)27 km (17 mi) from Imphal, in Sadar hill area, Senapati district. Hundreds of tourist flocks to this place enjoy the view of this waterfall and the natural beauty surrounding it. Consisting of three falls with the first about thirty meters high. On the side newly park or garden- 'Agape park' is situated. It is owned and managed by KamlunTelien of IchumKeirap.



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WillongKhullen(Megalith): WillongKhullen is a village located some 37 km (23 mi) from NationalHighway 2 (India) (Maram) on the Maram-PerenRoad. It is home to a stone erection very similar toStonehenge. Some of the tallest stones are seven meters tall and one meter thick. The village of Yangkhullen is built on a steep slope on the hills.

1.14. Economic Activity

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#### Chapter-2: Multi Hazard Disaster Management Plan

Disaster refers to a serious disruption of the functioning of a society, causing widespread human, material, or environmental loss, which exceeds the ability of the affected society to cope using its own resources. To put it in other words, it is the occurrence of a sudden mishap/calamity/grave occurrence that disrupts the basic fabric and normal functioning of a society (or community).

#### **Types of Disasters:**

Natural Disaster	Man- Made Disaster
Earthquake	Road Accident
Flood	Ethnic Clash
Landslide	Bandh/Blockade
Cyclone	Chemical
Drought	Biological
Heat Wave	Radiological
Hailstorm/Thunderstorm	Nuclear
Pest Attack	
Forest Fire	

#### **2.1 WHY IS IT?**

The purpose of preparing District Disaster Management Plan (DDMP) is –

- a) To ascertain the status of existing resources and facilities available with the various agencies involved in the management of disaster in the District.
- b) Assess their adequacies and short falls if any in providing a multi-disaster response.
- c) Suggest institutional strengthening, technology support, up gradation of information system and data management for improving the quality of administrative responses to disaster at the district level and finally,
  - d) To evolve DDMP as an effective managerial tool.

#### 2.2 Aim:

"Fail proof communication with accurate database and proper documentation and plan activation in the shortest possible time with active participation of the administration, communities and volunteers at all levels, making optimal utilization of human and material resources to prevent/minimize loss to lives and property and to ensure fastest restoration of the situation."

#### 2.3 Objectives:

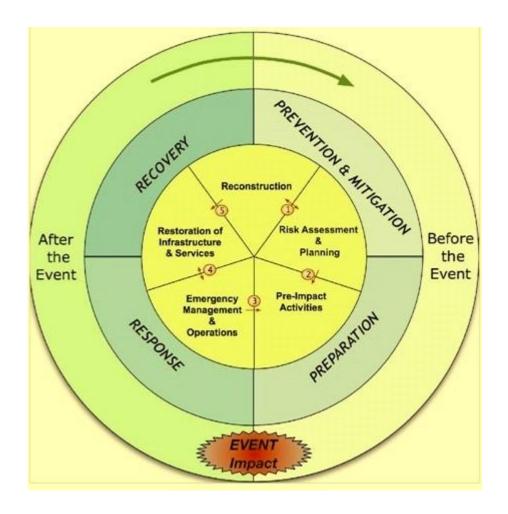
#### The objectives behind the preparation of the District Disaster Management Plan are:

- To mitigate impact of natural and man-made Disasters through preparedness at District, Block, Gram Autonomous District Council and Village level.
- To provide effective support and resources to all the concerned individuals, groups and departments in Disaster.
- To assist the line departments, block administration, communities in developing compatible skills for Disaster preparedness and management.
- To disseminate factual information in a timely, accurate and tactful manner while maintaining necessary confidentiality.
- To develop immediate and long-term support plans for vulnerable people in/during Disasters.
- To create awareness among the people about hazard occurrence and increase their participation in preparedness, prevention, development, relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction process
- To have response system in place to face any eventuality
- To affect or elicit the least possible disruption to the normal life process when dealing with individuals in Disaster
- To ensure active participation by the government administration, communities, NGOs, CBOs and volunteers at all levels making optimal utilization of human and material resources at the time of Disaster.
- To have effective disaster preparedness and effective emergency response plan.
- To provide relief and humanitarian assistance.
- To enable faster recovery through comprehensive reconstruction and rehabilitation.
- To take up measures for effective prevention, mitigation and response for disasters.
- To assist the line departments, block administrator, communities in developing compatible skills for disaster preparedness and management.
- To create awareness among the people about hazard occurrence and increasing their participation in preparedness, prevention, development, relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction process.

#### 2.4. Types of Disasters: Experienced in the District.

Natural	Man-made Disasters
* Earthquake	* Fire
* Landslide	* Communal riot
* Flood	* Road accident
* Cyclone	* Insurgency
* Drought	* Chemical hazards

#### 2.5. Disaster Management Cycle



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#### Chapter- 3: Hazard, Vulnerability, Capacity and Risk

District is prone to severe Earthquake and other Natural Hazards like Floods, Cyclones, Landslide, Drought, Fire and Manmade Disaster like Road Accident, Ethnic Violence and Insurgency etc.

#### 3.1. Vulnerability to Earthquake

Senapati is one of the Districts of Manipur and is located in one of the most hazardous regions of the world i.e., Zone-V. Historically, the district experienced the effects of some of the major earthquakes occurred at some of the adjoining areas of the state. Presently, records of the frequent smaller shocks are being monitored by instruments installed at some centres,

outside and within the state. The Recent earthquake that hit the state on 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 has caused extensive damages to life and properties in the district. Hazards of earthquake cannot be taken easily.

#### 3.2. Vulnerability to Floods

Major flood is not frequent in the district. However, flash floods are frequent during the rainy season. Major floods may strike the state for every 6-10 years according to the recorded figures found during the last 50 years and the district will not be spared. The average annual rainfall of Manipur state is 1500mm, so the hazard of flood cannot be taken easily. Preparedness, precaution and prevention plans may be taken up quite in advance flood areas.

#### 3.3. Vulnerability to Landslide

National Highway-39 is the only lifeline of the state of Manipur. The sector between Karong and Mao is highly landslide prone and frequently blocked the NH-39. The area is represented by Disang and Barail Groups of rock. Landslide susceptibility zonation map reveals that 57% of the facets belong to low susceptible zone. It is followed by moderate susceptible zone (33%), high susceptible zone (9%) and very low susceptible zone (1%). All the facets of high susceptible zone are concentrated along the road section of NH-39, especially Maram-Mao sector.

#### 3.4. Thunderstorm & Hailstorm

Cases of thunderstorm with heavy hailstorms associated with high velocity winds are occasionally found in some parts of the district causing widespread damage of crops and other properties. Last year, crops worth lacs of rupees were damaged due to heavy hailstorms in some parts of the district. Frequent lightning and thunder not only causes the damage of property but also stems the life of some individuals.

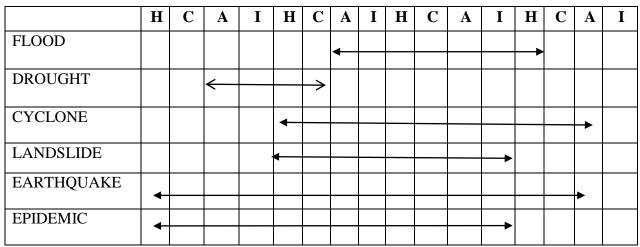
#### 3.5. History of Disaster

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Type of	Year of	In Unit/Percentage					
Hazards	Occurrence	Area	Population	Impact on	Livelihood	livestock	
		Affected	Affected	Life			
Earthquake							
Floods							
Landslides							
Lightning/							
Thunderstorm							
Drought							
Forest Fire							
<b>Epidemics</b>							
Others(Please							
Specify)							

• District authority has to fill the matrix.

## 3.6. Seasonal Hazard Analysis (Based on the template below please fill the analysis for Senapati)

Type of Haz	ards	JAN-MAR	APR-JUNE	JULY-SEPT	OCT-DEC



H - Human, C - Crop, A - Animal, I - Infrastructure

## 3.7. Disaster Probability (Please modify for any changes if required and identify the vulnerable areas/ village/blocks)

Sl.No	Type of Disasters	Time of Occurrence	Potential Impact /Probable Damages	Vulnerable Areas
1	Flood	April- August	Crop, Human, Animal, Infrastructure loss	
2	Cyclone	April-September	Crop, Human, Animal, Infrastructure loss	
3	Landslide	May-August	Crop, Human, Animal, Infrastructure loss	
4	Fire	February-May	Human, Animal, Infrastructure loss	
5	Earthquake	Any time	Crop, Human, Animal, Infrastructure loss	
6	Epidemics	Anytime	Human & Animal loss	
7	Lightening	April -October	Human, Animal, Infrastructure loss	
8	Other (Please Specify)			

#### 3.8. Risk assessment (Identify the vulnerable areas/blocks)

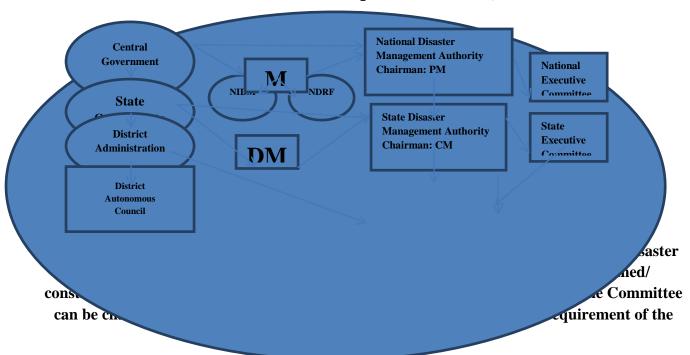
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	Infrastructure,	Communication network. Road	
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		Irrigation System, Drinking Water	
C		Systems, Electrical Installations etc.	
Y	Crop	Agriculture/Horticulture crops	-
C	House	Private dwelling Houses both kutchha	1
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N N	Public property	Community Halls, Market sheds etc.	
E	Livestock	Cows, buffalos, Goats, Sheep, poultry	
	Social and	Livelihood	
	economic		
	Health & Education	PHC,PHSC and Schools	
	Vulnerable People	Handicapped, Pregnant Women, Old	
		aged, Children under the age of 5,	
		Sick & ailing etc.	
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		Sick & ailing etc.	
	Infrastructure	Communication network. Road	
		network , Telephone connections,	
		Irrigation System, Drinking Water	
EARTHQUA		Systems, Electrical Installations etc.	
KE	Public	Police Station, Multipurpose Halls,	
	Infrastructure	Government Buildings, Government	
		Qtrs. Etc.	
	Community	Market Shed, Community Hall,	
	Assets		
	<b>Dwelling Houses</b>	Private Dwelling Houses	
	Vulnerable	Handicapped, Pregnant Women, Old	
	Persons	aged, Children under the age of 5,	
		Sick & ailing etc.	
	Health	PHC, PHSC, CHC	
VILLAGE	Loss of property	Loss of property & Life.	
FIRE			
DROUGHT	Loss of crop,	Crop Loss, Drinking water scarcity	
	livelihood		

#### 3.9. Capability Analysis

- 1. Warning system:- signal of earthquake and cyclones must be detected timely seismological observatories must be installed at convenient and safe place.
  - 2. Transport: It is required to evacuate affected/injured persons.
- 3. Machines: Cranes, excavators, tractors etc. are required for recovery of injured/ trapped persons and address and contract numbers of owners of the machines must be kept ready.
  - 4. Polices and paramilitary forces: they are required for recovery of injured persons. They must be trained and briefed properly.
- 5. Hospital: The required doctors, nurses and ambulance must be kept ready for first aids and treatment of injured persons'
  - 6. Curriculum in text books: A curriculum of disaster management must be included in the syllabus of text books to make the students aware of disaster management.
- 7. Role of media: -The district has police communication networks and AIR service must be utilized to forecast warning and other necessary instructions frequently to make the public aware of the calamity and pre-caution. However, announcement through AIR as news items only must be avoided and warning must be broadcasted frequently.
  - 8. NGOs: They must be involved for distribution of relief materials. Nehru Yuva Kendra (NYK) may be tied up to organize training of youths.

#### 4.1. Institutional Setup under DM Act, 2005



Sl.No	Member of General Body	Designation	Phone No.
1	Deputy Commissioner, Senapati	Chairperson	
2	The Superintendent of Police, Senapati	Member Secretary	
3	The Chief Medical Officer, Senapati	Member	
4	The Jt. Director (Vety), Senapati	Member	
5	The E.E. (PHED), Senapati	Member	
6	The E.E. (Irrigation and Flood	Member	

	Control), Senapati	
7	The E.E. (PWD), Senapati	Member
8	The E.E. (Electricity), Senapati	Member
9	The District Agriculture Officer,	Member
	Senapati	
10	The District Officer (Horti. & SC.),	Member
	Senapati	
11	The District Fishery Officer, Senapati	Member
12	2(two) NGOs of the District (to be	Member
	identified by the Committee)	

Further, Block Disaster Management Authority, Gram Autonomous District Council DM Authority, the Village DM Authority, Autonomous District Council/Small Town Committee DMA, Ward/Village DMA Vide Government of Manipur, Secreteriat: Relief and Disaster Management Department orders No. 12/2/99-RLF/II dated 29th Nov.2006.

4.3. D.M. organizational structure at the district level

#### **DISTRICT/SENAPATI DISTRICT**

Activation of DEOC, DADC and QRT



#### SUB-DIVISION/BLOCK LEVEL

**Activation of Control Rooms, information flow to the affected communities** 

## AUTONOMOUS DISTRICT COUNCIL / MUNICIPALITY / VILLAGE / WARD LEVEL

Activation of identified task force for rescue, relief, first aid etc. as per the plan, continuous information flow to sub-division level.

4.4. District Disaster Management Committee (Natural Calamity Committee)

The District Disaster Management and Natural Calamity Committee is the apex planning body at the district level and will play a major role in preparedness and mitigation.

A District Disaster Management/Natural Calamity Committee has to be formed in the district to assist the Collector in

- Reviewing the threat of disasters
- Vulnerability of the district to different disasters
- Evacuation process to reduce risk and emergency response
- Considering suggestions for improvement of the response document i.e. District Disaster Management Plan

#### Responsibility of the Committee

- To educate the public on different flood and cyclone hazards and what Protective steps should be taken
- To make arrangements for emergency action
- To effect evacuation from the Coastal Villages when necessary
- Rescue and Rehabilitation
- Post Flood and Cyclone action and review

The District Disaster Management Committee will meet at least once in six months i.e. in the month of May and November before the Disaster season (Cyclone) of Manipur coast under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner to update the plan. For this one month's prior notice should be given to all concerned departments before convening the meeting. Collector should review the work of DDMA/NCC regularly.

The Deputy Commissioner should include in the agenda of the District Coordination Meeting, the subject of up-dating of the district disaster management plan by incorporating the changes in names of officers, of telephone numbers and addresses of the officers concerned. The Deputy Commissioner should also take review of changes in other indicators pertaining to the district like creation of additional infrastructure, development shelf of projects, changes in inventories, etc. and incorporate these changes while updating the Plan. The members should substantiate/assist the Committee with all the updated information about their concerned areas of operation from time to time.

#### 4.5. ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

### Roles & Responsibilities of the Deputy Commissioner Roles:

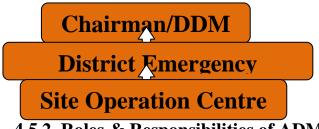
- The Deputy Commissioner wills co-ordinate all disaster management efforts of the district as the Chairman of Disaster Management Authority/Committee.
- The Deputy Commissioner will coordinate the district level response with the concerned line departments assisting him and a core group of officers constituting the District Disaster Management Committee. The Disaster Management/Natural Calamity Committee will consist of the Superintendent of Police, Chief Medical Officer, Executive Engineer PWD, Executive Engineer IFCD, District Supply Officer, ADC/SDO at District HQ.
- The Deputy Commissioner may co-opt any other officers or specialists to assist him/her in carrying out the activities of the Disaster Management/Natural Calamity Committee.

#### **Responsibilities of Deputy Commissioner**

- Preparation of the District Disaster Management Plan with the assistance of ADM/SDO.
- Setting up the District Control Room at District Police Head Quarters Encouraging the formation of Mutual Aid and Response Groups (MARGs) consisting of Sub-divisional Officer other local Authorities, Civil Defence volunteers, Home Guards, NGOs.
- Under the District Disaster Management Committee at the district level and other agencies would be responsible for directing field agencies right from the stage of warning to relief and rehabilitation.
- At the disaster site, specific tasks will be given to the designated officers to manage the disaster.
- The Site Operations Centre (SOC), which will be supervised by the concerned Sub-Deputy Collector to assist the DC.
- A Site Operation Manager (SDC/BDO) who would be deployed by the Collector will be the head of Site Operation Centre.
- The Site Manager will coordinate the activities at various campsites and affected areas.
- The Site Operations Centre will report to the District Control Room directly and from there the information will pass to the Collector.

• The Deputy Commissioner will coordinate all the field responses. Field Responses include setting up Transit Camps, Relief Camps and Cattle Camps and will respond to the State Relief Commissioner and SDMA accordingly.

#### **4.5.1.** Reporting Chart:



- 4.5.2. Roles & Responsibilities of ADM
- Liaison with all the line depts. /officials of the dist. in conducting Disaster Management / Natural Calamity Committee meeting to be conducted twice in a year, tentatively in May and November.
- Supervise the activity of Dist. Control Room and communicate the information to the Deputy Commissioner,
- Co-ordinate the programme during preparedness, disaster and natural calamity, rescue operation, relief operation, resettlement and rehabilitation,
- Monitor the programme during relief operation, rescue operation etc.
- Evaluation of the operation process,
- Report return and forward to dist. Collector for approval, sanction and onward action.

#### 4.5.3. Roles & Responsibilities of Emergency Officer (EO):

The Emergency officer/DSP (HQ) will be the in charge of the Dist. Control Room. His roles and responsibilities will be to monitor, Co-ordinate and implement the actions for disaster management. He should look after the safety and well keeping of the infrastructure available at Dist. Control Room. He should look at the facilities provided in D.C.R., which should always be in good working condition, and the Control Room should be manned round the clock with its contact numbers widely alerted/made known to everybody.

#### The responsibilities of the Emergency Officer are to:

- Ensure that all warning and communication systems, instruments are in working condition.
- Receive information on disaster on a routine basis from the district departments on the vulnerability of the various GPs and villages through proper channel (Tehsil and Block).
- He will receive reports on preparedness from the relevant district lever departments and other departments, as per information details. These will be forwarded to the Emergency Operations Centre, Special Relief Commissioner and SDMA through Collector on fixed regular basis.
- Update data bank and maintain an inventory of resources half yearly as per the table given below heading Inventory of resources, materials and equipment accessible to DCR.
- Inform Dist. Collector, Special Relief Commissioner, Manipur and SDMA of any changes including updating of data bank and Annexure/Formats.
- Monitor preparedness measures, training activities including simulation exercise undertaken by various departments.
- Ensure proper dissemination of Dist. Disaster Management Plan at the district level, local level and disaster prone areas.
- Organise post-disaster evaluation and update Dist. Disaster Management Plan accordingly.

- Prepare reports and documents on district level disaster events and submit the same to Dist. Collector, Special Relief Commissioner, Manipur and SDMA. The document should include:
  - Source and cause of the disaster
  - Description of the response efforts
  - Recommendations for preventive and mitigation measures
  - Plans for upgrading emergency preparedness and response plans.

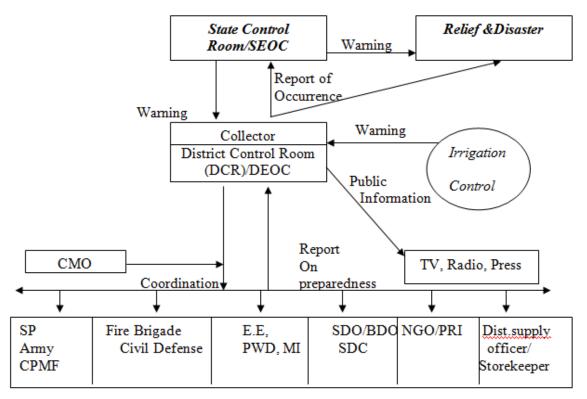
#### 4.5.4. Roles and Responsibilities of Police/Armed Force:

- The Superintendent of Police in the district will get in touch with the Deputy Commissioner for assistance in rescue, evacuation and emergency relief measures under intimation to the State Relief Commissioner. As disaster and natural calamities can occur at any point of time hence Army may be called up on to assist the civil authorities in rendering rescue and relief operation.
- The Superintendent of Police must work in close co-ordination with the Deputy Commissioner on receipt of a warning or alert on an emergency situation.
- The Superintendent of Police must designate three senior officers of the Deputy Commissioner for co-coordinating the activities of the police Department in the District Control Room/District Emergency Operation Centre.
- The senior officers deputed by the Superintendent of police for the District Control Room will work in three shifts in the control Room.
- During normal times, the police department under the Superintendent of Police must assess the preparedness level and report the same as per format to the District Control Room every six months.
- They should have continued contact with the District Control Room over VHF other available mode of communication such as cell phones during the crisis.
- The Police Department under the Superintendent of Police must maintain a list of disaster prone areas in the district, along with the details of nearest police Stations and their contact phone numbers. In this regard, assistance from Revenue, line departments and village level officers may be sought for.
- The police Department under the Superintendent of police must organize training programmes on handling of hazardous chemicals for Police Officers in collaboration with Deputy Director of industrial Safety and health to facilitate more effective handling of road accidents involving hazardous substances.
- The Police Department under the Superintendent of Police must identify a police Station in the city, which can be used as a public information centre for disseminating information to the public.
  - Scope of Work Police/ Armed Force
    - 1. To regulate vehicular traffics
    - 2. Road cut off, repairing and Building of approach road.
    - 3. Rescue operation / evacuation
    - 4. Escort/convoy the relief material
    - 5. Referring the dropping zone (Breach sites, Cut off and marooned areas) do the air dropping
    - 6. Relief and Rehabilitation operation

## 4.5.5. Roles and Responsibilities of Home Guards/NSS/NCC & Voluntary Organisations:

- They will circulate weather warnings among the people after getting such messages from the SEOC.
- Inform local medical staff about outbreak of epidemic.
- Assist the Officials of different Departments for clearance of fallen trees and debris etc. from the roads.
- Inform the concerned department for damage of electric installations.
- Help Veterinary staff for disposal of carcasses.
- Act as guide to the rescue party/Army rescue party if deployed for rescue and relief operations.
- Assist the Relief Officers in distribution of relief materials.
- Regularly listen to weather bulletin from All India Radio and disseminate the same to the local people.
- Assist the Sub-zone Officer in evacuating the people from low-lying areas.

## 4.6. District Control Room and Linkages with Other Control Room at State and District Levels



## 4.6.1. DISTRICT CONTROL ROOM / DISTRICT EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTRE (DCR/DEOC):

The District Control Room aims for an effective and holistic District Disaster Management Plan with fail proof communication, accurate databases in order to make optimal utilization of Men, Material and Resources to prevent the loss to lives as well as minimize the loss of property ensuring fastest restoration of the situations.

#### 4.6.2. PURPOSE OF DISTRICT CONTROL ROOM

The District Control Room is under control of the Deputy Commissioner, which will be operational round the clock and is the nerve centre for the following activities.

- To monitor Co-ordinate and Implement the actions/activities for effective disaster responses as well as management of available resources.
- In a disaster time the District Control Room will operate under the central authority of the Deputy Commissioner, exercising emergency power to issue directives to all departments to provide emergency response service.
- DCR will co-ordinate with the State disaster response machinery like State Relief & Disaster Management Commissioner, of Manipur State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA) for appropriate support and smooth flow of information.
- The Control Room will be manned round the clock for emergency responses.
- The District Control Room will be placed in the Emergency Section of the District Collector. The Control Room shall be in overall charge of the Collector. In the absence of Collector, ADM (Emergency), PD, DRDA, District Development Officer, Emergency Officer or any other Officer on duty at that point of time shall remain in charge of Control Room. The person in charge of the Control Room shall be personally responsible for implementation of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP). She or he shall be responsible to take all decisions as outlined below and signed on behalf of the Collector on all reports mentioned below.

#### **4.6.3. Preparatory Actions for DCR:**

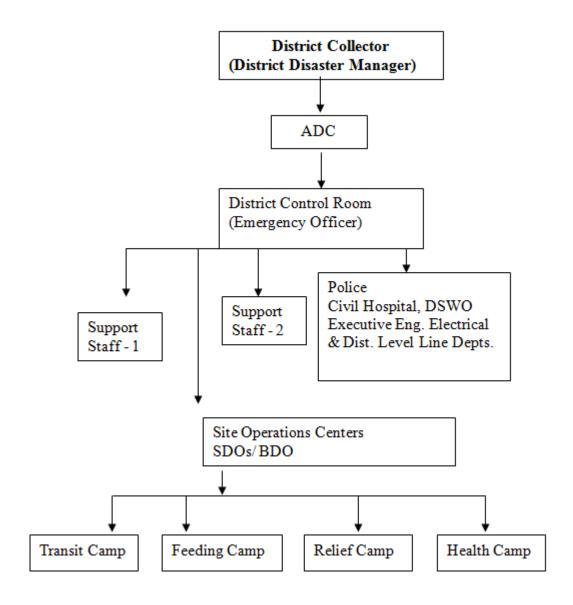
Following preparatory steps will be taken up for keeping the Control Room functional during emergency:

- Shift one more phone line to Control Room.
- Keep the Radio with new batteries ready, Generators sets to be kept ready as standby.
- Kerosene as well as petrol to be stocked for running the generators.
- Charge the VHF sets and testing to be done.
- Keep two four wheelers ready for emergency operations.
- Alert all field officers like SDOs, SDCs, BDOs ,MOs/ Telephone Operators/Agriculture/ICDS/Irrigation/PHD/PWD/Autonomous District Council/ MLAs /MPs/Station Director, AIR/DIPR who will inform the Media.

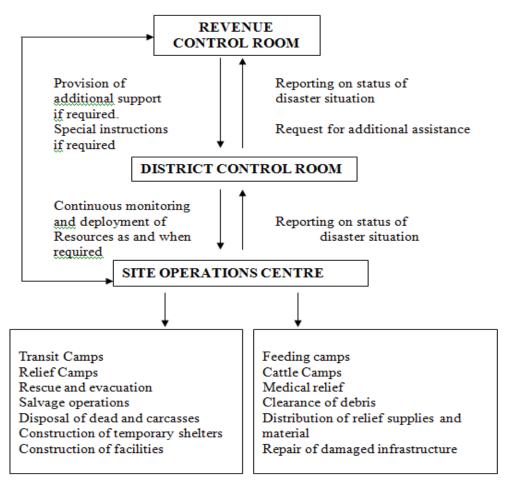
#### 4.6.4. Staffing for District Control Room:

The Control Room will act as the nerve centre office for the district to tackle the emergency situations and the staffs will coordinate with the line departments for timely response in Disaster Preparedness and Management at the District level. For Normal time and Emergency situations an Emergency Officer and two Support staff will be placed in the District Control Room. Apart from these permanent staff other staff will be support at the time of need on a temporary basis.

#### 4.7. Co-ordination Structure at District Level:



#### 4.8. Activity Wise Flow of Informaion:



**Scope of work for the District Control Room** 

#### A. Normal Time Activity

#### The normal time activities of the DCR under the guidance of the Deputy Commissioner are to:

- Ensure that all warning and communication systems, instructions are in working condition.
- Receive information on a routine and regular basis from the departments on the vulnerability of the various Gram Autonomous District Councils and Villages to disaster. Woman, Children (Age group 0-15), Old Aged, Physically and Mentally challenged people are the most vulnerable groups in a disaster. Hence, specific and special arrangement for these people would be made.
- Receive reports on preparedness from the relevant district level departments and other departments. Based on these reports, the DCR will forward the Preparedness Measures details on behalf of the Collector to the Revenue Control Room, Relief & Disaster Management Commissioner, Revenue Commissioner and SDMA.
- Upgrade and update District level disaster mitigation action plan according to changing scenarios in the district
- Data bank updating and maintain an inventory of resources.
- Update all information in the GIS/MIS.
- Inform Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) under Relief Commissioner of any changes including updating of data bank and annexure if any.

- Monitor preparedness measures including simulation exercises undertaken by various departments
- Ensure proper dissemination of DDMP at the district level, local level and disaster prone areas.
- Identify appropriate NGOs/Civil society Organization, with their capacities who can be mobilised during the time of disaster and can be helpful in community level disaster preparedness.
- Organise post-disaster evaluation and update DDMP accordingly
- Prepare reports and documents on district level disaster events and submit the same to EOC.

#### **B.** During Emergency

- Weather tracking and early warning dissemination
- To collect and transmit information regarding matter relating to natural calamity.
  - Mapping of vulnerable areas
  - Database on civil society organizations and their activities
    - Database on volunteers
- Facilitate regular meetings of civil society organizations and issue updates
- Flow of information to central control room in Relief Commissioner's office and SDMA.
  - District level extensive training of officials and NGOs in emergency response
  - Men and material management in emergencies with proper inventorisation

Flood and whether warning system notices received from central flood forecasting control room stations, or any such weather warning notices received from Govt./ Board of Rev /IMD will immediately be transmitted to the control room of the Sub-Deputy collectors by the control room stationed at district headquarters for keeping the people of the areas alert.

The Sub-Deputy Collectors will transmit the weather warning and other warning to the Village level officers and other officers who will take steps to alert the people of their respective areas. Dist. Information Officer of this district will also alert people of their respective jurisdiction through PA system, if situation so warrants.

WARNING DISSEMINATION PHASE:							
<b>COLLECTOR:</b>							
To collect	Activity	Person	Resources	Time frame and			
information on:		Responsible	required- to be sourced from	remarks.			
	Regular	DCR,	Communication	48 hours prior to			
	monitoring of	DIO	equipment to be	any warning.			
Weather warning	the activities of		procured much				
	The District		before disaster				
	Control Room.		season.				

Rain forecast	rain recording	Ą	OOs/Dist. gri fficer/IFCD		per functioning ain gauge.	Within	24 hours.
	Monitoring of weather sites by staff	Responsible for District		Internet connectivity at District Control Room		On daily from the occurre event.	e
Water level in the Dam & Release of water from Dam.		,		Close communication with the EE, Irrigation		On daily basis from the occurrence of event.	
Warning to district authorities in the downstream side of Dams	officials positioned at the downstream through DIO	Vo Ra		VS. Cel wit	F, Internet, AT Phone, I phones Jeeps h Loud eakers	12 hour release of from the	of water
CDMO:	& IFCD Officials.						
Keep close contact with the Collector and the Emergency Officer.	_	nic	other	al	Telephone, Fax Computer, Inte	•	Immedia tely.
Ensure Information reached to the health workers at field level.	Keep a databas of all the contact Telephone numbers/other means of communication	et	Doctors an paramedic staff of the district.	al	Vehicles of hea department an can also be out from private. Operators.	d a few	Immedia tely upon receipt of message.
Collect information on health status on a daily basis.	Activate and constantly monitor the disease surveillance		Members of the disease Surveilland Team,		Telephone, Fax Computer, Into ,Cells	•	Daily.

	system.		
Feed back to the Collector.	Give a daily feedback on the action taken and anticipated Problems.	Doctors, MOs, Media	Daily.

		S.P.:		
To collect information on:	Activity	Person Responsible	Resources required- to be sourced from	Time frame and remarks.
Alert the Police force to be vigilant and take hold of the Law and order situations.	Messages to all P.S through VHF and Telephones	OICs, VHF Control, Telephone Operators	Proper functioning of the equipment.	Immediately upon receipt of warning
To arrest and take into custody the Rumours mongrels	-	Staff of the police department		Immediately upon receipt of warning
Deployment of force in the calamity Area	Delegate forces to the areas likely to Face any disaster.	Staff of the p	oolice department	-do-
Alert fire brigade for action.	Contact the Fire officer.	Staff of adjoint Stations.	-do-	
Calm down general public through Welfare Service & Counselling.	Give proper warning with careful use of Word to prevent chaos among public.	people about Disseminatin	-do-	
Emergency Officers	•	sort.		
Publicity of warning received.	Through public address system. News bulletins through DIO.	RTO, DIO, Station Direc AIR	Jeeps with tor loudspeaker	s

Inform Relief	<b>Prior collection of</b>	Staff of	Computer,	Normal
<b>Commissioner and</b>	telephone& contact	emergency cell.	Stationery etc.	times
other district	numbers of all			and
authorities	persons with			update
	disaster			d at
	MgMasterTraineer			regular
	Experience			interval
				S
Alert all other	Inform them about			
depts. like PHD,	the gravity of the	Officials of all depts.		
PWD etc.,	situation			

## 4.9. CONTROL ROOM AT SUB-DIVISION, TEHSIL AND BLOCK/TRIBAL BLOCK LEVEL

Similar to the District Control room, at lower level control room are also formed at Sub-division, Tehsil and Block levels which will be supervised by the Zone Officer during emergency periods. The procedures lay down for these control rooms are as follows:

- I. Control Rooms are to be managed by a clerk/Revenue Supervisor Kanungo/Extension officer and a peon.
- II. Immediately after getting warning about flood/cyclone, one Gazette Officer along with the above staff should be deployed in the control room.
- III. The Head of office will ensure proper working of the control room telephones.
- IV. A register will be maintained in the control room to record the messages and warning received over telephones and action taken thereon.
- V. The Sub-ordinate Control Rooms will keep constant touch with the District Control Room during and after occurrence of any calamity.
- VI. In case any message of devastating nature is received, this should immediately be passed on to Collector/Addl. Dist. Magistrate/concerned Sub-Collector and necessary action to be taken according to their instructions.

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# **Chapter- 5** Prevention & Mitigation Measures

Over the years and especially after experiencing severe disasters in the recent past, today there is a paradigm shift in the approach to disaster management; from a culture of relief and rehabilitation to that of preparedness and mitigation. Disaster management in the contemporary times focuses a lot on preparedness and mitigating measures the idea being to reduce or lessen the vulnerabilities and therefore the impact of any calamity. The more the disaster preparedness, the lesser the vulnerabilities. In the district there shall be two types of approaches in Disaster mitigation viz. structural mitigation and non-structural mitigation.

### **5.1.** Structural Mitigation Measures

It is immensely important for the planning community to respond towards disaster management positively. The Plan should clearly come out with provisions prescribed in the amended legislations related to disaster management. Urban disaster management is intimately connected to the wholesome process of urban development and therefore needs a sincere incorporation in the development planning itself.

The industrial relocation/location, unauthorized-regularization issue, slumming, over densification and continuous influx of population are some of the open concerns and these besides being a planning challenge are a concern for disaster management.

The district shall take steps for structural mitigation for disaster management. The departments that are associated with development of residential and commercial plots shall stick to the NOC norms. The Building Codes shall be strictly enforced in the district. Only seismically oriented engineers, contractors and masons shall be given certificates for multi storied constructions. Simultaneously retrofitting will also be promoted with expert advice.

The two possible structural measures for disaster protection are
• Retrofitting of the existing buildings and
• Construction with Earthquake Resistant technology.

### **Retrofitting**

For an existing building, retrofitting or seismic strengthening is the only solution to ma ke it disaster resistant. In the district, all lifeline buildings such as major hospitals, Schools, Co lleges, District Administration offices and other vital installations shall be retrofitted. For retrofitting, a panel of experts shall be approached for assessing the structure and to suggest the ty pe of retrofitting required.

### **Earthquake Resistant Construction**

Promotion of Earthquake resistant construction mainly includes construction safety, quality control and proper inspection. Previously there were no specific guidelines on

earthquake resistant constructions and seismic strengthening. Due to this very fact, most of the buildings till 1990s were built without any safety measures. But in the present scenario, there are building byelaws and guidelines to construct earthquake resistant structures. Civil bodies like Autonomous District Council and PWD in the district shall try to enforce these laws

### In addition to these the following points have been found in the context:

- Pockets with high rise buildings or ill-designed high-risk areas exist without specific consideration of earthquake resistance.
- Similarly, unplanned settlements with sub-standard structures are also prone to heavy damage even in moderate shaking.
- So far as housing is concerned, vulnerability analysis has never been carried out and preliminary estimate of damages is not available for strengthening of structures under normal development improvement schemes.

All construction except load bearing buildings up to 3 storeys shall be carried out under the supervision of the Construction engineer on Record or Construction Management Agency on Record for various seismic zones. They shall be given a certificate based on the norms on completion of the construction.

Illegal construction, encroachments, unapproved additions, alternations etc. of residential buildings and conversion of residential building to commercial purpose etc. shall be checked by the District Administration with strict measures. These unauthorized activities may lead to disasters in that particular area.

### **5.2.** Non-Structural Mitigation Measures

The entire Meerut falls in earthquake Zone-IV, which indicates it is at high risk to earthquake. In addition to this fire is also a major concern for the district. The non-structural mitigation is basically framed in such a way that the whole population of the district will be sensitized on disaster management and their capacity shall be developed to cope up with hazardous situations.

### **Preparedness Methodology**

In the disaster management cycle, preparedness shall be the first step, instead of waiting for a disaster to occur and then manage it. This plan contains a series of measures for preparedness in schools, colleges, hospitals and communities. People of every part of the district will be guided to prepare themselves or to prepare their own coping mechanism. In this regard, the DDMA shall suggest the proper methodology for preparedness on regular basis and the district shall plan various activities.

### Awareness generation program

Disaster strikes everywhere and everyone irrespective of caste, creed or gender. It doesn't differentiate the rich from the poor. The district administration has been trying to generate awareness at all levels in the district. A series of awareness programmes has been organized to reach out to the local residents and general public of the district and the programmes are continuing throughout the district. Awareness /sensitization programmes have been conducted at schools, colleges, communities etc. Basic information related to different kind of disasters is given in the form of Information, Education and

Communication (IEC) materials. Different kinds of strategies are being evolved to address different audiences.

Special efforts are being made to address the most vulnerable groups during disasters e.g. women, children, the disabled and the old. The district administration intends to reach as many people as possible and different methods are being adopted to spread awareness i.e.

- Public meetings
- Distribution of reading materials/ pasting of posters
- Street plays
- Involvement of Electronic media
- Audio/video shows
- Banners and Public Hoardings
- Painting/ quiz competition especially in schools, rallies involving students
- Observing Disaster Management Week, Fortnight, Month etc. etc.

### **Training and Capacity Building**

A number of training program shall be and are already being organized for specialized groups like, district DMTs, sub division and community level office bearers, school teachers and principals, architects, engineers, doctors, masons, etc.

The professionals from all departments and sections shall be trained.

All the volunteer based organizations (VBOs) like Civil Defence, NYKS, NSS, NCC etc. in the district, which have thousands of volunteers working with them will also be sensitized and given training on disaster management. Besides, RWAs and NGOs in the district will also be given training on disaster management. All the VBOs, RWAs and NGOs shall also be encouraged and supported to organize awareness campaigns in their areas. These haven been identified as organizations which can help percolate the idea deeper into the society.

### 5.3. Sector wise Vulnerability Reduction Measures in Senapati District:

Type of Sector	Sub sector	Mitigation measures	Responsible Dept.	Time Frame
	IEC activities	Distribution of leaflets, manuals, meetings, trainings	DIO PWD, RD, Block, District	
	Road	Construction and repairing	PWD, RD, Block, District	Dl
	Embankment	Construction and repairing	IFCD, PWD, RD, Block, District	Regular Interval
	Bridges	Construction and repairing	IFCD, PWD, RD, Block, District	
Infrastructure	Safe Shelters	Construction	Block, RD, District	
Development	Communication	Installation of VHF, WLL	Police, BSNL,NIC	ъ.
	Drinking water and sanitation	Installation and repairing of tube wells and pipelines, supply of bleaching powder	PHED, Health	During Normal Time
	Power	Installation of electric lines and back up	Electricity, PWD	
	Technology dissemination	Demonstration of EQ resistant houses	PWD, Block, RD, District	
	IEC activities	Distribution of leaflets, manuals, meetings, trainings	Health, AH, RD, Block, DIO, District	During Normal Period
Health/ Animal Husbandry	Vaccination	Vaccines to Children, Pregnant women, other needy persons, cattle	Health, AH	During Normal Period
	Training	First aid	Health	During Normal Period
	Awareness	Distribution of leaflets, manuals, meetings, trainings	RD, Block, DIO, District	During Normal Period
Livelihood Sector	Agriculture	Promotion of water resistant variety paddy, multi cropping in hilly areas, cropping of small duration paddy and vegetables	Agriculture, RD, Block, District	During Normal Period

	Fishery	Rising of pond embankments, Pisciculture	Block, District	During Normal Period
	Allied activities			
	Horticulture	Promotion of high yield variety of oranges, betel leaves, pine apples	Horticulture, Block, District	During Normal Period
	IEC activities	Distribution of leaflets, manuals, meetings, trainings	RD, Block, DIO, District	During Normal Period
Insurance	Infrastructure	Encourage people	RD, Block, DIO, District	During Normal Period
insui ance	Livelihood	Encourage people	RD, Block, DIO, District	During Normal Period
	Life	Encourage people	RD, Block, DIO, District	During Normal Period

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# **Chapter- 6** Preparedness Measures

6.1. Identification of Stakeholder involve in Disaster Management

### 6.1.1. Early warning

The early warning systems for different disasters should be in place so that the concerned administrative machinery and the communities can initiate appropriate actions to minimize loss of life and property. These should give an indication of the level of magnitude of the mobilization required by the responders. The goal of any warning system is to maximize the number of people who take appropriate and timely action for the safety of life and property. All warning systems start with the detection of the event and with their timely evacuation. Warning systems should encompass three equally important elements viz. detection and warning, dissemination of warning down to the community level and the subsequent quick response. The State acknowledges the crucial importance of quick dissemination of early warning of impending disasters and every possible measure will be taken to utilize the lead-time provided for preparedness measures. As soon as the warning of an impending calamity is received, the EOCs at the State, District and Block levels will be on a state of alert. The Incident Commander will take charge of the EOC and oversee the dissemination of warning to the community. The District Collector will inform the District Disaster Management Committees who will alert the lock and Village level DADCs and DMTs to disseminate the warning to the community. On the basis of assessment of the severity of the disaster, the State Relief Commissioner (Incident Commander) shall issue appropriate instructions on actions to be taken including evacuation to the District Collector, who will then supervise evacuation. In situations of emergency, the District Collector will use his own discretion on the preparedness measures for facing the impending disaster. At the village level, members of the VDADCs and DMTs or village level will coordinate the evacuation procedures to the pre-designated relief centres, taking special care of the vulnerable groups of women, children, old people etc. according to the plans laid down earlier.

The list of agencies competent for issuing warning or alert is given below:

Sl.No.	Type of Disaster	Agencies
1	Earthquakes	IMD, MERI,
2	Floods	Meteorology Department, Irrigation Department
3	Cyclones	IMD
4	<b>Epidemics</b>	Health/PHED
5	Road Accidents	Police
6	Fire	Fire & Emergency Services, Police
	Any other information	
	may please be added.	

### 6.1.2. Search & Rescue

It is the duty of the DDMA to provide specialized lifesaving assistance to district and local authorities. In the event of a major disaster or emergency its operational activities include locating, extricating and providing on site medical treatment to victims trapped in collapsed structures. In the event of any disaster the Home Guards along with the support of the Police dept. form teams to locate injured and dead and try to rescue the ones in need. There are other bodies too that help these departments in this work, like the PWD, Health dept, Fire dept and also the people that voluntarily form teams to help the ones in need. Proper training for search and rescue process needs to be undertaken so as to minimize the time taken in rescuing someone. Also proper methodology and resources are needed to carry

out a search & rescue mission. The tactics used in the search & rescue process vary accordingly with the type of disaster that we are dealing with. In case of flood, a boat and trained swimmers are a must while in case of an earthquake sniffer dogs and cutting tools with trained manpower is a binding requirement. The household register that is maintained by the warden should be maintained for every village as it proves to be of great help in case of a disaster like an earthquake. Because in case of the aforementioned disaster people get trapped in the debris of buildings and houses and it becomes difficult to estimate how many people are present in the debris. But if a household register is maintained then the task becomes quite easy and effective to find out almost correctly that how many people would be present in any building/house at any given time. Thus the resources can be justifiably distributed and more lives can be saved. This kind of process is highly recommended in this particular district which lies in high earthquake prone region.

For flood it is recommended that the boats that are used should be light weight and the motor should be of 'luma' type, so that it becomes easy for the rescue team to lift the boat and carry it to the spot

Search & Rescue Team: (District Authority has to fill it)

(Please Note that the Search & Rescue team is formed as and when required and the members & equipment are taken according to the nature of the disaster and also on their availability)

Sl.No.	Designation of Trained Search & Rescue Team	Quantity

### 6.1.3. Evacuation:

Evacuation is a risk management strategy, which may be used as a means of mitigating the effects of an emergency or disaster on a community. It involves the movement of people to a safer location. However, to be effective, it must be correctly planned and executed. The process of evacuation is usually considered to include the return of the affected community. Shelter provides for the temporary respite to evacuees. It may be limited in facilities, but must provide protection from the elements as well as accommodate the basic personal needs, which arise at an individual level in an emergency. The plan must allocate responsibility for management of each of the elements of shelter. Considering the wide range of services, agencies and issues to be managed, it becomes essential for 'shelter' to be managed within a structure, which facilitates the coordination of agencies and services and support of emergency workers. The following factors may need consideration:

- i. Identification of appropriate shelter areas based on safety, availability of facilities, capacity and number of victims.
- ii. Approaches to the shelter location in light of disruption due to hazard impact and traffic blockades.
- iii. Temporary accommodation

- iv. Provision of essential facilities like drinking water, food, clothing, communication, medical, electrical and feeding arrangements, etc.
- v. Security
- vi. Financial and immediate assistance
- vii. First-aid and counselling

### Types of evacuation

For the purpose of planning, all evacuations may be considered to be one of two generic types:

- (a) Immediate evacuation, which allows little or no warning and limited preparation time as in the case of earthquakes and air accident.
- (b) Pre-warned evacuation resulting from an event that provides adequate warning and does not unduly limit preparation time as in the case of flood and cyclones.

### **Principles of Evacuation Planning**

- a. Establishment of a management structure for organization, implementation, coordination and monitoring of the plan.
- b. Determination of legal or other authority to evacuate.
- c. Clear definition of rules and responsibilities.
- d. Development of appropriate and flexible plans.
- e. Effective warning and information system.
- f. Promoting awareness and encouraging self-evacuation.
- g. Assurance of movement capability.
- h. Building confidence measures and seeking cooperation of the affected community.
- i. Availability of space for establishment of relief camps having requisite capacity and facilities.
- j. Priority in evacuation to be accorded to special need groups like women, old and sick, handicapped and children.
- k. For effective evacuation, organization and running of relief centres, cooperation and involvement of all agencies viz. Community, volunteers, NGOs, NCC / NSS, Home guards and civil defence, district and village bodies be ensured.
- 1. Security arrangement and protection of lives and property.
- m. Preparation and updating of resource inventories.
- n. Appropriate welfare measures throughout all stages
- o. Test exercise of prepared plans and recording of lessons learnt
- p. Documentation.

### **Stages of Evacuation**

### There are five stages of evacuation as under:

- i. Decision of authorities to evacuate victims
- ii. Issue of warning and awareness
- iii. Ensuring smooth movement of victims to designated relief camps
- iv. Ensuring provision of all requisite facilities like security, safe-housing, feeding, drinking-water, sanitation, medical and allied facilities
- v. Safe return of personnel on return of normalcy.

### **Decision to Evacuate**

Vulnerability analysis may indicate that for certain hazards and under certain conditions, sheltering in place could well be the best protection. Available lead-time may influence the decision to evacuate the public before the impact of emergency (e.g. floods) and reducing the risk to lives and property. Decision would also be dependent on factors like ready

availability of suitable accommodation, climatic condition, and severity of likely hazard and time of the day.

The Collector would be the authoritative body to issue directions for evacuation. The OIC of DEOC would convey directions to Desk Officers of concerned agencies, which are responsible to execute evacuation.

**Basic consideration for Evacuation** 

The DCMG will define area to be evacuated as also the probable duration of evacuation on the basis of meteorological observations and intimations by the concerned forecasting agencies. It should also identify number of people for evacuation, destination of evacuees, lead-time available, welfare requirements of evacuees as also identify resources to meet the needs of victims, viz. manpower, transport, supplies equipments, communications and security of the evacuated area.

The evacuating agency should set priorities for evacuation in terms of areas likely to be affected and methodology to execute evacuation:

- Delivery of warning
- Transport arrangement
- Control and timing of movement
- Fulfil welfare needs including medical treatment
- Registration of evacuees

All agencies involved in evacuation operation like Home guards, Police, PWD, PHED, etc. will coordinate in field. They will remain in touch with the Desk officials in the DEOC for issuing warning, information and advise the public.

### **Evacuation Warning**

An evacuation warning must be structured to provide timely and effective information. Factors, which may influence the quality and effectiveness of warning, include time, distance, visual evidence, threat characteristic and sense of urgency e.g. the more immediate the threat, the greater the resilience of people to accept and appropriately react to the warning. The warning should be clear and target specific. The warning statement issued to the community should be conveyed in a simple language. The statement should mention:

- The issuing authority, date and time of issue
- An accurate description of likely hazard and what is expected
- Possible impact on population, area to be in undated or affected due to earthquake
- Need to activate evacuation plan
- Do's and Don'ts to ensure appropriate response
- Advise to the people about further warnings to be issued, if any

### 6.1.4. Damage & Loss Assessment

Immediately after the disaster there is an urgent need of damage assessment in terms of loss of life, injury and loss of property. The objectives of damage assessment are to mobilize resources for better rescue and relief, to have detailed information of damage extent and severity of disaster and to develop strategies for reconstruction and restoration facilities.

Damage is assessed with regard to building stock, standing crops, agricultural area, livestock lost, forest cover decimated, vital installations etc. In damage assessment of building

stock, generally three types of flags are used; green, yellow and red. The green colour is given to the buildings that are safe and require 2-3 days to return to their original function. Yellow flags depict the considerable damage to the buildings and considered to be unsafe for living, as they require proper structural repairs and careful investigation. The red flag is assigned to buildings that are partially or completely collapsed. Immediately after a disaster event, damage assessment will be conducted in 2 phase's viz. Rapid Damage Assessment and Detailed Damage Assessment.

### 6.2. Training, Capacity Building & Other Proactive Measures

	Training, Capacity Dunting & Othe	
Task	Activity	Responsibilities
Training	1. Training to civil defence personal in	Home Department, Civil
	various aspect of disaster management	<b>Defence, District Home</b>
	2. Training to home Guards personal in	Guards
	various aspect of disaster management	
	including search and rescue	
	Training to NCC,NSS & NYK personal in	DDMA
	various aspect of disaster management	
	Training to educational and training	DDMA
	institutions personal in various aspect of	
	disaster management	
	Training to civil society, CBOs and	DDMA
	corporate entities in various aspect of	
	disaster management	
	Training to fire and emergency service	DDMA, Fire Department
	personal in various aspect of disaster	
	management	
	Training to police and traffic personal in	DDMA, Home Department
	various aspect of disaster management	
	Training to media in various aspect of	DDMA,IT
	disaster management	
	Training to govt. officials in various	DDMA
	aspect of disaster management	
	Training to engineers, architects,	DDMA
	structural engineers, builders and masons	
	in various aspect of disaster management	
	Awareness	
IEC	Advertisement, hording, booklets, leaflets,	All Line Departments,
	banners, shake-table, demonstration, folk	Education Departments,
	dancing and music, jokes, street play,	DDMA, Other District
	exhibition, TV Spot, radio spot, audio-	Authorities
	visual and documentary, school	
	campaign, - Planning and Design -	
	<b>Execution and Dissemination</b>	
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#### NGO and Other stake Holder coordination

For arrangement of water supply, temporary sanitation facilities, search and Rescue activity, Relief distribution can be sought with help of special agencies, NGOs and CBOs.

Seasonal preparedness

Natural disasters make all of us acutely aware of our vulnerabilities to disaster. Fortunately, catastrophes of a large magnitude are rare, but disaster can strike in many ways. Large or small, natural or man-made, emergencies put collections in danger. Hazards can often be mitigated or avoided altogether by a comprehensive, emergency-preparedness plan. Such plans provide a means for recognizing and responding effectively to emergencies. The goal is to hopefully prevent damage or, at least, to limit the extent of the damage.

### **Identifying Risks**

A prudent first step is to list geographic and climatic hazards and other risks that could jeopardize the building and collections. These might include geographical susceptibility to hurricanes, Hailstorm/thunderstorm, flash flooding, earthquakes, or forest fires, and even the possibility of unusual hazards such as volcanic eruptions. Consider man-made disasters such as power outages, sprinkler discharges, fuel or water supply failures, chemical spills, arson, bomb threats, or other such problems. Take note of the environmental risks that surround you. Chemical industries, shipping routes for hazardous materials, and adjacent construction projects all expose you to damage. Any event that is a real possibility should be covered under your Emergency Preparedness Plan. Although there may be a wide range of disaster scenarios, the most common are water, fire, physical or chemical damage, or some combination of these. The specific procedures of a disaster plan focus on the prevention and mitigation of these types of damage.

### **Decreasing Risks**

Once your hazards are specified, the disaster planner should devise a program with concrete goals, identifiable resources, and a schedule of activities for eliminating as many risks as possible. An inventory will provide a basic list of resources both man and machines, and this database will enable to assess the level of preparedness for specific vulnerabilities.

### **Identifying Resources**

An important step in writing your plan is to identify sources of assistance in a disaster. Research these services thoroughly--it is an essential part of the planning process. These can range from police, fire, and ambulance services to maintenance workers, insurance adjustors, and utility companies. If possible, invite local service providers to visit in order to become familiar with your site plan and collections in advance of an emergency.

### 6.3. India Disaster Resource Network (IDRN)

IDRN, a web based information system, is a platform for managing the inventory of equipments, skilled human resources and critical supplies for emergency response. The primary focus is to enable the decision makers to find answers on availability of equipments and human resources required to combat any emergency situation. This database will also enable them to assess the level of preparedness for specific vulnerabilities. Total 226 technical items listed in the resource inventory. It is a nationwide district level resource database. Each user of all districts of the state has been given unique username and password through which they can perform data entry, dataupdation on IDRN for resources available in their district.

The IDRN network has functionality of generating multiple query options based on the specific equipment, skilled human resources and critical supplies with their location and contact details.

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## **Chapter-7** Response Measures

Response measures are those which are taken histantly prior to, and following, a disaster aimed at limiting injuries, loss of life and damage to property and the environment and rescuing those who are affected or likely to be affected by disaster. Response process begins as soon as it becomes apparent that a disastrous event is imminent and lasts until the disaster is declared to be over. Since response is conducted during periods of high stress in a highly time-constrained environment and with limited information and recourses (in majority of the cases), it is by far, the most complex of four functions of disaster management. Response includes not only those activities that directly address the immediate needs, such as search and rescue, first aid and shelters, but also includes systems developed to coordinate and support such efforts. For effective response, all the stakeholders need to have a clear perception/vision about hazards, its consequences and actions that need to be taken in the event of it. The Revenue Department of the State is the Nodal Department for controlling, monitoring and directing measures for organizing rescue, relief and rehabilitation. All other concerned line departments should extend full cooperation in all matters pertaining to the response management of the disaster whenever it occurs. The District EOC, ERCs and other control rooms at the District level should be activated with full strength.

Disasters cause sudden disruption to the normal life of a society and cause damages to property and lives to such an extent that normal social and economic mechanisms available to the society all get disturbed. People and officials are both caught unaware and in the circumstances lose their sense of initiative and direction. Consequently, relief work is hampered and unnecessarily delayed.

In such cases, the existence of a disaster preparedness plan can be extremely useful. The distraught officials then have at their hand, a complete set of instructions which they can follow and also issue directions to their subordinates and the affected people. This has the effect of not only speeding up the rescue and relief operations, but also boosting the morale of victims.

### The response plan is of two kinds:

1- Short-term Plan and

### 2- Long-term Plan.

### 7.1. Short-term Plan

Short-term plans are action based and aimed at restoring normalcy in the shortest possible time. One of the foremost requirements of any plan would be to define the area where it would be applicable and the agencies that would be responsible for its implementation and coordination. Once the boundaries are defined, the following inputs would be required;

- I. The amount of resource material required to be mobilized as relief may be based on the statistics of the intensity and spread of various disasters in the area in the past disaster records.
- II. Certain areas are prone to disaster and each time relief is provided, a number of short-comings come to light; these become lessons to serve as inputs for future planning of relief and rescue exercises.
- III. Short-term plans should be based on the declared vulnerability of the area to particular types of disasters. Forecasts on future disasters should be usefully interpreted in action plans on exercises which would be most required.
- IV. Short-term plans should incorporate suggestions and capabilities of all departments concerned of the district/state, non-government organizations and community based organizations. Therefore plans may be prepared by setting up committees at appropriate level to incorporate their inputs.

### **After Disaster: Rescue Operations**

After disaster immediately, the District Magistrate would act as the focal point for control and co-ordination of all activities. His/her responsibilities have been identified as follow:

- Get in touch with the local Army/ Navy/ Air Force units for Assistance in rescue, evacuation and relief;
- He/she will have the authority to requisition resources, materials and equipment from all the Departments/Organizations of the government and also from the private sector;
- He/she will have the power to direct the industry to activate their onsite and offsite disaster management plans;
- He/she will set up 'Site Operations Centre' (SOC) in the affected area with desk arrangements;
- He/she will authorize the establishment of transit and/or relief camps, feeding centres and cattle camps;
- He/she will send 'Preliminary Information Report' and 'Action Taken Report' to the State Relief Commissioner and Divisional Commissioner;
- He/she will authorize immediate evacuation, whenever necessary.

Traditionally, the concerned SDM office and local police station, both are the main government agencies below the district level, which initiate trigger mechanism for emergency operations in the event of major accidents / disaster threats. In view of limited availability of resources for disaster management, below the district level, the DDMP has not proposed any administrative structure for co-ordinated operation during emergency. In the event of less serious disaster threat/accident, the SDM office or police station would continue to initiate trigger mechanism and provide an emergency response with the help of locally available resources. The DDMA on receipt of information, from any of the two agencies, would take appropriate decision to augment local resources and give appropriate instructions to the concerned response agencies.

### **Relief Operations**

After the rescue phase is over, the district administration shall provide immediate relief assistance either in cash or in kind to the victims of the disaster. The office of District Magistrate is responsible for providing relief to the victims of either natural or human-made disasters like earthquake, fire, flood, riots, terrorist attack etc. in the district.

#### Rehabilitation

In short term response rehabilitation is the final step. The incident command system shall be deactivated as the rehabilitation phase is over. Thereafter, the normal administration shall take up the remaining reconstruction works in the disaster affected areas. These activities shall be performed by the working group for relief and rehabilitation under the direction of the DDMA.

### 7.2. Long-term Plan

The situation may not always warrant long-term plans, but such plans should have the ability to build a culture of disaster mitigation and be aimed at reducing vulnerability of the area. As such any long-term plan should incorporate policy directives on preparedness as well as post disaster reconstruction and rehabilitation phases (the later as a follow up of the short-term contingency plans).

- I. The foremost requirement for the preparation of a long-term plan is establishing its need in an area. Need may be established on the basis of the vulnerability of the area and the resource trade-off between the cost of its implementation and other competing needs for overall development. In this context the long-term disaster mitigation plan or rehabilitation plan as part of overall development plan becomes significant.
- II. In case of rehabilitation plan, the level of damage that has taken place in the community decides whether long-term intervention is required or not. The strategies of the rehabilitation would depend considerably on the damage assessment report.
- III. A detailed survey of the community, which studies its needs and expectations in detail and seeks out their traditions and customs which they would like to preserve, has to be carried out. This would serve as an input in deciding an intervention strategy that is acceptable to the community.
- IV. The long-term plan should seek an objective of achieving overall development and satisfying basic needs-shelter, economic and social of the community. Reducing disaster vulnerability should be a means to achieve the objective and not an end in itself.
- V. Long-term plans are resource intensive; many of the interventions decided therein should be based on resources available. In many cases, where the need for rehabilitation through relocation is established the same may not be implemented due to non-availability of land.

VI. Long-term plans may be implemented successfully only through partnerships with NGOs and community participation. The involvement of these bodies should be solicited at the outset itself while deciding the interventions required.

### 7.3. Role of District Administration/ District Magistrate

The District Magistrate will be the focal point at the district level for directing, supervising and monitoring relief measures for disasters and for the preparation of district level plans. The District Magistrate will exercise coordinating and supervisory powers over functionaries of all the departments at the district level. During actual operations for disaster mitigation or relief, the powers of all Collectors/ DCs are considerably enhanced, generally, by standing instructions or orders on the subject, or by specific Governments order, if so required. Sometimes, the administrative culture of the concerned state permits, although informally, the Collector/DC to exercise higher powers in emergency situations and the decisions are later ratified by the competent authority. The District Magistrate will maintain close liaison with the state, central government authorities in the district, namely army, air force and ministry of water resources etc, who supplement the effort of the district administration in the rescue and the relief operations. The District Magistrate will also coordinate all voluntary efforts by mobilizing the non-government organizations capable of working in such situations.

### **Duties at the time of disaster**

- Maintenance of law and order; prevention of trespassing, looting, keeping roads clear from sightseeing persons so that free movement of rescue vehicles is assured, etc.
- Evacuation of people
- Recovery of dead bodies and their disposal
- Medical care for the injured
- Supply of food and water and restoration of water supply lines
- Temporary shelters like tents, metal sheds
- Restoring lines of communications and information
- Restoring transport routes
- Quick assessment of damage and demarcation of damaged areas according to grade of damage
- Cordoning off of severely damaged structures that are liable to collapse during aftershocks
- Temporary shoring of certain precariously standing buildings to avoid collapse and damage to other adjoining buildings

### **Duties post-disaster**

- i. Particular attention is paid to women views in the assessment stage.
- ii. Women's actual responsibility in domestic (in terms of household subsistence, health, and child care) and production and economic activity beyond the subsistence level are taken into account in determining the consultation process.
- iii. Women representatives are included at all level of planning, decision-making, implementation, and evaluation.
- iv. The particular constraints faced by households maintained by women are taken explicitly into account in designing and implementing relief programs.
- v. Special attention is provided to unaccompanied women, lone parents and widows.
- vi. Issue of legal, sexual and physical protection are properly identified and addressed.

### 7.4. Action Plan for ESF in the District

Name of the Response Activation Action to be to	taken
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Department		
Police Department	The Nodal Officer from Police will activate the Quick Response Teams. The Quick Response Teams will be deployed at the onsite EOCs As per the information from IMTs, adequate officers will be sent to site.	1. The saving of life in conjunction with other emergency services 2. Co-ordination of the emergency services and other organizations 3. Traffic and crowd control 4. The investigation of the incident in conjunction with other investigating bodies where applicable. 5. The collation and dissemination of causality information 6. Identification of victims 7. The restoration of normalcy at the
District Fire	The Nodal Officer of	earliest opportunity  1. At the site, QRTs should contact
Service, Senapati	District Fire Service, Senapati District will activate the Quick Response Teams The Quick Response Teams will be deployed at the onsite EOCs As per the information from IMTs, adequate officers may be sent to site.	the local volunteers and local people to gather information about vulnerable areas so that search and rescue operation can take place through a proper channel in heavily dense areas, large buildings, community centres, hotels, hospitals, public buildings and any other area having large gathering.  2. Locate the damaged and collapsed structures and rescue the population buried and trapped in rubble.  3. The injured people should be taken out of damaged buildings etc. with utmost care.  4. Special care should be given to women and children groups as they are expected to be more affected and helpless in case of any emergency situation  5. Coordinate with the transportation ESF if a large number of medical professionals need to be sent to the affected sites and/or a large number of victims need to be transported to
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Civil Defence	The Nodal Officer will reach	1. Support and coordinate with the
	the EOC and activate the	Incident Command System for Law

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	Quick Response Teams	& order, Search and rescue and
	The Quick Response Teams	Medial response and Trauma
	will be deployed at the	Counselling
	onsite EOCs	2. Locate the damaged and collapsed
	As per the information from	structures and rescue the affected
	IMTs, adequate officers may	people, Special care to women and
	be sent to site	children groups as they are expected
		to be more affected and helpless in
		case of any emergency situation.
		3. Helping in First aid to the affected
		people along with the Medical team
Autonomous	The Nodal Officer of ADC	1. ADC will bring debris of heavy
<b>District Council</b>	will activate the Quick	RCC structures and put dummies
(ADC)	Response Teams	beneath the debris. This will facilitate
,	The Quick Response Teams	demonstration of search and rescue
	will be deployed at the	operations. Soon after search and
	onsite EOCs	rescue team leave the site, ADC will
	As per the information from	mobilize equipments for debris
	IMTs, adequate officers may	clearance.
	be sent to site.	2. ADC will assume main role in
		equipment support for debris and
		road clearance.
		3. ADC will transport the equipments
		like JCB, concrete cutters required
		as per the need
		4. The Supporting Agencies Nodal
		Officers will call for personnel to
		immediately start debris clearance
		operation to enable movement to the
		affected site.
		5. All supporting agencies will inspect
		the road/rail network and structures
		within the disaster site and
		surrounding.
		6. ADC will also ensure proper
		corpse disposal and post mortem by
		coordinating with ESF on medical
		response
		7. The QRTs will report the situation
		and the progress in response
		activities to the respective EOCs
		8. Undertake construction of
		temporary roads to serve as access to

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		temporary transit and relief camps
		and medical facilities for disaster
		victims
		9. ADC should ensure the provision
		of medicine and other medical
		facilities required at the disaster site
		and the hospital heal centres catering
		to disaster victims
		10. ADC will coordinate, direct and
		integrate state level response to
		provide equipment support, relief
		camps establishment, sanitation and
		health assistances
PWD	The Nodal Officer of PWD	1. PWD will bring debris of heavy
	will activate the Quick	RCC structures and put dummies
	Response Teams	beneath the debris. This will facilitate
	The Quick Response Teams	demonstration of search and rescue
	will be deployed at the	operations. Soon after search and
	onsite EOCs	rescue team leave the site, ADC will
	As per the information from	mobilize equipments for debris
	IMTs, adequate officers may	clearance.
	be sent to site.	2. PWD will assume main role in
		equipment support for debris and
		road clearance.
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		immediately start debris clearance
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		the road/rail network and structures
		within the disaster site and
		surrounding.
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		corpse disposal and post mortem by
		coordinating with ESF on medical
		response.
		7. The QRTs will report the situation
		and the progress in response
		activities to the respective EOCs.

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		8. Undertake construction of
		temporary roads to serve as access to
		temporary transit and relief camps
		and medical facilities for disaster
		victims.
		9. PWD should ensure the provision
		of medicine and other medical
		facilities required at the disaster site
		and the hospital heal centres catering
		to disaster victims.
		10. PWD will coordinate, direct and
		integrate state level response to
		provide equipment support, relief
		camps establishment, and sanitation
		and health assistances.
		11. Undertake repair of all paved and
		unpaved road surfaces including
		edge metaling, patching and nay
		failure of surface and keep
		monitoring the condition.
PHED	The Nodal Officer of PHED	1. Quick assessment of water line
	will activate the Quick	damage and contamination
	Response Teams	2. Supply of water tankers to disaster
	The Quick Response Teams	affected communities
	will be deployed at the	3. Deploy response teams to repair
	onsite EOCs	and restore water supply lines.
	As per the information from	4. Quick assessment of water
	IMTs, adequate officers may	contamination levels and taking steps
	be sent to site.	to restore clean drinking water.
IFCD	The Nodal Officer of	1. QRTs will coordinate with team
	Irrigation and Flood	leader for water supply
	Control Department will	2. QRTs will coordinate for
	activate the Quick Response	providing Temporary Shelters
	Teams	3. QRTs will coordinate in
	The Quick Response Teams	restoration of infrastructure
	will be deployed at the	4. QRTs to report of situation and
	onsite EOCs	progress of action to the EOC
	As per the information from	
	IMTs, adequate officers may	
	be sent to site.	
FCS	The Nodal Officer will	1. Coordinating with ESFs related to
	activate the Quick Response	transportation to ensure quality
	Teams	supply of relief materials.
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	The Quick Response Teams	2. Continuing free kitchens for the
	will be deployed at the	affected people
	onsite EOCs	3. QRTs to report to site relief camps
	As per the information from	4. QRTs to manage the distribution
	IMTs, adequate officers may	of food items to affected victims.
	be sent to site.	5. QRTs to report on progress of
		action taken to EOC
Transport	The Nodal Officer will	1. QRTs will help in Evacuation
	activate the Quick Response	2. QRTs will assist the nodal office in
	Teams	providing Temporary Shelters
	The Quick Response Teams	3. Team leader communicates
	will be deployed at the	situation to support agencies and
	onsite EOCs	requests for detailed information on
	As per the information from	the status of transportation
	IMTs, adequate officers may	infrastructure in the affected area.
	be sent to site.	
Health	Nodal officer will call nodal	1. To make ready all hospitals for
	officers of supporting	managing large number of causalities
	agencies	and severely injured victims.
	In coordination with the	2. Sufficient stock of required
	transportation ESF, it will	medicines, vaccines, plasters, drugs
	ensure adequate number of	etc
	medical professionals and	3. Provide systemic approach to
	assistants to reach the sites	patient care.
	with sufficient medicines	4. Maintain patient tracking system
	and required materials.	to keep record of all patients treated
	Ensure setting up of	5. Deploy mobile hospitals as
	temporary information	required
	centres at hospitals with the	6. QRTs will report the situation and
	help of ESF on help lines	the progress on action taken by the
	and warning dissemination.	team to the respective EOCs
		7. QRTs will ensure timely response
		to the needs of the affected victims
		8. To provide ambulance service
		9. To help in ready all hospitals for
		managing large number of causalities
		and severely injured victims.
		10. To help in arranging sufficient
		stock of required medicines, vaccines,
		plasters, drugs etc.
		11. Deploy mobile hospitals as
		required
		12. QRTs will report the situation

		and the progress on action taken by
		the team to the respective EOCs
		13. QRTs will ensure timely response
		to the needs of the affected victims
		14. Helping in arranging additional
		beds and additional bloods and
		medicines for the casualties.
Telecom service	The Nodal Officer will reach	1. Team Leader will dispatch
providers	at the EOC and activate the	emergency repair teams equipped
	Quick Response Teams	with required tools, tents and food.
	The Quick Response Teams	2. Communicate situation to other
	will be deployed at the site	support agencies i.e. private
	As per the information from	telephone operators
	IMTs, adequate officers may	3. Work out a plan of action for
	be sent to site.	private telecom companies and
	BSNL is primarily	convene a meeting to discuss and
	responsible for restoration	finalize the modalities
	of communication facilities	4. Establish telephone facilities for
	BSNL should ensure the	the public and information on this
	smooth flow of information	should be announced through media.
	that can cater to the	5. Make available various types of
	outreach in a time-sensitive	equipment/material and services if
	manner at state level in	required.
	response efforts.	6. Inform district as well as state
		authorities on action taken.
DIPR	Setting up of a control room	1. Creation of public awareness
	to provide authentic	regarding various types of disasters
	information to public	through media campaigns.
	regarding impending	2. Dissemination of information to
	emergencies.	public and others concerned
	Daily press briefings at fixed	regarding do's and don'ts of various
	times at district level to	disasters
	provide official version.	3. Regular liaisoning with the media.
	Media report & feedback to	
	field officials on a daily basis	
	from L1 onwards.	
	Keep the public informed	
	about the latest emergency	
	situation (area affected, lives	
	lost, etc).	
	Keep the public informed	
	about various post-disaster	
	assistances and recovery	

	programmes.	
RD&PR	Train up the G.P. Members	1. Develop prevention/mitigation
	and Support for timely and	strategies for risk reduction at
	appropriate delivery of	community level.
	warning to the community.	2. Training of elected representatives
	Clearance of blocked drains	on various aspects of disaster
	and roads, including tree	management.
	removal in the villages.	3. Public awareness on various
	Construct alternative	aspects of disaster management.
	temporary roads to restore	4. Organise mock drills.
	communication to the	5. Promote and support community-
	villages.	based disaster management plans.
	PRIs to be a part of the	6. Support strengthening response
	damage survey and relief	mechanisms at the G.P. level (e.g.,
	distribution teams to ensure	better communication, local storage,
	popular participation.	search & rescue equipments, etc.).
	Operationalize emergency	7. Clean drainage channels, trimming
	relief centres and emergency	of branches before cyclone season.
	shelter.	8. Ensure alternative routes/means of
	Sanitation, drinking water	communication for movement of
	and medical aid	relief materials and personnel to
	arrangements.	marooned areas or areas likely to be
	IEC activities for greater	marooned.
	awareness regarding the	9. Assist all the government
	role of trees and forests for	departments to plan and prioritise
	protection during	prevention and preparedness
	emergencies and also to	activities while ensuring active
	minimise environmental	community participation.
	impact which results owing	
	to deforestation like climate	
	change, soil erosion, etc.	
	Increasing involvement of	
	the community, NGOs and	
	CBOs in plantation,	
	protection and other forest	
	protection, rejuvenation and	
	restoration activities.	
	Plan for reducing the	
	incidence, and minimise the	
	impact of forest fire.	
FISHERY	Ensure warning	1. Registration of boats and
	dissemination to fishing	fishermen.
	communities living in	2. Building community awareness on

vulnerable pockets.
Responsible for mobilising boats during emergencies and for payment of wages to boatmen hired during emergencies.
Support in mobilisation and additional deployment of boats during emergencies.
Assess the losses of fisheries and aquaculture assets and the needs of persons and communities affected by emergency.

- weather phenomena and warning system especially on Do's and Don'ts on receipt of weather related warnings.
- 3. Assist in providing lifesaving items like life jackets, hand radios, etc.
- 4. Certifying the usability of all boats and notifying their carrying capacities.
- 5. Capacity building of traditional fishermen and improvisation of traditional boats which can be used during emergencies.
- 6. Train up young fishermen in search & rescue operation and hire their services during emergency.

### 7.5. Action plan for NGOs, NSS & NYK:

Emerging trends in managing natural disasters have highlighted the role of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) as one of the most effective alternative means of achieving an efficient communications link between the disaster management agencies and the effected community. In typical disaster situation, they can be of help in preparedness, relief and rescue, rehabilitation and reconstruction and also in monitoring and feedback.

The role of NGOs is a potential key element in disaster management. The NGOs operating at grassroots level can provide a suitable alternative as they have an edge over governmental agencies for invoking community involvement. This is chiefly because; the NGO sector has strong linkages with the community base and can exhibit great flexibility in procedural matters vis-à-vis the government.

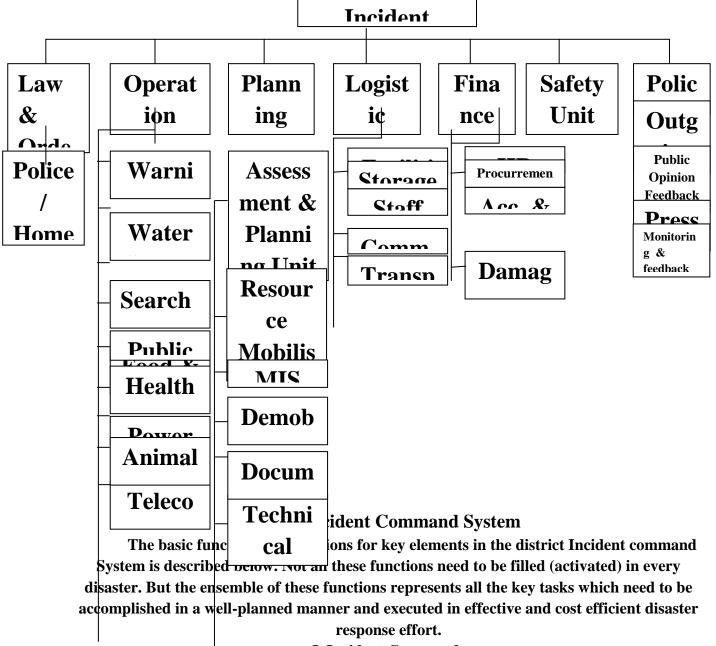
Based on the identified types of NGOs and their capabilities, organised action of NGOs can be very useful in following activities in different stages of disaster management.

# 7.5.1. Organized activities of NGOs/NSS/NYKS at different stages of Disaster Management:

Stage	Activity
Pre-Disaster	Awareness and information campaigns, Training of local volunteers, Advocacy and planning
During Disaster	Immediate rescue and first-aid, including psychological aid, supply of food, water, medicines and other immediate need materials ensuring sanitation and hygiene damage assessment
Post-Disaster	Technical and material aid in reconstruction assistance in seeking financial aid monitoring

### 7.6. Disaster Response and District Incident Command System

The response to disasters in the district will be organized according to the Incident command System as adapted to conditions in Manipur State. The argument for the ICS is that its fundamental elements –unity of command, clarity of objectives and efficient resource use are common to the effective response to any disaster. In Senapati district, the multi-hazard response plan focused on sector specific action plans unlike the department specific planning approach. The disaster response is led by the District Emergency Operation Centre (DEOC) under the command and control of the District Collector/District Magistrate.



**I. Incident Command:** 

Responsible for overall management of an incident based on clearly stated mandate from higher authority and based on focused objectives responding to the immediate impact of the incident.

The Incident command is led by an Incident Commander, who can be assisted by a Dy. Incident Commander. In each incident will have as many as many commanders and other

staff as there are shifts in the incident operation. Shifts will normally not exceed 12 hours at a time and should be standardized to 8 hours each as soon as possible after the start of the incident.

# II. Command Staff Units Safety unit:

Responsible for ensuring the safe accomplishment of all activities undertaken in response to the incident. This task is accomplished through developing incident specific safety guidance documents, reviewing and advising on the safety of plans and monitoring actual operations to ensure safety of personnel and survivors

#### **Protocol and Liaison unit:**

Responsible for all official visits as well as liaison between the incident command and organizations providing personnel or material support being used to manage the incident. The first point of contact for NGOs and others coming to the disaster as well as responsible for managing coordination meetings (some of which may actually be held by taskforces or sections).

#### **Public Information Unit:**

Responsible for all media and public information tasks related to the incident. To accomplish its task, the unit can have the following sub units:

- I. Public inquiries: to handle non media requests for information
- II. Outgoing public information: to handle public information dissemination
- III. Public opinion feedback: to collect information from the public (incident survivors and the non-affected)
- IV. Media centre: to provide a single point of contact for all media involved in the incident.
- V. Press release and media access: produce all releases and provide a single point of contact to arrange media access to the incident.
- VI. Monitoring and Feedback: to monitor media reports and provide feedback to the incident management on coverage of the incident and to also take corrective measures and issue contradictions if required.

#### III. Law and Order Section

Responsible for assuring the execution of all laws and maintenance of order in the area affected by the incident. The law and order section incorporates law and order taskforce which may be created to deal with a disaster.

Police functions: as determined by the normal mandate for and special duties assigned to the police service

Home guard: as determined by the normal mandate for and special duties assigned to the home guard

Volunteers: supporting police and home guards in non-enforcement tasks, such as patrolling, monitoring and evacuations

### **IV. Operation Section**

Responsible for assuring specific operations according to objectives and plans to address the immediate impacts of the incident. Taskforces under the operation section will

deal with specific functional tasks, such as search and rescue, the provision of water or shelter.

The composition and size of these taskforces depends on the nature of the incident.

The District administration of SENAPATI has identified 16 expected task forces for key response operation functions that are described below. Additional taskforces can be added under the operations section as needed by the circumstances of a disaster. Each Taskforce is led by one organization and supported by other organizations.

<b>Emergency Operation</b>	Functions
Task Force	
Coordination &	Coordinate early warning, Response & Recovery Operations
Planning	
Administration &	Support Disaster Operations by efficiently completing the
protocol	paper work and other Administrative tasks needed to ensure
	effective and timely relief assistance
Warning	Collection and dissemination of warnings of potential disasters
Law & Order	Assure the execution of all laws and maintenance of order in
	the area affected by the incident.
Search & Rescue	Provide human and material resources needed to support
	local evacuation, search and rescue efforts.
Public Works	Provide the personnel and resources needed to support local
	efforts to re-establish normally operating infrastructure.
Water	Assure the provision of sufficient potable water for human
	and animal consumption (priority), and water for industrial
	and agricultural uses as appropriate.
Food & Relief Supplies	Assure the provision of basic food and other relief needs in the
	affected communities.
Power	Provide the resources to re-establish normal power supplies
	and systems in affected communities.
Public Health &	Provide personnel and resources to address pressing public
Sanitation	health problems and re-establish normal health care systems.
Animal Health &	Provision of health and other care to animals affected by a
Welfare	disaster.
Shelter	Provide materials and supplies to ensure temporary shelter
	for disaster-affected populations
Logistics	Provide Air, water and Land transport for evacuation and the
	storage and delivery of relief supplies in coordination with
	other task forces and competent authorities.
Damage Assessment	Collect and analyse data on the impact of disaster, develop
Survey	estimates of resource needs and relief plans, and compile
	reports on the disaster as required for District and State
	authorities and other parties as appropriate.
Telecommunications	Coordinate and assure operation of all communication
	systems (e.g.; Radio, TV, Telephones, and Wireless) required

	to support early warning or post disaster operations.
Media & Public	Provide liaison with and assistance to print and electronic
Information	media on early warning and post-disaster reporting
	concerning the disaster.

### V. Planning Section

Responsible for collecting and analysing information and developing plans to address the objectives set to address the incident. The overall work of the planning section will include efforts undertaken by any planning and coordination taskforce which is established as part of the response to a disaster. Units under the section include:

- 1. Assessment and planning
- 2. Resources and Requirements
- 3. Management information system
  - 4. Documentation
  - 5. Demobilization and
  - 6. Technical specialists
  - VI. Logistic section

Responsible for all task and functions related to provision of material and other resources needed for operations and the physical and material support and operation of the incident management team. This section includes transportation taskforce established to support disaster operations. Logistics tasks are through the following units:

- 1. Storage and supply
  - 2. Facilities
  - 3. Staff support
  - 4. Communications
- 5. Transportation (include ground, air water).

### VII. Finance and Administration

Responsible for managing all financial and administrative tasks related to incident field operations. These tasks may, but would not usually include disbursement of financial aid to those affected by an incident. The task of this section are accomplished through following units: 1. Human resources; 2. procurement; and 3. accounting and records

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# **Chapter-8** Recovery & Reconstruction Measures

Recovery is defined as decisions and actions taken after a disaster with a view to restoring or improving life and assets of the stricken community, while encouraging and facilitating necessary adjustments to reduce disaster risk. Recovery and reconstruction (R&R) or comprehensive rehabilitation is the last step in cycle of disaster management. In addition, this is the phase of new cycle, where the opportunity to reconstruction and rehabilitation should be utilised for building a better and more safe and resilient society.

8.1. Strategies for restoring physical infrastructure and lifeline services
Build Back Better: This ensures greater resilience, preparedness; and minimum loss in an
event of future disaster.

Participatory Planning: Infrastructure improvement measures need to be balanced with, or at least be in line with, the social and cultural needs and preferences of beneficiaries

Coordination:

A plan of recovery will help better coordination between various development agencies. Damage Assessment and Needs Assessment shall be the basis of recovery planning. Various Sectors for recovery process may be:

- Essential Services- Power, Water, Communication, Transport, Sanitation, Health
- Infrastructural: Housing, Public Building and Roads
- Livelihood: Employment, Agriculture, Cottage Industry, Shops and Establishments

Basic services such as power, water supply, sanitation, wastewater disposal etc. should be restored in shortest possible time. Alternate arrangement of water supply, temporary sanitation facilities can be sought with help of special agencies. Special arrangements for provision of essential services should be ensured. It can include creating temporary infrastructure for storage and distribution of water supply, running tankers, power supply and sanitation facilities.

**8.2. Sector Wise Damage and Loss assessment format** Following tables are to be filled after an event of disaster:

### 8.2.1. Power

Item/Services	No. of	No. of	Population	Recovery	Implementing	Tentative	Budget

	Unit	affected	affected	Measures	Agency	Duration	
	Damaged	Village					
Feeder							
Transformer							
HT Lines							
LT Lines							
Poles							
Conductors							

<sup>\*</sup>To be planned after initial damage assessment by department.

### 8.2.2. Health

	PHC	CHC	Sub	Drug	Recovery	Implementing	Duration	Budget
			Centre	Store	Measures	Agency		
No. of								
Building								
Damage								
No. of								
Health								
Centre								
inaccessible								
Drugs and								
Medicine for								
Relief								
Camps								
No. of								
Ambulance								
Equipment								
for Storage								

<sup>\*</sup>To be planned after initial damage assessment by department.

## 8.2.3. Social Sector

People in need of immediate rehabilitation including psychosocial support (due to disaster)

	Village	Men	Women	Children	Total	Recovery	Implementing	Duration	Budget
						Measures	Agency		
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### 8.2.4. Water

Type   Villa   No.   Popula	nt   Recov   Implem	en Durat Bud
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	ge	of Unit affect ed	ion affected	ery Measu res	ting Agency	ion	get
Well							
Borewells							
Communit y Pond							
Water							
Supply							
Disrupted							
Pipeline Damage							
Stand Post Damaged							
Contamin ation							
Handpum p							

# 8.2.5. Road & Transport

Road	Location	Severity	KMs	Recovery	Implementing	Duration	Budget
Damage				Measures	Agency		
Inter							
Village							
Road							
State							
Roads							
National							
Highway							

# 8.2.6. Communication

Type	Office /	Village	Recovery	Implementing	Duration	Budget
	Tower	affected	Measures	Agency		
	Damaged					
Landline Connectivity						
Mobile Connectivity						

Wireless			
Tower			
Radio			
Station			

# 8.2.7. Food and Civil Supplies

Type	No. of	Type of	Qnty.	Qnty.	Recovery	Implementing	Duration	Budget
	Godown	Grain	Of	Of	Measures	Agency		
	damage	perished	Grain	grain				
			perished	at Risk				
Civil								
Supply								
Others								

# **8.2.8.** Housing

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# 8.2.9. Public Infrastructure

Public	No.	No.	Progra	Recov	Impleme	Durat	Bud
Buildi	of	of	mme/	ery	nting	ion	get
ngs	Parti	Fully	Schemes	Measu	Agency		
	al	Dam		res			
	dam	age					
	age						
Autonom							
ous							
District							
Council							
Educatio							
nal							
Buildings							
Anganwa							
di							
Hospitals							

Market				
Shed				
Office				
Buildings				
Police				
Station				
Communi				
ty Halls				

## Restoration of Livelihood Provisioning of Employment

Occupational category	No. of workers	Implementing Agency	Tentative Duration (Months)	Budget
Skilled labourers				

Unskilled and , Agricultural labourers		
Small and marginal farmers		
Construction workers		
Salt pan workers		
Fisher folk		
Weavers		
Other artisans		

# **Land Improvement**

Land erosion / siltation (Hectare)	HHs affected	Recovery Measures	Implementing Agency	Tentative Duration (Months)	Budget

# Agricultural

Crop failure (Hectare)	HHs affected	Recovery Measures	Implementing Agency	Tentative Duration (Months)	Budget

# Non farm livelihood

	Extent of damage/disruption					
Cottage Industry	Tools and equipment (Specify no. and type)	Goods and material (Specify type and qty)	Recovery Measures	Implementing Agency	Tentative Duration (Months)	Budget
Handloom						
Pottery						
Food						
Processing						
Diamond						
sorting etc						
Printing/						
Dying						
Other						

### Shops and establishment

Extent	Extent of damage/disruption		Recovery Measures	Implementing Agency	Tentative Duration (Months)	Budget
Building (No. and location)	Tools and equipments (Specify no. and type)	Goods and materials (Specify type and qty)				

### 8.3. Long Term Recovery Programme

Disaster recovery typically occurs in phases, with initial efforts dedicated to helping those affected meet immediate needs for housing, food and water. As homes and businesses are repaired, people return to work and communities continue with clean up and rebuilding efforts. Many government agencies, voluntary organizations, and the private sector cooperate to provide assistance and support.

Some individuals, families and communities that are especially hard hit by a disaster may need more time and specialized assistance to recover, and a more formalized structure to support them. Specialized assistance may be needed to address unique needs that are not satisfied by routine disaster assistance programs. It may also be required for very complex restoration or rebuilding challenges. Community recovery addresses these ongoing needs by taking a holistic, long-term view of critical recovery needs, and coordinating the mobilization of resources at the, and community levels. Oftentimes, committees, task forces or other means of collaboration are formed with the goals of developing specific plans for Community recovery, identifying and addressing unmet or specialized needs of individuals and families, locating funding sources, and providing coordination of the many sources of help that may be available to assist. Some collaboration focuses on the community level and rely on the expertise of community planning and economic development professionals. Other collaborations focus on individual and family recovery and are coordinated by social service and volunteer groups. All such efforts hope to lay the groundwork for wise decisions about the appropriate use of resources and rebuilding efforts.

### 8.4. Grievances Redressal System

Grievance redressal is important aspect in the context of providing need based assistance to affected communities with transparency and accountability. It is also ensures the protection of their rights and entitlements for disaster response services.

No.	Key person/ Establishment	Contact No.	Address

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To Be filled by the District authority.

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# **Chapter-9** Financial Arrangement

(Details to be filled by the District Authority)
9.1. Source of Funds at national and State level
9.2. State Disaster Response Fund
9.3. District Disaster Response Fund
9.4. Centrally Sponsored Schemes

# Chapter- 10 Monitoring, Evaluation, Updation& Maintenance of DDMP

## 10.1. Preparation and updation of DDMP

The organizational structure suggested in DDMP will be based on following three concepts:

- 1. Plans will work only in the case when present organizational structure is responsible to its non-emergency duties i.e. if a job is done well every day; it is best done by that organization during emergency.
- 2. Crisis should be met at the lowest and most immediate level of government. Plans call for local response supplemented if necessary, by the next higher jurisdiction.
- 3. Voluntary response and involvement of the private sector should be sought and emphasized. The emergency management partnership is important to all phases of natural and man-made disasters.

District Disaster Management Plan of the district shall be a public document. The DDMP is the sum and substance of all the Horizontal and Vertical disaster management plans in the district. Horizontal plans include plans prepared by line departments such as Police, Fire Service, MAHUD, I & FC dept, civil Defence and other line departments and the Vertical

plans include Sub divisional plans, Community plans, School plans, Hospital plans etc at the lower level and state disaster management plan and National disaster management plan at the higher level.

- Preparation of the District Disaster Management Plan is the responsibility of the District Disaster Management Committee of the district. The first draft plan is to be discussed in the DDMA and later the Chairperson of the DDMA shall rectify it.
- The same procedure is to be followed in the updation of the plan document. The District Disaster Management Plan is to be updated yearly by the District Disaster Management Authority. In order to update the document, all vertical and horizontal plans shall be collected and incorporated to the District Disaster Management Plan (DDMP).
- After each updation of the District Disaster Management Plan (DDMP), a version number shall be given serially. Copy of the updated document shall be circulated to each stakeholder of disaster management in the district.

### **Regular Updation of District Disaster Management Plan (DDMP)**

Every year as a part of pre monsoon DDMA will update plan in the month of May-June and also revise in the month of October-November every year. Besides the above procedure of updation of the DDMP, a regular data collection system shall be set up at the district Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) and the data will be verified and uploaded by the EOC in-charge under the supervision of Chairperson, DDMA.

#### **Post Disaster Evaluation Mechanism**

Disasters are always unexpected. Each disaster causes huge loss of human lives and property. And every disaster repeats after a particular interval. Also lessons learnt from a particular disaster will help to plan for another potential hazard. The DDMA Chairman shall make special arrangements to collect data on a particular disaster irrespective of size and vulnerability. This post disaster evaluation mechanism shall be set up with qualified professions, experts and researchers and the collected data shall be thoroughly crosschecked and documented in the EOC for further reference. This document shall be made with proper attention keeping in view the relief and rehabilitation measures.

### 10.2. Co-ordination with other agencies for implementation of DDMP

The initial response to a disaster is usually provided by the emergency services supported by local authority, but many agencies can become involved. The emergency services have to maintain a state of readiness so that they can provide a rapid response and alert local authorities and other services as soon as possible. All organizations that need to respond quickly to a disaster should have arrangements which can be activated at short notice. These arrangements should be clearly established and promulgated.

Although involvement of different emergency services like Police, Fire Brigade and Hospital services is inevitable, some other Public Utility Services, such as local bodies, Railways, Air lines, etc., have to be involved also in most cases for dealing with the situation effectively. All such agencies are very different organizations, with different hierarchies and chains of command and responsibility, all taking different languages with different areas of

expertise and priorities. If rescue and recovery work is to be effective, all these different agencies have to work together in a co-ordinated way. All these agencies, therefore, have to be aware of each other's areas of responsibility and systems of working. Comprehensive discussion and agreement among these agencies in the planning stage and communication of the decisions down the chain of command to the lowest functionary of each agency and their training is, therefore, of utmost importance so that they know as to who is responsible for that and are aware of their roles and responsibility and can appreciate the need for Multi-Service Involvement in such a situation.

# **Chapter- 11 Operational Guidelines of Different Disasters**

### 11.1. сагищиаке:

# "Earthquakes usually give no warning at all."

### i) Before the earthquake:

- 1. Now is the time to formulate a safety plan for you and your family. If you wait until the earth starts to shake, it may be too late. Consider the following safety measures:
- 2. Always keep the following in a designated place: bottled drinking water, non-perishable food, first-aid kit, torch-light and battery-operated radio with extra batteries. Teach family members how to turn off electricity, gas, etc.
- 3. Identify places in the house that can provide cover during an earthquake.
- 4. It may be easier to make long distance calls during an earthquake. Identify an out-of-town relative or friend as your family's emergency contact. If the family members get separated after the earthquake and are not able to contact each other, they should contact the designated relative/friend. The address and phone number of the contact person/relative should be with all the family members.
- 5. Safeguard your house
- 6. Consider retrofitting your house with earthquake-safety measures \Reinforcing the foundation and frame could make your house quake resistant. You may consult a reputable contractor and follow building codes.
- 7. Kutchha buildings can also be retrofitted and strengthened.

### **During Earthquake:**

1. Earthquakes give no warning at all. Sometimes, a loud rumbling sound might signal its arrival a few seconds ahead of time. Those few seconds could give you a chance to move to a safer location. Here are some tips for keeping safe during a quake.

- 2. Take cover. Go under a table or other sturdy furniture; kneel, sit, or stay close to the floor. Hold on to furniture legs for balance. Be prepared to move if your cover moves.
- 3. If no sturdy cover is nearby, kneel or sit close to the floor next to a structurally sound interior wall. Place your hands on the floor for balance.
- 4. Do not stand in doorways. Violent motion could cause doors to slam and cause serious injuries. You may also be hit be flying objects.
- 5. Move away from windows, mirrors, bookcases and other unsecured heavy objects.
- 6. If you are in bed, stay there and cover yourself with pillows and blankets
- 7. Do not run outside if you are inside. Never use the lift.
- 8. If you are living in a kutcha house, the best thing to do is to move to an open area where there are no trees, electric or telephone wires.

#### If outdoors:

- 1. Move into the open, away from buildings, streetlights, and utility wires. Once in the open, stay there until the shaking stops.
- 2. If your home is badly damaged, you will have leave. Collect water, food, medicine, other essential items and important documents before leaving.
- 3. Avoid places where there are loose electrical wires and do not touch metal objects that are in touch with the loose wires.
- 4. Do not re-enter damaged buildings and stay away from badly damaged structures.

### If in a moving vehicle:

1. Move to a clear area away from buildings, trees, overpasses, or utility wires, stop, and stay in the vehicle. Once the shaking has stopped, proceed with caution. Avoid bridges or ramps that might have been damaged by the quake.

### After the Earthquake:

- 2. Here are a few things to keep in mind after an earthquake. The caution you display in the aftermath can be essential for your personal safety.
- 3. Wear shoes/chappals to protect your feet from debris
- 4. After the first tremor, be prepared for aftershocks. Though less intense, aftershocks cause additional damages and may bring down weakened structures. Aftershocks can occur in the first hours, days, weeks, or even months after the quake.
- 5. Check for fire hazards and use torchlight's instead of candles or lanterns.
- 6. If the building you live in is in a good shape after the earthquake, stay inside and listen for radio advises. If you are not certain about the damage to your building, evacuate carefully. Do not touch downed power line.
- 7. Help injured or trapped persons. Give first aid where appropriate. Do not move seriously injured persons unless they are in immediate danger of further injury. In such cases, call for help.
- 8. Remember to help your neighbours who may require special assistance-infants, the elderly, and people with disabilities.
- 9. Listen to a battery-operated radio for the latest emergency information.

- 10. Stay out of damaged buildings.
- 11. Return home only when authorities say it is safe. Clean up spilled medicines, bleaches or gasoline or other flammable liquids immediately. Leave the area if you smell gas or fumes from other chemicals. Open closet and cupboard doors cautiously.
- 12. If you smell gas or hear hissing noise, open windows and quickly leave the building. Turn off the switch on the top of the gas cylinder.
- 13. Look for electrical system damages if you see sparks, broken wires, or if you smell burning of amber, turn off electricity at the main fuse box. If you have to step in water to get to the fuse box, call an electrician first for advice.
- 14. Check for sewage and water lines damage. If you suspect sewage lines are damaged, avoid using the toilets. If water pipes are damaged, avoid using water from the tap.
- 15. Use the telephone only for emergency calls.
- 16. In case family members are separated from one another during an earthquake (a real possibility during the day when adults are at work and children are at school), develop a plan for reuniting after the disaster. Ask an out of state / district relative or friend to serve as the "family contact". Make sure everyone in the family knows the name address, and phone number(s) of the contact person (s).

### 11.2. Flood

### **Basic Safety Precaution to be taken:**

- 1. Listen to radio/ TV for the latest weather bulletins and flood warnings. Pass on the information to the others.
- 2. Make a family emergency kit which should include; a portable radio/ transistor, torch, spare batteries, a first aid box along with essential medicines, ORS, dry food items, drinking water, matchboxes, candles and other essential items.
- 3. Keep hurricane lamp, ropes, rubber tubes, umbrella and bamboo stick in your house. These could be useful.
- 4. Keep your cash, jewellary, valuables, important documents etc. in a safe place. If there is a flood, move along with family members and cattle to safe areas like relief camps, evacuation centres, elevated grounds where you can take shelter.
- 5. Turn off power and gas connections before leaving your house.

### **During floods:**

- 1. Don't enter into flood waters; it could be dangerous.
- 2. Don't allow children to play in or near flood waters.
- 3. Stay away from sewerage line, gutters, drains, culverts etc.
- 4. Be careful of snakes; snakebites are common during floods.
- 5. Stay away from electric poles and fallen power-lines to avoid electrocution.
- 6. Don't use wet electrical appliances get them checked before use.
- 7. Eat freshly cooked and dry food. Always keep your food covered.
- 8. Use boiled and filtered drinking water.
- 9. Keep all drains, gutters near your house clean.

- 10. Stagnation of water can breed vector/ water-borne diseases. In case of sickness seek medical assistance.
- 11. Use bleaching powder and lime to disinfect the surroundings.

### 11.3. Fire Hazard

### A) High-Rise Fires:

- 1. Calmly leave the apartment, closing the door behind you. Remember the keys!
- 2. Pull the fire alarm near the closest exit, if available, or raise an alarm by warning others.
- 3. Leave the building by the stairs.
- 4. Never take the elevator during fire

### If the exit is blocked by smoke or fire:

- 1. Leave the door closed but do not lock it.
- 2. To keep the smoke out, put a wet towel in the space at the bottom of the door.
- 3. Call the emergency fire service number and tell them your apartment number and let them know you are trapped by smoke and fire. It is important that you listen and do what they tell you.
- 4. Stay calm and wait for someone to rescue you.

### If there is a fire alarm in your building which goes off:

- 1. Before you open the door, feel the door by using the back of our hand. If the door is hot or warm, do not open the door.
- 2. If the door is cool, open it just a little to check the hallway. If you see smoke in the hallway, do not leave.
- 3. If there is no smoke in the hallway, leave and close the door. Go directly to the stairs to leave. Never use the elevator.

### If smoke is in your apartment:

- 1. Stay low to the floor under the smoke.
- 2. Call the Fire Emergency Number which should be pasted near your telephone along with police and other emergency services and let them know that you are trapped by smoke.
- 3. If you have a balcony and there is no fire below it, go out.
- 4. If there is fire below, go out to the window. DO NOT OPEN THE WINDOW but stay near the window.
- 5. If there is no fire below, go to the window and open it. Stay near the open window.
- 6. Hang a bed sheet, towel or blanket out of the window to let people know that you are there and need help.
- 7. Be calm and wait for someone to rescue you.

### 11.4. Landslides

#### Do's

- 1. Prepare tour to hilly region according to information given by weather department or news channel.
- 2. Move away from landslide path or downstream valleys quickly without wasting time.
- 3. Keep drains clean,
- 4. Inspect drains for litter, leaves, plastic bags, rubble etc.
- 5. Keep the weep holes open.
- 6. Grow more trees that can hold the soil through roots,
- 7. Identify areas of rock fall and subsidence of buildings, cracks that indicate landslides and move to safer areas. Even muddy river waters indicate landslides upstream.
- 8. Notice such signals and contact the nearest Tehsil or District Head Quarters.
- 9. Ensure that toe of slope is not cut, remains protected, don't uproot trees unless re-vegetation is planned.
- 10. Listen for unusual sounds such as trees cracking or boulders knocking together.
- 11. Stay alert, awake and active (3A's) during the impact or probability of impact.
- 12. Locate and go to shelters,
- 13. Try to stay with your family and companions.
- 14. Check for injured and trapped persons.
- 15. Mark path of tracking so that you can't be lost in middle of the forest.
- 16. Know how to give signs or how to communicate during emergency time to flying helicopters and rescue team.

#### Don'ts

- 1. Try to avoid construction and staying in vulnerable areas.
- 2. Do not panic and loose energy by crying.
- 3. Do not touch or walk over loose material and electrical wiring or pole.
- 4. Do not built houses near steep slopes and near drainage path.
- 5. Do not drink contaminated water directly from rivers, springs, wells but rain water if collected directly without is fine.
- 6. Do not move an injured person without rendering first aid unless the casualty is in immediate danger.

### 11.5. Lightning and Thunderstorm:

### **Danger during thunderstorms**

Lightning claims quite a few lives and injures many every year. Quite a large number of injuries from the electric shock received while using fixed telephones during thunderstorms.

Take these precautions during thunderstorms:

#### Take action now

1. Consult an electrician for advice on lightning conductors required for your house.

### If caught outdoors

# If you hear thunder 10 seconds after a lightning flash, it is only about three kilometres away. The shorter the time, the closer the lightning, so find shelter urgently:

- 1. Seek shelter in a hardtop (metal-bodied) vehicle or solid building but avoid small open structures or fabric tents.
- 2. Never take shelter under a small group of (or single) trees.
- 3. If far from any shelter, crouch (low, feet together), preferably in a hollow. Remove metal objects from head / body. Do not lie down flat but avoid being the highest object.
- 4. If your hair stands on end or you hear 'buzzing' from nearby rocks, fences, etc, move immediately. At night, a blue glow may show if an object is about to be struck.
- 5. Do not fly kites during thunderstorms.
- 6. Do not handle fishing rods, umbrellas or metal rods, etc.
- 7. Stay away from metal poles, fences, clotheslines etc.
- 8. Do not ride bicycles or travel on open vehicles.
- 9. If driving, slow down or park away from trees, power lines, stay inside metal-bodied (hard top) vehicles or in a pucca building but do not touch any metal sections.
- 10. If in water, leave the water immediately.
- 11. If on a boat, go ashore to a shelter as soon as possible.
- 12. Be sure the mast and stays of the boat are adequately secured.

### If you are indoors

- 1. Before the storm arrives, disconnect external aerial and power leads to radios and television sets. Disconnect computer modems and power leads.
- 2. Draw all curtains and keep clear of windows, electrical appliances, pipes and other metal fixtures (e.g. do not use the bath, shower, hand basin or other electric equipments)
- 3. Avoid the use of fixed telephones. In emergencies, make calls brief, (do not touch any metal, brick or concrete) and do not stand bare foot on concrete or tiled floors.

### First Aid

1. Apply immediate heart massage and mouth-to-mouth resuscitation to lightning victims until medical help arrives. (You won't receive a shock from the victim).

### **Lightning facts and myths**

- 1. When struck, people do not glow or fry to a crisp but the heart and breathing are often affected.
- 2. Only about 30% of people struck actually die, and the incidence of long-term disability is low, particularly when appropriate first aid is applied promptly.
- 3. If your clothes are wet, you are less likely to be seriously injured if struck, as most of the charge will be conducted through the wet clothes rather than your body.