

STATE LEVEL TRAINING ON POST DISASTER NEEDS ASSESSMENT

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At Himachal Pradesh Institute of Public Administration (HIPA), Shimla

Whether disasters are natural or human-induced in origin, their consequences derive from a combination of human action and interaction with nature's cycles or systems. Disasters occur frequently around the world, and their incidence and intensity seem to be increasing in recent years. They can lead to widespread loss of life, directly and indirectly (primarily or secondarily) affect large segments of the population and cause significant environmental damage and large-scale economic and social harm.

Undesirable disaster effects may include damage to economic and social infrastructure, environmental modifications, fiscal and foreign sector imbalances, price increases, modifications to demographic structures and changes in development priorities as the task of replacing lost or damaged assets results in the deferment of projects intended to overcome long-standing needs. The most devastating impact is undoubtedly the deterioration in the social well-being of the population, especially among the poorest and most vulnerable population groups. Furthermore, the ramifications of disasters increasingly extend beyond the affected community or country through unexpected population migration, disease transmission, trade reductions or widespread environmental modifications.

For a realistic assessment of the post-disaster damage, losses and needs, it is very crucial to prepare estimates of damage, losses, and needs, covering various themes including-governance, environment, social sectors, infrastructures, production, cross-cutting themes, regional development and macro-economic analysis. To build the capacities of the officials and executives of the Government departments, the Himachal Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (HPSDMA) and the DM Cell, Himachal Pradesh Institute of Public Administration (HIPA) organized a 3-day Training on Post Disaster Needs and Damage Assessment from 26th to 28th of December, 2011 at HIPA, Shimla.

Following presentations were made during the Training programme:

Day-1 (26th of December, 2011)

Module-I: Disaster and its Impact

- Disaster and its Impact- Life, Livelihood and Economy
By Prof. Santosh Kumar, Professor & Head, PPCCI Division, NIDM
- Current system of Assessment
By Prof. Santosh Kumar, Professor & Head, PPCCI Division, NIDM
- Damage & Loss Assessment (Agriculture/Housing/Power Sector)
Prof. Santosh Kumar / Dr. Alka Sharma, Sr. Scientific Officer and In-charge- AGISAC

Day-2 (27th of December, 2011)

- Gaps in the Current Practices
Prof. Santosh Kumar (NIDM)

Module-II: The Damage/Loss and Need Assessment and Disaster Recovery

- Damage Assessment: Decision making from subjective to objective
Prof. Santosh Kumar (NIDM)
- Disaster Damage Assessment: Concept, Relevance, Issues & Challenges
Prof. Santosh Kumar (NIDM)

Module-III: Damage Assessment- Current Practices

- Damage Assessment: Existing procedures in the state of Himachal Pradesh
Dr. Man Singh, Director, Agriculture
- Detailed Damage Assessment: Case Study
Dr. Man Singh, Director, Agriculture
- Government of India Guidelines for Damage Assessment for NCCF and CRF
Prof. Santosh Kumar (NIDM)

Day-3 (28th of December, 2011)

- Damage and Loss Assessment: Communication Sector
Prof Santosh Kumar (NIDM)
- Damage and Loss Assessment: Health Sector
Prof Santosh Kumar (NIDM)
- Damage and Loss Assessment: Education Sector
Prof Santosh Kumar (NIDM)

- Prioritizing Investment for Disaster Recovery

Prof Santosh Kumar (NIDM)

Photographs taken during the Training on PDN





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