

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Thus, our findings clearly indicate that there is a distinct need for capacity-building intervention related to Disaster Risk Reduction. This applies to all personnel, line departments, PRI functionaries and the community.

Following are the training interventions recommended:

1. Community and government officials should be comprehensively made aware of Disasters and Disaster Management.
2. A good understanding of Disaster Management Act 2005, State Disaster Management Authority, District Disaster Management Authority and National Disaster Management Authority will play an enabling role. This is especially necessary for govt. officials, who need to fully understand the India Disaster Resource Network (IDRN).
3. All departments should be aware for mainstreaming of Disaster Management Plan in their respective line departments. PRIs also need similar sound exposure in order to prepare local plans.
4. Similarly, there is a need of proper information, understanding and awareness building regarding DRR, among all stakeholders.
5. Special inputs on the role of society, NGOs, CBOs, PRIs are required, to explain their involvement in different aspects of DRR.
6. Life style changes of the people and development of local coping mechanisms should be duly emphasized.
7. The official respondent should necessarily be given inputs about their role in DRR.
8. Knowledge about benchmarks of response like Sphere Standards, in post-disaster situations, should be disseminated.
9. Government officials should be sensitized about role and participation of NGOs, CBOs and Community in all Disaster Management Programmes.
10. Similarly, Government officials should be made aware of use of Information Communication Technology, Early Warning System, Geographical Information System and other technological developments in DRR. Appropriate inputs should be planned for community too.
11. There is need of awareness of importance and use of Documentation in developing institutional memory and learning.
12. All official and non-official stakeholders, especially line departments, need to be trained about concerted and coordinated action.