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### MESSAGE

In current times, to communicate risks effectively with populations, communities, families and individuals is essential for everyone to be better prepared when disasters strike. Dealing with such emergencies then becomes a challenging and daunting task. Every organization and government engaged in disaster risk reduction awareness must plan and communicate harmonized messages - a key element to avoid haphazard preparedness. Here, the role for education in the arena of disaster management makes it imperative to teach children risk reduction and management material. Children often spread learning to their families and communities and it truly stands correct that 'educating a child is educating a family'. The integration of disaster risk management in the education sector is crucial in order to increase awareness of the effects and causes of disasters. Schools that take action to manage risks contribute to a culture of prevention, which is essential in the sustainable development process of countries. Indeed, it reduces disaster risks and strengthens the capacities of the most vulnerable communities to respond to emergencies. With this intent in mind, and to promote disaster risk reduction, NIDM ventured into a dialogue with All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) and University Grants Commission (UGC) to explore the possibilities of scope and opportunities to integrate various aspects of disaster management in the higher education curriculum so as to promote the culture of safety and sustainability. Further, with the intent to foster the NIDM and JNU collaboration, Special Centre as envisaged in the MoU between the two has been set up at JNU as the Special Centre for Disaster Research (SCDR) to facilitate research in various aspects of disaster management which corroborates the need for trans-disciplinarity in disaster research. After a short hiatus, the activities expected under the project have been resumed in full swing. To begin with, SCDR and NIDM organized a one-day workshop on Institutional Collaboration of Early Warning Communication and Community Participation in the context of flood at SCDR, JNU on 27 April 2018 where various stakeholders deliberated upon the theme. We look forward to promoting both the areas of collaborations and widen the realm of our current defined mandates/ core activities so as to achieve the aim of a "Resilient India: Disaster Free India".

  
(B.H. Anil Kumar)

## New Executive Director of NIDM



Shri B. H. Anil Kumar, an Indian Administrative Service (IAS) Officer of 1987 batch from Karnataka cadre, has joined NIDM as Executive Director on 2 April 2018. While working for Government of Karnataka at various positions during 1987 to 2013, he handled different assignments like Land Revenue & Management, Urban Development, Human Resource Development, Social Justice & Empowerment, Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, Commerce, Transport, Agriculture & Cooperation, etc. He also worked as Managing Director of Karnataka Soaps & Detergents Ltd., Mysore Paper Mills Ltd. and Karnataka State Road Development Corporation. He was also appointed as Chief Project Officer in Karnataka State Highways Improvement Project (K-Ship). Prior to joining in NIDM, he worked as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of India on central deputation since October 2013

## Eco-DRR Centre of Maharashtra Government: DPR Consultation to Finance Minister, 4-5 April 2018, Mumbai

Government of Maharashtra, on the initiative of the Minister for Finance, Planning and Forests, Mr. Sudhir Mungantiwar, accorded administrative approval for setting up eco-DRR centre with the name "School for Unified DRR Harmonizing Integrated Resilience" in the campus of under-expansion Forest Academy at Chandrapur. In this regard Executive Director of NIDM Mr. B.H. Anil Kumar along with Faculty NIDM, was invited to the consultation meetings during 4 and 5 April 2018, to discuss with related senior officials of forest department and Director of Forest Academy Mr Ashok Khadse, Additional Chief Secretary (Revenue & Relief) Ms. Medha Gadgil and the Minister Mr. Sudhir Mungantiwar.



## PMC Meeting: 11 April 2018

A meeting was convened under the Chairmanship of ED NIDM on 11 April 2018 at NIDM. It was attended by PMC members from both NIDM and SCDR. Discussions about starting of the M. A and Ph. D programme in Disaster Management took place. It was also discussed to extend the duration of the NIDM-JNU Project beyond the current financial year of 2017-18. Various Activities, Conferences as part of the project scheduled for the current year were also discussed.

## Promotion of DRR : Meeting with AICTE Chairman at New Delhi on 17 April 2018

The Executive Director of NIDM, Mr B. H. Anil Kumar, IAS held a meeting with the Chairman of All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE), Prof. Anil D. Sahastrabudhe at New Delhi on 17 April 2018. The discussion focused on needs, scope and opportunities for integrating safety, sustainability and disaster education curriculum into professional courses at engineering / technology streams in colleges / Universities affiliated to AICTE. It was agreed to develop training modules and manuals for master trainers in different engineering disciplines, and to organize refresher/orientation courses, besides introduction of diploma/certificate programmes, to address the existing gaps. It was also agreed to work for developing model disaster management plan for engineering college/University and to workout online programmes on the themes of disaster management.

## Academic Seminar on "Industrial / Chemical Risk Management Strategies" by Prof. Jao Jia Horng, National Yunlin University of S&T, Taiwan on 19 April 2018, at NIDM, New Delhi



National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM) organized an academic oriented guest talk on "Industrial / Chemical Risk Management Strategies" on 19 April 2018, NIDM at Conference Hall No. 2, Second Floor, NDCC-II Building, New Delhi. Prof Jao Jia Horng, Distinguished Professor at National Yunlin University of Science & Technology, Dept. of Safety, Health and Environmental Engineering, Douliou, Taiwan, was the invited guest speaker. The session was attended by NIDM Faculty members along with representatives from NDMA, FICCI and NDRF.

## PMC Meet: 25 April 2018

The PMC meeting of NIDM-JNU DRP was held under the Chairmanship of ED NIDM on 25 April 2018 at SCDR, JNU which was attended by PMC members from both NIDM and SCDR. Detailed course structure, content and Modules of the M.A course in Disaster Management to be initiated from 2019 was shared by SCDR and discussed which shall be submitted for due approval of Academic Council of JNU. Also, SCDR informed that they shall take up 5 foreign students directly for Ph.D programme (In absentia) who will be middle level working professionals from neighbouring countries.

## ADPC Executive Director Visit to NIDM: Opening Ties to Go Asia-Pacific and Beyond (26 April 2018), at NIDM, New Delhi

Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (ADPC) and NIDM are the two leading institutions in this region, with former as an independent professional organization and NIDM being Government of India's Premier institute with mandate of capacity building, research, training and policy support in all areas of disaster risk management. Looking to the commonalities of mandates and strengths and opportunities of cooperation in undertaking research, pilots, case studies and international level training interventions, the Executive Director of ADPC, Mr. Hans Guttman and ADPC India representative Ms. Mona Anand, met the ED NIDM, Mr. B H Anil Kumar and Faculty NIDM also participated in the discussions on mutual areas of possible cooperation. Discussions included academic structure and strengths, areas of operation, avenues of joint research projects, pilots and capacity building programmes. Mr Hans Gutmann also presented a featured publication "Dharohar" a documentation of traditional knowledge on water and natural resource management for disaster resilience in Bihar state, by GEAG, UNICEF and ADPC jointly, recently released by the State Chief Minister.



## SCDR-JNU-NIDM National Workshop on Early Warning System and Resilience to Floods: Regional Cooperation and Coordination, 27 April 2018

Special Centre for Disaster Research, Jawaharlal Nehru University in collaboration with National Institute of Disaster Management, MHA Govt of India organized a "National Workshop on Early Warning System and Community Resilience to Floods with focus on Regional Cooperation and Institutional Coordination". The workshop was on 27 April 2018 at SCDR-JNU. Executive Director NIDM, Shri B. H. Anil Kumar as Chief Guest of the event, delivered the keynote address, while Dr. Anil K Gupta, Head of Policy Planning Division, was a distinguished speaker in the session on "Flood Preparedness, Insurance and Collaborations". NIDM Faculty members Dr. Ajinder Walia and Dr. Sushma Guleria participated as delegates from NIDM side. Strategic agencies including relevant Ministries, India Meteorology Department, Central Water Commission, GEAG, ICIMOD, AIDMI, UNICEF, UNDP, and several independent experts on disaster management participated and deliberated on the theme.



## Training Programmes Organized (April 2018)

S.No.	Title of Course	Venue	Date (s)	Course Coordinator	No of Participants
1.	Knowledge Management for Disaster Risk Reduction & Resilience [KM4DRR&R]	YMCA New Delhi	23-27 April 2018	Surya Parkash	29

## Upcoming Training Programmes (May 2018)

Sl. No.	Name of Course	Venue	Date(s)	Course Coordinator (s)
1	Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction into City Planning	NIDM Southern Campus (Vishakhapatnam)	1-4 May	Chandrani Bandyopadhyay, Shekher Chaturvedi
2	School Safety Plan and Safety Audits	NIDM New Delhi	1-4 May	Amir Ali Khan
3	Psycho-social care in disaster management (for NDRF)	NIDM New Delhi	14-18 May	Ajinder Walia



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