MAKE SCHOOL SAFE

“DISASTER can come any date, so TAKE PRECAUTION before it’s too late.”

WHY IS SCHOOL SAFETY CRITICAL?

Hundreds of children are affected every year by earthquakes, floods, fires and other disasters.

- In 1995 in Dabwali (Haryana) about 200 students killed in school fire
- The 2001 Bhuj Earthquake, killed 971 students and 31 teachers
- Kumbakonam (Tamilnadu) fire tragedy killed 94 children in 2004
- Bus falling into Yamuna river in Delhi killed 24 children
- Thousands of students and teachers were killed, injured or affected during 2004 Tsunami
- 15 students and 3 teachers died in a boat accident during a school picnic in Kerala in 2007

This makes it imperative to reduce school vulnerability through structural and non-structural interventions.

School safety plans play an essential role in this!

SCHOOL SAFETY: SALIENT FEATURES

- Raising disaster awareness
- Hazard, vulnerability, risk analysis
- Structural and non-structural safety
- Facilities and Resource Mapping
- Constitution and training of School Disaster Management Committee and Task Forces
- Alert mechanisms
- School maps, evacuation plans and calendar of preparedness activities
- Mock drills
- Psychosocial support for children in disaster
- Consideration of disability and gender-based needs
- Periodical review and audits of inclusive School Disaster Management Plan

For Details visit at:- http://nidm.gov.in/safety_school.asp