



## *Minutes of the Meeting*

### **GO-NGO Coordination and Formation of Himachal Pradesh Inter Agency Group (HPIAG)**

**May 6, 2018  
Conference Hall, HIPA, Shimla**

## Proceedings of the GO-NGO Coordination Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 at HIPA, Fairlawns, Shimla:

1. **List of participants is at Annexure A.**
2. Mr. Vivek Sharma, Disaster Management Specialist, HPSDMA, welcomed **Sh. D.C. Rana, Special Secretary (Revenue-DM) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh** and the participants from different organisations and offered gratitude to them for attending the meeting on GO-NGO Coordination and formation of HP Inter Agency Group.
3. The meeting started with comprehensive introduction of the participants representing various organisations sharing their respective areas of interventions in Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR).
4. After the introduction, DM Specialist highlighted the vital role of NGOs in disasters and shared the specific issues pertaining to disaster management. The brief description of their role of NGOs as per the guidelines released by HPSDMA, Department of Revenue was also shared with the participants.
5. After the inaugural session, Sh. Navneet Yadav, Volunteer – HPSDMA shared the disaster risk in Himachal Pradesh with details about the basics of the Disaster Management and the terminology. He then shared with the participants how to mainstream DRR in their respective areas of interventions. The scope of linkage between the DRR with other social interventions by the NGOs in the field was also discussed.
6. **Sh. D C Rana, Special Secretary (Rev-DM)** elaborated the agenda of the meeting by sharing the detailed background of the initiatives by the department for GO-NGO Coordination in the past and emphasized the need of forming an active and effective Inter Agency Group (IAG). He also shared the details of the Core Group which was selected in 2011 which was somehow inactive for years and proposed to form/amend the croup group by mutual discussions in the meeting. He briefly explained the criteria to become a member of the HP-IAG. Mr. Rana added that the need of the hour is to identify the credible NGOs working in the state, map out their resources, build their capacities for various aspects of DRR/DM. He requested all the organisations to register on the web at [hpiag.in](http://hpiag.in) so that the database of the NGOs can be maintained at the State Level. The details of the registration in the website was shared by Sh. Navneet Yadav.
7. After this a detailed discussion on the updation/formation of the Core Group of IAG was done and following organisation were proposed as the potential members of the Core Group:
  - i. Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering & Allied Sports, Manali
  - ii. H.P. Civil Defence, Shimla
  - iii. Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan, Shimla
  - iv. District Red Cross Society, Mandi
  - v. Confederation of Indian Industries (CII), Shimla
  - vi. Helpage India, Shimla
  - vii. CASA, Shimla
  - viii. SEEDS India
  - ix. Nature & Life Savers, Kullu
  - x. SARDHA, Sirmaur
  - xi. LTWA, Lahaul & Spiti
  - xii. HPVHA, Shimla

8. ***Shri O. P. Bhatia, Secretary, District Red Cross Society, Mandi was selected as the Convenor of the Core Group.***
9. Besides these organisation some of the volunteers' names for supporting the Core Group and the HPIAG were also proposed:
  - i. Dr. Richa Minocha
  - ii. Mr. Jitender Verma
  - iii. Mr. Arvin Panwar
  - iv. Mr. Navneet Yadav
  - v. Mr. Amit Mehta
  - vi. Mr. Dheeraj Ramoul
10. It was decided that DM Cell, Department of Revenue will approve the final list of the Core Group members and volunteers. After the approval by the department the Core Group will meet at least once in a quarter and HPIAG will meet twice a year initially.
11. Sh. D.C. Rana in his concluding remarks, added that synergetic cooperation and coordination between the GOs-NGOs is vital to create an enabling environment for effective disaster management in the State. He shared that the Government is planning to create a cadre of the 10-20 volunteers at every panchayat level, he entreated the participating organisations to identify volunteers and support in training these volunteers in their respective areas. All NGOs which have their network at the field level would also share the same with the DM Cell.

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