

# **STATE LEVEL TRAINING ON POST DISASTER NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

**Under**

**Government of India – UNDP Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)**

**Programme (2009-12)**

## **Training Programme on Damage, Loss and Needs Assessment**

From 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> of December, 2011

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

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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 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> of December, 2011 at HIPA, Shimla.

**Following presentations were made during the Training programme:**

### **Day-1 (26<sup>th</sup> 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 (27<sup>th</sup> 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 (28<sup>th</sup> 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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