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# Prevention, Preparedness & Mitigation Activities:

Departmental DM Plan: District Disaster Management Authority, Cachar has taken up the
initiative for preparation of District Level Departmental DM Plan of selected 16 (sixteen) nos.
of Departments under aegis of the Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA),
Govt. of Assam. State level training was also organized for the same in Guwahati for
preparation of Departmental DM Plan.

Accordingly 15 (Fifteen) nos. of Departments have prepared and submitted the Departmental DM Plan to DDMA (both soft & hard copies) and it has also been shared with ASDMA.

DDMA, Cachar has also organized a presentation of the Departmental DM Plan on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2015 and in this meeting 8 (eight) nos. of Departments have given their Departmental DM Plan for appraisal of the Deputy Commissioner cum Chairman, DDMA.

It has also decided in the meeting that from November 2015 onwards, all the DDMAs meeting, one or two Departments must present (PPT) their respective Departmental DM Plan for appraisal of the DDMA.

The following Departments has prepared their own Departmental DM plan:

SI. No.	Departments	Remarks		
1.	Agriculture.	Prepared		
2.	A. H. & Vety.	DO		
3.	Education	DO		
4.	PWD (Rural Roads) Division.	DO		
5.	PWD (B) Division.	DO		
6.	PWD (NH) Division.	DO		
7.	PWD (NEC) Division.	DO		
8.	DI&CC.	DO		
9.	Health & Family Welfare.	DO		
10.	Soil Conservation.	DO		
11.	APDCL.	DO		
12.	Irrigation.			
13.	Town & Country Planning (UDD)	DO		
14.	PHE PHE	DO		
15.	Social Welfare	DO		
16.	Forest & Environment.	DO		
17.	Rural Development (DDS + 2 = 1)	DO		
	Rural Development (DRDA & Zila Parishad)	DO		

Out of total 16 (sixteen) Departments, only Water Resource Department did not submit the Plan instead of repeated reminder from DDMA.

Health & Family Welfare Departments Plan was selected as a good Plan of the district in the DDMA meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2015

 Village Master Plan: DDMA, Cachar selected Chibitabichia Part – IV revenue village under Tapang Development Block and Silchar Sadar Circle for preparation of model Village Master

Plan of the District. Accordingly, all the Departments shared information about the concerned village and also visited the village for meeting with community. DDMA has also conducted a community meeting with all the Departments representatives at the village to discuss about the Village Master Plan and other concerned issues related this village.

6 (six) rounds of meeting was held with

Departments and community for the whole preparation process and finally the meeting held with VLMCC of the same village for approval of the draft Village Master Plan on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

The final Village Master Plan has already shared with ASDMA both soft and hard copies. The Village Master Plan sharing workshop was held on 1<sup>st</sup> week of February2016 at DRDA Conference Hall for dissemination of the plan among the various Departments and VLMCCs and also with PRI representatives. All the concerned Department will present their Departmental role for preparation of Village Master Plan and also roadmap for rest 866 nos. of Village Master Plan for revenue villages and in consultation with VLMCCs. DPO, DDMA has also presented Village Master Plan and strategy for preparation taken by the DDMA.

- 3. VLMCC Formation: As per Govt. OM, the DDMA has instructed all the Circle Officers to constitute a VLMCC in each revenue village of the Circle and notified it accordingly. In Cachar, all Circles have completed the formation process in all revenue villages except 6 nos. of revenue villages which are without human habitation. Total 867 nos. of revenue villages in Cachar and 861 nos. VLMCCs formed and the copy of the notification is also available with DDMA.
- 4. VLMCC Members Training: VLMCC Members training has completed on Sonai and Udharbhond Revenue Circles and Silchar Sadar, Katigorah and Lakhipur is yet to complete the same. The training is under process in these Circles.



**VLMCC Members Training** 



VLMCC Members Training

- Taking Co-ordinates of VGR:Co-ordinates of VGR & PGR have completed in all Revenue Circles of the District. Soft copy of the same is available with DDMA.
- Non-structural Mitigation Measures of Schools and Hospitals: Non-structural Mitigation
  measures have been completed in association with Chamber of Engineers, Silchar in 20 nos.
  of Schools and 5 nos. of Hospitals in Cachar district.



Meeting with Principal



Hospital Building

7. Quiz Competition on awareness for Disaster Management at Dudpatil Rural area: Quiz Competition among the rural students was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2014 and the prize distribution ceremony was also held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2015 and the Deputy Commissioner cum Chairman, DDMA has graced the occasion as a Chief Guest.



Student Participation



Handed over to Question Paper

8. City Disaster Management Plan:City Disaster Management Plan of Silchar City has prepared and formally handed over to Silchar Municipal Board on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015 in a consultative workshop was held at Silchar. Sri Asim Kumar Bhattachajee, ACS, ADC cum i/c CEO, DDMA, Cachar has formally handed over the same to Sri N. N. Thakur, Chairman, Silchar Municipal Board.





Workshop on HRVA Report & CDMP Sharing with SMB & Line Departments

 Training of Engineers on Safe Construction Practices and Audit Tools: Engineers Training on Safe Constructions Practices and Audit Tools was held in the Conference Hall of DEOC, Cachar in 2 (Two) batches. Total 60 nos. of AEs/JEs from different line Departments have participated in the training.





Training of Engineers on Safe Construction Practices under Gol-UNDP)

Preparation of Ward Level DMPlan:Draft Ward Level DM has been prepared in 25 nos. of Ward out of total 28 nos. of Wards at Silchar City. The process of preparation of the same is
 Volunteers Training on 5.

 Volunteers Training on Search, Rescue and First-Aid:Training of Volunteers on search, rescue and first-aid is under process in Silchar and its adjacent vulnerable areas. Directorate of Civil Defence, Guwahati. The programme was held in association with

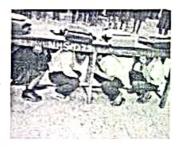
DDMA, Cachar and College concerned.

Internship Programme on Disaster Management: This year 4 nos. of students from Assam University, Department of Social Works has completed summer internship programme on 17. DM under DDMA, Cachar in the month of June 2015.

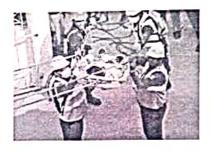
The DDMA, Cachar has prepared programme guidelines along with form for "Students Internship Programme" and approved by the Chairman, DDMA for regular programme of the DDMA from academic year 2016. Accordingly, DDMA, Cachar informed the Registrar, Assam University and all Colleges of the District to take opportunity and make this endeavour a grand success for capacity building among the students community of the district.

The details of the programme is available in the DDMA website. Students can download .the same and submit it in the office.

Mock Drill in Schools, Govt. Offices and Hospitals: Mock Drill and Demonstration held at 18. regular interval in the Schools, Colleges and Govt. Offices in the District.







School Mock Drill

School Mock Drill

Govt. Offices Mock Drill

- 19. DDMA prepared SOPs and shared with all Departments:DDMA, Cachar prepared a SOPs for relief, recovery and rehabilitation and approved in its meeting and also shared with all concerned line Departments. DDMA, Cachar has also prepared a reporting format for "First Information Report", "Rapid Damage Assessment", Check list etc. for line Departments and Circle Offices for timely and systematic reporting in the during and post Disaster situation. All formats and SOPs in the available in the DDMA website.
- Launched DDMA website: For dissemination of information, DDMA, Cachar has launched 20. website on 15th August 2014 and the initiatives has been taken Volunteers registration, NGOs registration through online process and Citizens Corner for Dos and Don'ts about the different disasters etc. included in the website.



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Volunteers Training on Search, Rescue and First-Ald at Rongpur, Silchar



12. HRVA of Silchar City (a study report):HRVAof Silchar City has prepared and formally handed

over to Silchar Municipal Board on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015 in a consultative workshop held at Silchar. Sri Asim Kumar Bhattachajee, ACS, ADC cum i/c CEO, DDMA, Cachar has formally handed over the same to Sri N. N. Thakur, Chairman, Silchar Municipal Board.



Workshop on HRVA Report & CDMP Sharing with SMB & Line Departments

- Seminar on DM at G. C. College, Silchar: DDMA, Cachar has organized a Seminar on Disaster Management in association with Department of Political Science, G. C. College, Silchar on 28.03.2015.
- 14. Volunteers training on Disaster Management in association with CICDP, Fulertal for remote punjee area under Lakhipur Sub-Division: Volunteers training on Basics of DM and Search, rescue and first-aid was held in association with CICDP, Fulertal for remote punjee area under Lakhipur Sub-Division on 8th November 2015.
- 15. ND Test Conducted at ASTC Building, NH Point, Silchar and Sanjay Market, Rangirkhari in collaboration with NIT, Silchar:DDMA, Cachar has conducted ND-Test at Old ASTC Office
  - Building and Sanjay Market in association with PWD (B) Division and NIT, Silchar (Civil Engineering Department) and informed the ASTC and Silchar Municipal Board to take immediate necessary action as per report to avoid any untoward incident. This initiative has been taken as per complaint received from different sources about the vulnerability of the aforesaid buildings.



Sanjay Market

16. Civil Defence Volunteers Training at Colleges in association with Civil Defence Directorate, Guwahati:Civil Defence Volunteers training for students of College was held in West Silchar College, Barjatrapur (Rural area), M.C. Das College, Sonai (Rural area) and Nehru College, Pailapool under Lakhipur Sub-Division. The Resource Persons came from

 Regular Meeting of DDMA with all concerned stakeholders for co-ordination: DDMA has conducted regular meeting with all stakeholders for creating better co-ordination.





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Incident Response Team – Notified and Trained at Dist. Level: For Dist. Incident Response
Team, DDMA has organized 5 days training on "Basic and Intermediate Course "under GolUNDP Programme at Silchar on & from 1 – 5 December 2014.

From Dist. I.R.T., the following officials have also participated in the Advance Training Course on Operation & Logistic Section under Incident Response System at YASHADA, Pune, and Maharashtra:

- a) Sri Barenya Das, ADC cum CEO, DDMA.
- b) Sri Shamim Ahmed Laskar, DPO, DDMA.
- c) Dr.Ajit Kumar Bhattacharjee, SDM & HO (PH).
- d) Sri PradipDey, AE, PHE, Cachar.
- e) Smti. MondipKar, AE, PHE, Cachar.
- f) Dr. B. P. Nath, CM & HO, Cachar.
- g) Sri Saibal Biswas, AE, PWD (NEC), Silchar.
- h) Sri Sujit Kumar Baishnab, AE, PWD (RR), Silchar.



I.R.T Training at Hotel Riya Palace.



I.R.T Training(Group Photo)



I.R.T Training at Hotel Riya Palace, Silchar

- 23. Circle Level DM Committee formed for co-ordination and immediate response: Circle Level DM Committee has constituted under the Chairmanship of concerned Circle Officer in all Circle of the District, and also prepared Flood Contingency plan every year. This committee will monitor and liaise with District Authority in case any emergency situations.
- 24. Block Level DM Committee formed for co-ordination and immediate response: The Block Level DM Committee has constituted in all 15 Blocks of the District under the Chairmanship of the concerned BDOs. This committee will monitor and liaise with Circle Level Committee and District Authority in case any emergency situations.

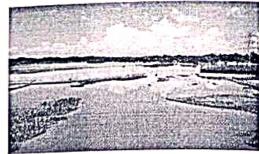
## Response, Relief & Rehabilitation Activities:

### Gratuitous Relief for Flood 2015:

For flood relief operation in 2015, the following G.R. materials were issued to the camps

inmates under Katigorah Revenue Circle.

- 1) Rice = 37.072 Quintals.
- 2) Masur Dal = 7.302 Quintals.
- lodized salt = 2.192 Quintals.
- 4) Mustard oil = 135.96 litters.
- 5) Candle = 724 packets.
- 6) Mosquito coil =683 packets.



Kathigorah Revenue Circle

Besides, 500 (five hundred) quintals wheat-bran were distributed to the owners of flood affected cattle under Katigorah Revenue Circle



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#### Rehabilitation Grant for Flood 2015:

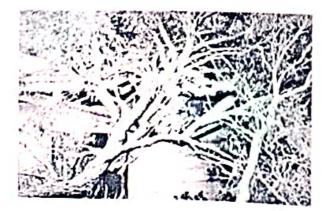
During the flood in September, 2015, a total of 349 (three hundred forty nine) nos. kutcha

houses under Katigorah Revenue Circle were partly damaged. An amount of Rs. 11, 16,800/- (Rupees eleven lakh sixteen thousand eight hundred) only was sanctioned as Rehabilitation Grant to the affected families @ Rs. 3,200/- each vide this office letter no. CRR.33/2015/75 dated 05.12.2015, 1 (one) pucca houses was completely damaged and R.G. for Rs. 95,100/- was sanctioned vide this office letter No. CRR.33/2015/69 dated18.09.2015.

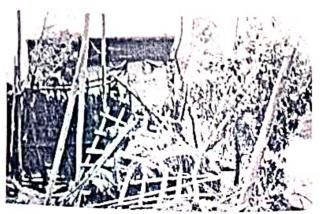


Sonai Revenue Circle

#### Cyclonic Storm 2015:



Sonai Revenue Circle



Silchar Sadar Revenue Circle

Circle wise damage to houses due to cyclone in 2015 mentioned in the following statement:

Sl.No	Name of Revenue Circle	Number of fully damaged houses		Number of partly damaged houses		Letter No. and Date of Sanction of R.G.	Amount Sanctioned
-		Pucca	Kutcha	Pucca	Kutcha		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Katigorah Revenue Circle	1	21		7	Sanctioned Letter No. CRR.3/2015/103 dated 13.07.2015	Rs.21,14,600
2.	Sonai Revenue Circle		44	2	102	Revised sanction letter No. CRR.3/2014/186 dated 21.12.2015	Rs.45,21,200
3.	-do-		4		5	Revised sanction letter No. CRR.3/2015/152 dated 30.12.2015	Rs. 3,96,400
4.	Sadar Revenue Circle		10		27	Revised sanction letter No. CRR.3/2015/150 dated 30.12.2015	Rs.10,37,400
5.	Lakhipur Revenue Circle		3	2	6	Revised sanction letter No. CRR.3/2015/151 dated 30.12.2015	Rs. 3,04,500

Number of dyke, roads and bridges etc., damaged due to flood in 2015 and against which proposals under SDRF 2015-16 submitted to the Chief Executive Officer, Assam State Disaster Management Authority, Guwahati vide letter No. CRR.73/2015/32 dated 12.11.2015, No. CRR.73/2015/PT-I/24 dated 12.11.12015, CRR.73/2015/PT-II/16 dated 12.11.2015 and CRR.73/2015/PT-II/18 dated 12.11.2015 is as under.

- 1) Dyke = 09 Nos.
- 2) Roads= 17 Nos.
- PHC Water supply schemes =31 Nos.
- Financial assistance to small and marginal farmers numbering 13,550 Nos.

#### Death Cases due to natural disasters in 2015:

- 1) 2 (Two) children died during the 2015 flood under Katigorah and Sonai Revenue Circles viz. Hasan Ahmed Laskar, S/O Jakir Hussain Laskar, Age 8 years of Village Dakshin Mohanpur Part X&Debojit Das, S/O Kirendra Das, Age 5 years 6 months of Village Chandinagar Part IV. DDMA has moved to Govt. for sanctioning ex-gratis of Rs. 4.0 lacs to NOK of deceased children's.
- 2) 5 (five) persons namely (1). ZabedaKhatun w/o. Jamal Uddin of Tarapur T.E., Lakhipur, (2). Zesmin Begum D/o. Jamal Uddin of Tarapur T.E., Lakhipur, (3). Papaiya Begum D/o. Jamal Uddin of Tarapur T.E., Lakhipur (4) Atomba Ali S/o. Jamal Uddin of Tarapur T.E., Lakhipur and (5) Zakir Ali S/o., Jamal Uddin of Tarapur T.E., at Lakhipur died due to landslide that occurred on 21.07.2015. Ex-Gratia Grant of Rs. 4, 00,000/- (Rupees four lakh) each was sanctioned to the NOK of the deceased person vide sanction letter No. CRR.75/2012/62 dated 18.09.2015.
- 3) 1 (one) SabulHussainLaskar S/o. Dilaharalilaskar of village Ambicapur Part-VI (Atalbasti), Dist. Cachardied due to cyclonic storm on 04.04.2015. Ex-gratia grant of Rs.4, 00,000/-

(Rupees four lakh) only was sanctioned to NOK of the deceased person vide this office Sanction letter No. CRR.3/2014/183 dated 30.09.2015.

4) 3 (three) persons namely (1). RejaulHaqueBarbhuiya of village Gossaipur Part-III, Udharbond, (2). Mohidul Islam Barbhuiya of village Gossaipur Part-III, Udharbond and (3). Tahir HussainBarbhuiya of village Gossaipur Part-III, Udharbond died due to lightning that occurred on 09.06.2015. Exgratia Grant of Rs. 4, 00,000/- (Rupees four Lakh) only was sanctioned each to the NOK of the deceased persons vide this office letter NO. CRR. 12/2015/111 dated 09.12.2015.

Total 11 (eleven) nos. of persons died in 2015 due to natural disaster.

### **Best Practices (Case Study)**

### Land Slide at UjanTarapur:

Ujan Tarapur village situated under Lakhipur Constituency and Lakhipur Revenue Circle, falls in Latitude 24°-15' North and Longitude 92°-35' East was suffered from a devastating landslide particularly in the house of Jamal Uddin, a day labour due to heavy and continuous rain fall on the 21st July, Tuesday at 8:30 P.M.

Jamal Uddin was not at home by the time the disaster occurred. As he was a day labour he used to go out from his home in the morning in his work place at Poilapool and returned home in the evening. But on that day due to heavy rainfall he could not come out from work place. However this hindrance could not prevent him from returning home in the rain. He reached home at 10:00 P.M. and saw that his house was under a mass of soil. The neighbours were quite ignorant of the disaster. Jamal though knew that there was a hazard near his house and it was in a vulnerable position, did not give a second thought on it. When he saw the condition of the house he began to shout for help. The neighbours heard his hue and cry and came out for his help .with the help of the neighbours his two minor sons Jekib Ali (5 years ) and Asab Ali (9 years) were rescued and they were immediately sent to Private Nursing Home at Poilapool.

. In the meantime the message of the unwanted hazard was received by the District Emergency Operation Centre (Control Room) at 10 P.M. It was also reported that five persons were missing in the land slide.

No sooner had the information received by the District Emergency Operation Centre (Control Room) than it was informed to the Deputy Commissioner, Cachar, Silchar and as per his instruction immediately it was informed to SDRF & Fire service, Silchar, Health Department, Lakhipur and Banskandi Police Station, Police Control Room, Ambulance Service Provider and getting information from local GoanPanchayat President on hourly basis.

Very soon a rescue team under State Disaster Response Force reached at the spot at 11:00 P.M. with all equipment's and were ready to start their rescue operation.

Just after the departure of the rescue team, the officials of DDMA headed by Sri Baranya Das, ADC cum CEO DDMA, Sri Shamim Ahmed Laskar, DPO, DDMA, Sri P. K. Gupta, Circle Officer, Lakhipur Revenue Circle and Dr.SudipJoyti Das, Joint Director of Health Services, Cachar rushed to the spot at 11:30 P.M. with Ambulances from Silchar. As soon as the officials reached the incident spot they immediately started monitoring to rescue operation. The officials, without feeling pain stood there whole the rainy night.

The officials arranged 3 nos. of JCBs for rescue operation from Banskandi and Poilapool and all the 3 nos. of JCBs worked throughout the night along with SDRF and other rescue team and the volunteers from the different communities in and around UjanTarapur. It will not be out of place to mention here that the role so performed by Sri Nazrul Islam, G.P.President of UjanTarapurGaonPanchayat was praiseworthy. He is an exserviceman. He is also trained in Search and Rescue by DDMA, Cachar, Silchar in 2012-13. It reflects that during the rescue operation-he took the leading role and from the front side he led the volunteers gathered from UjanTarapur and from the periphery of that area who assembled for rescue operation from the different communities. He also communicated with DDMA officials time to time. His approach indeed was a praiseworthy one.

The rescue parties worked ceaselessly throughout the night. The parties did not show any fatigue. It was due to their utmost services & efforts they could find out the five numbers of dead bodies from the debris on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2015 in the morning at 8 A.M. The five deceased persons were JabedaKhatun (30), Jakir Ali (12), Atomba Ali (7), Papiya Begum (8) and Jasmina Begum (14). The injured persons were Jecob Ali (5) and Asab Ali (9). Only Jamal Uddin (35) remained safe as he was away from home.

It was reported by the local people that Jamal Uddin's family consists of eight members and their ages are from 5(Five) years to 12 (Twelve) years. He had four sons and two daughters. He lives Below Poverty Line (BPL).

Besides, it was also reported that although this sad demise happened due to natural disaster, it was mostly blamed to the neighbour Nikhil Dev and Reba Dev. The neighbours claimed that A.P member of Manikpur-JarapurGaonPanchayatSmti. Reba Devi's house was on the top of the hill and at the foot hill lies the hovel of Jamal Uddin. To enhance the beauty of the house of the A.P member Reba Dev, the high hill was cut and tried to make it plain. Jamal Uddin requested Nikhil Dev to stop cutting the hill for there was a chance of occurring a landslide. But Nikhil Dev and Reba Dev did not pay any

heed to the pray of Jamal Uddin. Today the Dev Couple's house stood in danger free position.

Jamal Uddin and his two sons left the place and took refuge in a safe place. The administrative officers and MLA of Lakhipur constituency Sri RajdeepGoala advised the people of the neighbouring areas to leave their living place and go to some other safe place.

The deceased, after rescuing from the debris were sent for post mortem by an ambulance at Silchar Medical Collage & Hospital. The DEOC (Control Room) already informed the Medical College authority for immediate necessary action for post-mortem of all the five persons and sent all the dead bodies to the native village for cremation after NAMAZ –E- ZANAZA on the evening of 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2015.

It is worthy to mention here that DDMA, Cachar, undertook the full responsibility in monitoring all the action at a close angle from the beginning to the end .It was due to their active supervision the difficult job could be done very easily and quickly.

Sri Rajdeep Goala, the local MLA of Lakhipur constituency also initiated the rescue work from Tuesday night to till Wednesday and also appreciate efforts taken by the District Authority.

The dead bodies, after reaching the village UjanTarapur was taken to Moragang Village of Tarapur and performed NAMAZ-A-JANAZA by thousands of sorrowful people and then cremation was performed at 6 P.M. People from different casts and religious groups were present there.

On the other hand, the most important task performed by Sri S. Viswanathan, the Deputy Commissioner, cum Chairman, DDMA, Cachar, on Wednesday informed Assam State Disaster Management Authority stating all the description vividly through a message. After the occurrence of the Disaster, a team of SDRF was sent to the incidental spot and he clearly explained the matter. He directed the Lakhipur S.D.O (Civil) to submit the Post-Mortem Report & Medical Certificate stating the reasons of the death.

Thus the District Administration and the District Disaster Management Authority, Cachar leave no plan untried to help the family of the victim of Landslide. It was due to their sincere effort, active participation, quick and prompt action could easily find out the dead bodies from debris. The sincere effort of the District Disaster Management Authority could not but praise.

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