



DISTRICT DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
CACHAR



CAPACITY

BUILDING

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STRENGTHENING RESILIENCE AT THE LAST MILE.

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The District Disaster Management Authority, Cachar has indulged itself in various preparedness activities, response-rescue operations, rehabilitation measures, mitigation works and other DRR/ welfare activities. DDMA, Cachar with the help of Circle Disaster Management Committees (CDMC) of all Revenue Circle has been able to reach people at the community level and deliver at the last mile. DDMA Cachar has been successful enough to focus and touch almost every single aspect where the possibility of disaster is prominent or profound. DDMA, Cachar has worked with different NGOs/CBOs/Civil Society Organizations and other organisations, whose work has been done collaboratively to reach the community in large numbers. Through the various activities, DDMA has been able to create a secured identity and people look up to them with confidence that there is a place where they can seek help during any sort of "disaster".

"Disasters cannot be prevented, but their impact can be reduced by moving towards a pre-defined direction"

CAPACITY BUILDING

Capacity is the combination of all resources, strengths and attributes within institutions, society and communities needed to manage and mitigate risks and build resilience.

- Various multi-hazard training and capacity-building exercises for responders and vulnerable communities are conducted throughout the year by DDMA Cachar.
- Institutional and community-level preparedness drives, risk awareness, prevention and adaptation.

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TRAINING & AWARENESS PROGRAMS
CONDUCTED

17,960

TRAINEES TRAINED



MOCK DRILLS

A mock drill is a practice or a trial warning by an institution or an organization, acting as if a disaster has happened in that place, they are considered an integrated part of disaster preparedness. They prepare the person to face the hazard both mentally and physically. A perfect plan is obeyed and carried out so that every person in the infrastructure is safely evacuated. This helps to practically face the disaster and be ready for it in advance. Mock drills are helpful in several ways. They help to achieve accuracy for saving lives and property, they help to make Response more cost-effective and also minimize response time. They even help to create trained manpower to respond professionally to disasters. Mock Drills are also important as the Awareness generation through the conduct of Mock Drills leads to acceptance by the community. This also helps to evaluate the suitability/ practicability of the DM plan and also to get acquainted with the roles and responsibilities that have been earmarked for all functionaries.

2017

- Flood Mock Drill
 - A flood mock drill was organised under Katigorah Revenue Circle which was attended by an average attendance of around 500 persons.
 - A flood mock drill was organised under Udharbond Revenue Circle. The program was done in association with Silchar Sadar Circle and had nearly 1000 participants.
- Jal Mohora - a mega mock drill was organised by DDMA, Cachar. The drill was entirely departmental testing all aspects related to DM are functional. Here to accomplish the drill Assam Rifles, Indian Air Force, NDRF, SDRF, State Fire Service, Assam Police, Traffic, NCC Cadets, and other State Govt. Departments collaboratively completed the drill. The drill also had a huge number of viewers in the River Bank and had wide media coverage.
- IOCL Off-site Mock Drill - an offsite drill was jointly conducted by IOCL and DDMA, Cachar. Here, Assam Rifles, NDRF, SDRF, State Fire Service, Assam Police, Traffic and others State Govt. Depts. were present. The drill was one of the important drills as these focused on an important PSU of our valley.
- Airport Mock Drill – a mock drill was organised at Silchar Airport, Kumbhirgram. The drill had a large number of response agencies like Assam Rifles, Indian Air Force, NDRF, SDRF, State Fire Service, Assam Police, and Traffic personnel. It was one of the biggest drills ever organised by DDMA, Cachar and many new aspects were worked in like bomb squad detection, sniper dog's inclusion, etc.



- Mock Drill with NCC Cadets- a mock drill was conducted at NIT Silchar with all NCC Cadets. In this program around 500 NCC cadets were given training through the presentation by DDMA officers, SDRF & Fire Services. It was a day-long program and the NCC Cadets were taught Disaster Risk Reduction Techniques.
- Mutual Fire Practice with Indian Army at MES: it was held at Masimpur Army Compound along with DDMA, SDRF & Fire Services. Here the drill was to examine the resources that were available and also to understand the status of equipment of the rescue agencies.



STATE-LEVEL MEGA MOCK DRILL



State Level Mega Mock Drill was conducted in Cachar District. The drill was conducted in five different locations in the town i.e. Unnayan Bhawan of D.C's Office, Silchar Medical College Administrative Building, Goldighi Municipal Mall, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Tarapur, and Don Bosco H. S. School Silchar. A relief camp was set up at Tarun Ram Phukan H. S. School where Child-Friendly Space was also set up. To treat all the victims of these five incident drills site, many renowned Hospitals in this town were also included in this mega drill. The hospitals that have participated include Silchar Medical College & Hospital, S.M. Dev Civil Hospital, Mediland Hospital, South City Hospital, Valley Hospital, and Green Heals Hospital. Some other places that were used are Police Parade Ground as the Staging Area, DEOC as EFS & Incident Command Post, and some tents were also placed at the incident sites for medical aid camps, etc.

This was an earthquake mock drill that was done based on an earthquake scenario provided by the state authorities. The drill was a joint collaborative effort of various agencies that include state forces like Assam Police, SDRF, APRO and central agencies like the Indian Army, BSF, CRPF, NCC & Others. Various Departments like Silchar Municipal Board, PHE, PWD, DIPRO, and others have also participated.

On the day before the drill, a tabletop exercise was also conducted through Video Conference with state authorities. Various meetings were also held like district-level Department meetings, Hospital awareness meetings, NGO volunteer sensitization meetings, and other coordination meetings. In each of the incident sites, pre-event awareness programs were also conducted. This was a mega drill where various teams from various agencies, and organizations participated. Around 1000 numbers of participants were part of this drill and a huge gathering of local people was there to witness such a huge event.

All these Mock Drills were jointly conducted by DDMA, NDRF, SDRF, and F&ESS & Police. These drills were conducted with a motive to strengthen the people to face any sort of disaster.

2018

DDMA, Cachar conducted a series of Awareness Program cum Mock Drill in collaboration with District Legal Services Authority, Cachar & NDRF Silchar Team at DNNK HS Silchar, Silchar, Narsing HS School, Silchar, Adharchand H.S School, Silchar, Borkhola Bazar M.E School, Borkhola, Dolu Garden L.P School, Dolu.

- Mock Drill cum DM Awareness Program
 - at Silchar Medical College & Hospital, Ghungoor,
 - at S.M Dev Civil Hospital, Hospital Road, Silchar
- Fire cum Earthquake Mock Drill
 - at CG Foods Manufacturing Pvt. Ltd, at Dumurghat, Udharbond
 - at Katigorah Model Hospital

2019

- Mock Drill cum DM Awareness Program at Kalain CHC
- Mock drill at Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Memorial School, Bariknagar under Katigorah Revenue Circle
- Mock exercise at Bihara Railway Station under ARM, BDP where a situation was given of train derailment.
- An off-site mock drill was jointly conducted by IOCL, LPG bottling plant and DDMA Cachar at IOCL Bottling plant, Borkhola.



2020

- Mock-drill on leakage of LPG at filling bay was conducted by IOCL Borkhola Bottling plant. The Mock-drill was attended by BSF, SDRF Tarapur, Vishal Chakraborty FO (DM) and Debajit Hazarika FE(DEOC) as representatives from DDMA, Cachar.
- ONGC, Srikona in collaboration with DDMA, Cachar, conducted a Mock-Drill at an exploration site situated at Boroitoli Village under Katigorah Revenue Circle and in this connection, a sensitisation meeting was held today with all the members of ONGC along with representatives from other Participating agencies at the Concerned Drill Site.
- The off-site Fire Mock drill was conducted by IOCL, Ramnagar Depot in collaboration with DDMA, Cachar. Joint Director of Health Services, Assam Rifles, F&ES, SDRF, Assam Police, Traffic Police & AAPDA MITRA volunteers also participated. The Mock drill started at 12noon and continued till 2pm .To complete the overall drill followed by a Lesson Learnt Session in presence of Chief Depot Manager IOCL, Ramnagar, DDMA Officials and all the participating deptt./agencies. Leaflets on Do's & Don't s of Fire were also distributed among the local people.
- 2nd Phase AMRUT CITY (2019-20) Disaster Management Exhibition & Mock Drill programme schools under Silchar urban area start



2021

- Fire mock drill was conducted at ONGCs installation South Banskandi, GCS, Dhanehari, Sonai Revenue Circle which was organized by ONGC in collaboration with DDMA, Cachar. In the said mock drill all other agencies like NDRF, F& ES, Health dept., Police and Aapda Mitra volunteers were also involved who actively participated in the drill.
- Fire Mock Drill cum Awareness Program was organised by Fire & Emergency Services, Assam at Silchar Medical College & Hospital in collaboration with DDMA, SMCH, Air Force, ONGC, and AssamPolice.
- Fire mock drill was organised by DDMA, Cachar at SM Dev Civil Hospital, Silchar in collaboration with F&ES, Silchar, ONGC, Srikona, Police and Civil Hospital Authority. It was participated by all stakeholders and was followed by a Lesson Learnt Session.
- Two days Flood Mockdrill organized by DDMA, Cachar in joint collaboration with ASDMA and 1st BN NDRF at Chekarcham FV under Sonai Revenue Circle, Cachar. A total of 250 persons including departmental staff were present in the Inaugural session and Tabletop exercise.

AWARENESS DRIVE

Awareness drives were initiated by DDMA Cachar in collaboration with NDRF. It was conducted in all five Revenue Circles of the district. The week-long program had wide sets of awareness events.

2018

- DM Awareness-cum- Familiarization Exercise at Kashipur Udharbond at DIET Udharbond
- DM Awareness-cum- Familiarization Exercise at Kabuganj Sonai College
- DM Awareness-cum- Familiarization Exercise at Kalain
- DM Awareness-cum- Familiarization Exercise at S.M. Dev Junior College
- DM Awareness-cum- Familiarization Exercise at Silchar GC College

2019

- DM Awareness-cum- Familiarization Exercise at Chaitanya School, Gossaipur in Udharbondh Revenue Circle
- DM Awareness-cum- Familiarization Exercise at Shirajul Ali Higher Secondary School, Ranighat in Katigorah Revenue Circle
- DM Awareness-cum- Familiarization Exercise at Lalit Jain Commerce College, Meherpur Silchar Polytechnic Public High School, Rangirkhari in Silchar Revenue Circle
- DM Awareness-cum- Familiarization Exercise at Kabuganj College, Sonai in Sonai Revenue Circle
- DM Awareness-cum- Familiarization Exercise at Sribar High School, Lakhipur in Lakhipur Revenue Circle

GP-EMEx

The Gram Panchayat Level Emergency Management Exercise (GP-EMEx) is one of the flagship programs of DDMA & ASDMA, Govt. of Assam which is being conducted in all GPs of the District. The program is a four-phased program organized in four different quarters of the year. Out of the four phases, two phases of GP-EMEx have been successfully conducted and concluded.





1st Phase of GP-EMEx:

The first program of GP-EMEx was held where 163 GPs of the Cachar District. The GP-EMEx is large-scale disaster management and disaster risk reduction program which includes various activities like tree plantation, street play, awareness speech, awareness mock drills, various competitions with the children, procession/rally, and other awareness activities. The theme was focused on plantations.

2nd Phase of GP-EMEx:

The second program of GP-EMEx was held where approximately 48,557 participants participated. The activities were all similar to the first one. The theme of the second GP-EMEx was "Zero Casualty" and it also focussed on awareness to be spread on deaths caused by electrocution.

The two accomplished GP-EMEx have till now been able to aware a total of approximately 90,000 people. The program was also able to catch a wide range of media coverage all around the district and the state.

3rd Phase of GP-EMEx:

The third program of GP-EMEx was held where 163 numbers of GPs in the Cachar District. The GP-EMEx is a large-scale Community Level Disaster Preparedness and Disaster Risk Reduction Program which includes various activities like tree plantation, street play, awareness speech, awareness mock drills, various competitions with the children, procession/rally, and other awareness activities.

4th Phase of GP-EMEx:

In the fourth and last program of GP-EMEx, the activities were all similar to the previous one. It was also focused on the theme "Zero Casualty" during the disaster in the District. These two last accomplished GP-EMEx have now been able to aware a total of approximately 80,000 community members in the Villages. The program was also able to catch a wide range of media coverage all around the district and the state.

TRAININGS

Capacity building (or capacity development) is the process by which individuals and organizations obtain, improve, and retain the skills, knowledge, tools, equipment, and other resources needed to do their jobs competently or to a greater capacity, and training is the action of undertaking a course of exercise for a sporting instance. Here in Disaster Management, these are of immense importance and they help in increasing our human resource aspect in dealing with any sort of disaster.



2017

- Volunteers Training on Search & Rescue - volunteers training on search and rescue was organized by DDMA along with SDRF & Fire Service at BHSS, Conference Hall, Near Jyoti Kala Kendra. It was a two-day long program and almost 100 volunteers were trained.
- Two days District-level training program for Doctors, Paramedics, and Response Force at S.M.C.H – At the training hall of SMCH, a team of Doctors and paramedical staff were given training on Disaster Management and Response Actions. RPs from the Academy of Trauma, Guwahati conducted the same.
- Two days orientation program for circle level Resource persons regarding reinforcement training of VLMCC members. - the master trainers of VLMCC members' training imparted the two-day training to Circle Level trainers for conducting the 2nd phase of VLMCC members training at DDMA, DEOC conference room.
- Awareness Programme at NYK and KVK- DDMA with Nehru Yuva Kendra, Cachar Organised a DM awareness program and Mock Drill at Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Arunachal, Cachar
- Training of volunteers at NATRIP by NDRF- volunteers training of members from various NGOs/SHGs from Udharbond Revenue Circle was organized at NATRIP, Udharbond. The training was jointly executed by DDMA and NDRF Team stationed at Silchar. Around 50 volunteers who work at various disaster-related works at the community level were given training on DM.

2018

DDMA Cachar has undertaken various training and capacity-building programs. The details of the program are as follows:-

- Training, DM awareness & demonstration program conducted among 200 NCC Cadet Camp at Masimpur, Military Station, Silchar
- Volunteers Training and Awareness program for GP-EMEx III & IV for around 300 volunteers
- DM Awareness & Demonstration program at NCC Camp, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Ground, Assam University.
- Training and awareness program at Apartments: - An earthquake and fire awareness program was conducted in 31 nos. of Apartments/flats/Malls in Silchar Town in Cachar District Here all the Apartments dwellers were made aware of how to deal with disasters and discussed and demonstrate various techniques of search & rescue as a first responder. This program was conducted by the DDMA; Cachar in collaboration with SDRF/F & ESS, Silchar. In all the Apartments, people have participated wholeheartedly with a wish to know more about disaster management and to be disaster prepare



2019

DDMA Cachar has undertaken various training and capacity-building programs. The details of these are as follows:-

- Training, DM awareness & demonstration program conducted among 200 NCC Cadets at Masimpur Military Station, Silchar
- An awareness program on DM was conducted at Assam University for NCC Cadets
- An awareness program on DM was conducted along with the NDRF team in Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Poilapool for an ongoing NCC Camp
- DM awareness program & search Rescue technique training was conducted at Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Poilapool NCC Camp

Apart from this DDMA, Cachar in joint collaboration with the State Institute Of Panchayat And Rural Development has conducted sequential awareness program for almost all its batches from all the five Revenue Circle for Gaon Panchayat Level elected members

- **TRAINING ON SCHOOL FOCAL POINT TEACHERS ON FIRST AID AND LIFE-SAVING SKILLS UNDER CACHAR DISTRICT** - 2 - days of Training On School Focal Point Teachers On First Aid And Life Saving Skills were organized by District Disaster Management Authority, Cachar with the help of Indian Red Cross Society, where they worked as Resource Persons for this training. This program was organized with the help of BEEOs of the concerned Educational Block where various aspects were looked after by them. The program was held for Silchar Education Block, Salchapra Educational Block, Udharbond Educational Block, Katigorah Education Block, Sonai Education Block, Narsingpur Education Block, Lakhipur Education Block, Rajabazar Education Block where innovative safety techniques were taught to all the participants. The Main mission behind the training was to spread safety awareness to all the teachers. Various topics which were discussed in this training program were first aid, bandaging, CPR, Fracture, etc. The teachers participated actively during the training session and were able to gain much knowledge through practical sessions as well.



- **TRAINING OF SCHOOL FOCAL POINT TEACHERS HEADMASTERS & PRINCIPALS ON SCHOOL SAFETY UNDER NSSP IN CACHAR DISTRICT** - 2days of Training on school focal point teachers, Headmasters & Principals of Schools Under NSSP were organized by District Disaster Management Authority, Cachar with the help of Lecturers from DIET, Silchar, where they worked as Resource Persons for this training. Innovative safety techniques were taught to all the participants. The Main mission behind the training was to spread safety awareness to all the teachers. Various topics which were discussed in this training program were first aid, Child-Friendly Spaces, DRR Road map, School Safety Policy, Relief Camp Management, Right To Education, DM Act, etc. The head teachers participated actively during the training session and were able to gain much knowledge through practical fire safety sessions as well. Teachers from 50 different schools were trained and designated as School Focal Point Teachers.

- **TRAINING OF POLICE PERSONNEL ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND TRAUMA MANAGEMENT UNDER CACHAR DISTRICT** - 3 - days of Training Of Police Personnel On Disaster Management and Trauma Management was organized by the District Disaster Management Authority, Cachar with the help of NDRF, where they worked as Resource Persons for this training. Innovative safety techniques were taught to all the participants. 40 nos. Police personnel were trained in the program. The Main mission behind the training was to give specialized training to police personnel. Various topics which were discussed in this training program were first aid, CPR, Fire Safety, preparation of floating aids, earthquakes do's and don'ts, dead body management, etc. The participants participated actively during the training session and were able to gain much knowledge through practical sessions as well.



- **TRAINING OF MINISTERIAL STAFFS** - District Disaster Management Authority(DDMA), Cachar Organized 4days of Ministerial Staff Training. 20189 on Disaster Management where mainly Ministerial Staffs were targeted. In this training program Knowledge on different aspects of Disaster Management, and norms in connection to Disaster Management were imparted to the participants with the help of Resource Persons associated with DDMA, Cachar. Moreover, Knowledge of First-Aid and Safety Measures necessary in case of any emergency were also imparted to participants. In this training program, a total of 153 staff from various departments were trained, and at the end, they were provided with a certificate also.

2020

- One-day virtual orientation cum online training program of INDIA DISASTER RESOURCE NETWORK(IDRN) by FO(DM) Sadar along with Information Assistant, DDMA Cachar & DIO, NIC. Hosted by NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT. Agenda: usage of the new portal and updating of resources available with various line departments/agencies both govt./private. Training on resource sharing with DDMA and updation by DIO appointed by NIC as per the direction of Maj Gen Manoj Kr. Bindal, Executive Director, NIDM GOI.
- One day online IRS Training and Table Top Exercise (TTE) for earthquakes was held at NIC VC room.

2021

- The training session was organized and conducted today at Silchar Medical College and Hospital by DDMA Cachar on various rescue techniques, handling of Fire fighting equipment and other immediate life-saving techniques. The training was imparted to all sections of staff including Doctors and Paramedics by officials from NDRF and Fire and Emergency services
- Master Trainers Training program at Silchar for FA-R (First Aid and Rural Health) basics organized by 4RSD- Kritika- Humedica, Bnglr, (NGO) in collaboration with DDMA, Cachar, Assam at Hotel Ellora, Silchar.
- Training Program on Disaster Management for Factory Employees. Venue: C.G Foods, Udharbond. Training Program on Disaster Management was organized for the staff/workers of C.G Foods, Dumurghat, Udharbond in collaboration with the 1st BN NDRF Team. Around 60-70 staff/workers attended the training. Practical Demonstration with hands-on training was given to all the staff/workers on Fire Safety & First Aid. Moreover, situation-based response techniques were also demonstrated.



MEETINGS, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINAR

Various meetings, workshops and seminars are organised by the District Disaster Management Authority, Cachar

2017

- Learning Workshop on Value Added Services of School Safety - a one-day workshop on value-added services in School Safety was organized at DRDA Conference Hall, Silchar. School teachers from various schools were present.
- Workshop at Assam University, Silchar - a detailed workshop on the topic of “Role of Academia on Resilience Building of Children in Disaster Situation of Barak Valley. There were many academicians from this valley and even from abroad who discussed and highlighted various points regarding safeguarding children and caring about them during any sort of disaster.
- Workshop at B.Ed. College- a workshop was organized at B.Ed. College, Silchar. A detailed presentation on Disaster Management and DDMA, Cachar was presented by the Officers of DDMA. Apart from the theoretical aspect, a live demonstration was also conducted by NDRF. The number of participants in this program was around 200 nos. of Trainee School Teachers which included teachers and other community members also.
- Orientation Programme of Boatman on Boat Safety: DDMA organised an orientation program for boat safety and 30 nos. of boatmen of the IWT Department participated in the Programme.



- Meeting with ACT team regarding Climate Resilient Flood Management for Barak basin – at DEOC Conference Hall, Silchar - a meeting was held with ACT team regarding Climate Resilient Flood Management. The focus was on the Barak Basin and this was also followed by a field survey of 3-4 days along with representatives from DDMA.
- Second meeting followed with ACT-CCIP Team regarding Climate Resilient Flood Management Plans at the Circuit House Conference Hall, Silchar. The meeting was attended by heads of various concerned departments together with field study for further improvement.

- Sensitization meeting at Hotel Kalpataru Conference Hall, Silchar - a sensitization meeting on the Disaster Preparedness aspect was conducted at Kalpataru Hotel, Silchar. This was a joint initiative of DDMA, Cachar & NDRF Team where all staff of the Hotel was trained.
- Workshop on Disaster Preparedness for People with Disability at AMSA House Conference Hall - a workshop on Disaster Preparedness was conducted at AMSA House Conference Hall, Silchar. 70 Nos. of participants (i.e. PWDs) from different parts of the district attended the program. The workshop was a unique initiative for that year as no other workshop was earlier conducted focusing on the people who are disabled.
- Workshop on Earthquake Risk Mitigation for Builders, Developers and Contractors - a workshop was conducted on Earthquake Risk Mitigation. This workshop was attended by all Builders, Developers, Contractors, Practicing Engineers, etc. of Silchar Town. Around 80 participants were present. This workshop was also followed by a field visit the next day, where topics discussed in theory were taught in practice.
- Workshop on Incident Response System - a Half-Day Basics and Intermediate Course on Incident Response System for District Incident Response Team and Nodal Officers of line Department was conducted in Circuit House Conference Hall, Silchar. Around 50 participants were present and a detailed discussion and explanation were done on IRS Functioning by Resource Persons of the District.
- A one-day workshop on the preparation of VLUP & VDMP - a full-day workshop was organized on the preparation of the Village Land Use Plan (VLUP) & Village Disaster Management Plan (VDMP). A detailed session was taken by ADC/Circle Officers, DPO, and Field Officers on various topics related to documentation. Apart from this other topics like VLMCC re-constitution and GIS Data mapping were also discussed. In this meeting, various participants from five different Revenue Circles were present which included Circle Staffs, VLMCC members and others. All Nodal Officers from all concerned line Departments were also present.



- Workshop on earthquake disaster management (EQDM)- This was a five-day workshop at NIT Silchar. The workshop was inaugurated by dignitaries from different esteemed educational institutions in order to set up a centre of excellence for capacity building for earthquake construction technology in joint collaboration with ASDMA.
- Meeting regarding CFS (Child-Friendly Space) - Meetings with all relief camps in charge and DEEO/BEEOs were held in all Revenue Circle regarding CFS (Child-Friendly Space) to be set up in Relief Camp during any Disaster.
- Meeting on Relief Camp Management - Meetings with all relief camp in-charge, line departments, and Circle Officers were held in all Revenue Circle regarding Relief Camp Management during any Disaster.
- A half-day workshop on DM plan preparation for industry and factories - Workshop was conducted at Circuit House, Silchar. Factory and industry heads from 40 different places were present. Discussions on various DM-related aspects were undertaken. Some important aspects like submission of the DM Plan, organizing on-site & off-site mock drills from time to time, etc were discussed in detail.
- A half-day workshop on GO-NGO coordination - This program was organized by DDMA, Cachar to spread awareness and knowledge on various aspects of disaster management. In this program, various aspects related to the disaster in these organizations were discussed along with the roles of NGOs during, before and after disasters. The Main mission behind them was to spread safety awareness to all and to emphasize the involvement of NGOs in DM activities. A total of 80 participants were present.
- Workshop on ERSRT - This workshop was on ERSRT, an initiative of ASDMA. The workshop was conducted at NIT Silchar. Dignitaries from NIT Silchar inaugurated the training program and delivered lectures on scheduled subjects. Participants from different departments also attended the same.



- Half Day workshop on "Role of Media on Disaster Management" was organized by DDMA, Cachar with the media fraternity of Silchar. DPO DDMA had also taken a session on "Disaster Response & Relief". A session was also taken on different norms of DM followed by an interactive session with all the media persons where they put forward their views and suggestions. Overall 38 nos. of persons attended the workshop and they appreciated DDMA Cachar for taking such initiative.
- Half Day workshop on "IRS & preparation of DM Plan" was organized by DDMA, Cachar with all the heads of the department of Cachar District. The first session was taken by DPO DDMA on "Disaster Response & Relief" and the other two guests took an advanced session on IRS. Overall 44nos. of persons attended the workshop and this was a refresher session for them on IRS.
- A two-day sensitization meeting on the Roles & Responsibilities of SK & LM in the Pre, During & Post Disaster Phase was conducted by DDMA, Cachar at Hindi Bhawan, Silchar with overall 105 nos. Sk's & LM's from 5 different Revenue Circles of Cachar district.
- A two-day workshop on "Adaptation to extreme weather events" was inaugurated in Cachar. Various sessions related to climate change were taken by Professors from Assam University, Silchar. After all the sessions and a group exercise were also conducted. The participants for this workshop were from various Dept/segments of society who participated wholeheartedly in all the sessions.
- At the Municipality Board Conference Hall, Lakhipur, Circle Disaster Management Committee (CDMC) Meeting in connection with Disaster Management & Flood Preparedness of Lakhipur Revenue Circle & Udharbondh Revenue Circle was conducted. Field Officer cum convener, CDMC was also present in the meeting.
- Circle Disaster Management Committee (CDMC) Meeting in connection with the Disaster Management & Flood Preparedness of Silchar Sadar Revenue Circle, Katigorah Circle Office, Sonai Circle Office was conducted. This meeting was conducted by Field Officer(DM) under the guidance of respective Circle Officers.



- Workshop on NSSP started in Cachar District where three days training of School Focal point teachers and two days training of engineers on RVs and Non-Structural Mitigation was conducted. Total of 55 teachers from 55 different schools and 40 engineers from different departments attended.
- Meeting in regards to the Constitution of Ward Disaster Management Committee (WDMC). Ward no: 01Municipal Board: Silchar Municipal Board(SMB). Participants: around 106(as per attendance sheet). The awareness program, first-aid program with Mock drill, and WDMC meeting had been successfully conducted in Ward no. 01 under Silchar Municipal Board(SMB) in presence of the Ward Commissioner, ward members and other notified people of that locality. Along with Aapda Mitra Volunteer, Silchar around 106 residents of that area had participated in Mock Drill along with the COVID-19 awareness program which was taken up by the SDRF Team Silchar and Medical Officers.
- CDMC meeting was conducted at the Office Chamber of the Circle Officer, Sonai, Silchar Sadar, Katigorah in connection with Disaster Preparedness.
- A Circle level Disaster Management Committee meeting in connection with the Storm and Flood Preparedness for 2021 had been conducted with all line departments of Lakhipur Revenue Circle in the Lakhipur Municipality Board Conference Hall at Lakhipur Revenue Circle.
- The circle Level Task Force meeting was conducted at the Office Chamber of the Circle Officer, Sonai Revenue Circle, Katigorah Revenue Circle, Lakhipur Revenue Circle with all members. The meeting was conducted on Roles & Responsibilities, Flood preparedness, reporting of disaster, Ex Gratia proposal, RG proposal, Departmental SDRF scheme proposal, etc. The meeting was chaired by respective Circle Officers.
- An Inter-Agency Leadership Workshop under the 4RSDP Project was conducted at Ellora Hotel, Silchar, Cachar by a Global NGO named Humedica under the aegis of DDMA, Cachar. The participants were mostly NGOs, Hospitals, Schools, Retired Army Personnel & others. The workshop had presentations from DDMA, Cachar & Humedica along with interactive sessions with all the participants' presence. This workshop was followed by the Master Trainers Training Program with a motive to build and add to the existing Emergency Response Network of this district.



SCHOOL SAFETY INITIATIVES

Each time a disaster occurs children miss school and many never return. Past experiences and available evidence suggest that learning in schools is among the hardest hit along with other sectors in the event of disasters. Cases like fire accidents, threats of road injuries or accidents and stampedes are man-made hazards that make schools more vulnerable. Schools located in urban and rural areas do have different sets of vulnerabilities as the nature of hazards and potential threats are different.

There is one common threat between urban and rural schools which is the lack of a culture of safety in schools to have minimum standards/measures to protect students, teachers, learning materials and property from any natural or human-made hazard. The culture of safety in schools deal with issues like child's right, education and DRR policies, institutions, governance, resource allocation, disaster preparedness and family inclusion within the framework of the internal and external environment of the school to reduce the impact of any possible threats to children. The framework of the culture of safety in school moves around a child's right to uninterrupted continuous education, a child's right to safe environment. The concept of school safety in its current form includes safety issues both inside and outside the school. It includes issues of child protection and safety that look at all forms of violence and deprivation that affect physical and mental well-being of children. School Safety is a concept that encompasses "the creation of safe environments for children restarting from their homes to their schools and back.



DDMA along with NDRF and SDRF had organised various school safety and Disaster Risk Reduction Programmes. The objective of the programme was to create a culture of Disaster Preparedness among school children and provide hands-on training to children and teachers.

2017

- DDMA organised a DM awareness programme and Mock Drill at Girls NCC Camp in Irongmara High School (Near Assam University)
- DDMA along with NDRF organised Disaster Risk Reduction Programme and Mock Drill at Biplobi Ullashkar Vidya Bhawan School, Silchar, Cachar. The program not only included school students but also people from places located nearby the school.

2018

Various programs that DDMA, Cachar completed at the School level in the year 2018 are as follows:

- Sunrise High School, Pailapool & Emmanuel English School, Pailapool under Lakhipur Revenue Circle
- Ideal Public School, Katigorah
- Abid Raja High School, Sonai
- Y. S. Memorial High School, Ramnagar, Silchar
- JNV Pailapool
- Saint Capitanio Sr. Secondary School
- Salgonga Kalachand Ashram School, Udharbond
- Sarbodaya High School
- Daffodils English School
- Oriental English High School, Silchar
- Cachar High School Malugram Cachar
- Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya (Tarapur)
- Normal School, Silchar

2019

A Child Centric DRR. AMRUT City Program was conducted in a total of 162 schools in four different phases. Various schools where awareness programs were conducted by DDMA, Cachar at the School level are as follows:-



NAME OF SCHOOLS WHERE MOCK DRILLS HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED	CATEGORY OF SCHOOL (GOVT/PRI VA TE/GOV T. AIDED ETC)	TOTAL NO OF PARTICIP ANTS IN THE PROGRA ME	PROGRAMME CONDUCTED BY DDMA IN COLLABORATION WITH
SRI SRI RADHA RAMAN GOSWAMI HIGH SCHOOL	Govt	260	1ST BN NDRF
MALUGRAM GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL	Govt	162	1ST BN NDRF
CACHAR HIGH SCHOOL	Govt	230	1ST BN NDRF
SUBASH NAGAR PRIMARY SCHOOL	Govt	150	SDRF CACHAR
NETAJI BIDYA BHAWAN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL	Govt	189	SDRF CACHAR
GOVT BOYS H.S.SCHOOL	Govt	250	1ST BN NDRF
ITKHOLA HINDI PATHSALA	Govt	73	SDRF CACHAR
SARBODAYA HIGH SCHOOL	Govt	160	1ST BN NDRF
D.B.T.R PHOOKAN H.S. SCHOOL	Govt	87	SDRF CACHAR
RAMANUJ GUPTA JUNIOR COLLEGE	Govt	387	1ST BN NDRF
TARAPUR GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL	Govt	456	1ST BN NDRF
RAMANUJ VIDYA MANDIR	Private	450	1ST BN NDRF
RAM KUMAR NANDI LPS	Govt	282	SDRF CACHAR
JANIGANJ PATHSALA	Govt	250	SDRF CACHAR
SHYAMACHARAN DEV VIDYAPITH	Govt	198	SDRF CACHAR
15 JOY KUMAR BALIKA VIDYALAYA	Govt	35	SDRF CACHAR
D B T R P GOVT MES	Govt	167	SDRF CACHAR
UKIL BAZAR MAKTAB	Govt	162	SDRF CACHAR
DURGASANKAR PATHSALA	Govt	175	SDRF CACHAR
TARANI MOHAN DAS LASKAR HIGH SCHOOL	Govt	282	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
KULODA SUNDARI PATHSALA	Govt	37	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR

SRI SRI RADHA ROMON GOSWAMI MES	Govt	255	SDRF CACHAR
M.M.BALIKA VIDYANIKATAN HIGH SCHOOL	Govt	730	SDRF CACHAR
TARAPUR GIRLS MES	Govt	62	SDRF CACHAR
POLICE VIDYAPITH	Govt	160	SDRF CACHAR
585 TIKARBASTI L.P.SCHOOL	Govt	280	SDRF CACHAR
BISWESWAR PATHSALA	Govt	148	1ST BN NDRF SDRF CACHAR
GOPINATH HORAKISHORE DEB VIDYANATH	Govt	194	SDRF CACHAR
SARBADAYA PATHSALA	Govt	62	SDRF CACHAR
VIR TIKENDRAJIT MES	Govt	57	SDRF CACHAR
674 DAS COLONY PATHSALA	Govt	282	1ST BN NDRF SDRF CACHAR
SREE RAMKRISHNA VIDYAMANDIR	Govt	280	SDRF CACHAR
MALUGRAM GIRLS MES	Govt	132	1ST BN NDRF SDRF CACHAR
D.N.N.K.GIRLS H.S.SCHOOL	Govt	282	SDRF CACHAR
GOVT.GIRLS H.S.&M.P.SCHOOL	Govt	300	SDRF CACHAR
VIR TEKENDRAJIT HIGH SCHOOL	Govt	175	SDRF CACHAR
GHARBARAN AMARCHAND PREMODAMOYEE HIGH SCHOOL	Govt	442	SDRF CACHAR
DAFFODILS SCHOOLS	PRIVATE	78	SDRF CACHAR
KRISHNAPUR PATHSALA SILCHAR	Govt	60	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
PANCHANAN SHIBBARI LP SCHOOL	Govt	22	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
BIPIN CHANDRA DAS ADASHA PATHSALA	Govt	30	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
DEVI PRASAD LP SCHOOL	Govt	26	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
CHHOTELAL SETH INSTITUTE	Govt	189	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
GHARBARAN HIGH SCHOOL	Govt	247	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
MOHAMAYA LP SCHOOL	Govt	43	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
RADHAMADHAB JR BASIC SCHOOL	Govt	55	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
PUBLIC HS SCHOOL	Govt	347	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
HAZI KERAMOTULLA PATHSALA	Govt	27	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
PULIN BEHARI LP SCHOOL	Govt	32	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR
SHIB COLONY PRIMARY SCHOOL	Govt	56	SDRF TEAM SILCHAR

PEER GROUPS TRAINING ON DISASTER SAFETY TECHNIQUES UNDER NSSP

2019

As per the direction of ASDMA under the National Students Safety Policy (NSSP) 3-day Peer group training on Disaster Safety Techniques was organized by the District Disaster Management Authority, Cachar with the help of the Civil Defense Team. The program was held on & from 5th Aug 2019 where innovative safety techniques were taught to all the participants, Students were targeted in the training program as they can play a key role in spreading awareness to all about precautions to be taken in any emergency situation, dealing with all humanitarian aspects In particular emergencies, preparedness, response and recovery in order to lessen the impact of disasters. The main objective behind the training was to make students aware of different kinds of Disasters be it Man-Made or Natural and the techniques that should be adopted in order to save lives during Disasters. Usage of different kinds of safety equipment was also shown during the training session. The students participated actively during the training session and on completion of the training, certificates were given.

INSPECTION OF SCHOOL

2018

12.1. Joint Inspection at Holy Cross School:

A joint inspection was carried out in Holy Cross H. S. School, Silchar to check the School Disaster Preparedness as per National School Safety Guidelines-2016. The team who inspected consisted of Inspector 1st BN NDRF, AE PWD Building, in charge of Fire Station Silchar and Field Officer (DM).

Joint Inspection at Holy Child School.

A joint inspection was carried out in Holy Child High School, Silchar to check the School Disaster Preparedness as per National School Safety Guidelines 2016. The team who inspected consists of Inspector 1st BN NDRF, AE PWD Building, in charge of Fire Station Silchar and Field Officer (DM).



GREAT ASSAM SCHOOL SHAKEOUT PROGRAM

2019

The Great Assam School Shakeout was one of the widespread flagship activities of ASDMA which was conducted in collaboration with DDMA, Cachar. Here in Cachar District 100 schools were selected and the same program was conducted altogether in all these schools. The event included a drill where an imaginary earthquake situation was created & the students & staff of the concerned schools were to protect themselves with drop cover hold exercises from any kind of injury because of the imaginary destruction caused by the earthquake. This earthquake situation was sketched at 11 am on 17th August 2019. Here all 15 schools performed a drop cover hold and post that the students & teachers who participated in the event assembled in the emergency assembly point and then the safety check of students was done. There were one or two exhibition venues in each Revenue Circle. All other schools also actively participated in this exhibition, community participation was also seen there and the overall event was a successful one.

Prior to this event Circle, Wise Co-ordination meeting was organised and details are as following

Name of Revenue Circle	Education Block	Venue
Udharbond Revenue Circle	Udharbond Education Block	B.E.E.O Office, Udharbond
Silchar Sadar Revenue Circle	Silchar Urban Education Block	Circuit House, Silchar
	Salchapra	B.E.E.O Office, Salchapra
Sonai Revenue Circle	Sonai Education Block	B.E.E.O Office, Sonai
	Narsingpur Education Block	B.E.E.O Office, Narsingpur
Lakhipur Revenue Circle	Rajabazar Education Block	Conference hall, Lakhipur Municipal Board
	Lakhipur Education Block	Conference hall, Lakhipur Municipal Board
Katigorah Revenue Circle	Katigorah Education Block	B.E.E.O Office, Katigorah

The Coordination meeting was conducted in the presence of concerned B.E.E.O along with CRCCs, and all head-teachers of the participating schools by the concerned Field Officer(Disaster Management) of that particular Revenue Circle. In the meeting all about the drill was discussed in detail and necessary formats of reporting, action plan, guidelines, etc were handed over to respective school head teachers.

A WhatsApp group was also immediately formed after the meeting so that constant monitoring and reporting of work can be done. In this meeting, a discussion was also held on the importance of such drills, and teachers were advised to perform drop-cover-hold as an integral activity of their school curriculum from time to time, so as to remain better prepared. They were also instructed to permanently construct a board/signage in an open area of their school and name it an Emergency Assembly Point so that the students get a fair idea of what needs to be done if such havoc occurs. For each of the revenue Circles, different venues were selected and each of the activities was performed thereon.

- a) First Aid Practices performed by Students & Teachers
- b) Drop Cover Hold Exercise performed by Students & Teachers
- c) Formation of Stretchers by local Innovative resources by Students
- d) Formation of Disaster Safety Task Force.

Details of venue Education Block wise is as following

Education Block	Exhibition Venue
Udharbond Education Block	Practicing Govt. Senior Basic School
Salchapra Block Education Block	Zilkadar Ali High School, Balighat
Silchar Urban Education Block	Borakhai High School , Fakirtila
Kalain Education Block	Siddheswar Higher Secondary School. Kalain Higher Secondary School.
Sonai education Block	NityoGopal H.S. School
Narsingpur education block	B.N.M.P. H.S. School
Lakhipur & Rajabazar Education Block	Earle Higher Secondary School

The exhibition was a joint effort of DDMA, Cachar, and Fire Station of respective revenue circles. Here all equipment, banner,s, and other items related to disaster management were displayed at the exhibition venue. A demonstration about various items displayed was also undertaken by Fire Station In-charge with his team about the usage of that equipment to the students, staff & others coming from the schools who participated in the said event .

MAINSTREAMING STAKEHOLDERS

DRR ACTIVITIES IN ASSOCIATION WITH NGOs

2017

- Safety drill at Netaji School – a mock drill was organized by DDMA along with an NGO. The program not only included school students but also people from places located nearby the school. The NGO had done various such programs in different schools in this district under the name "Prostuti-e-Biporjoye-Mukabilar-Hatiyaar". A large number of students, local people, and others were trained and taught about how to deal with basic disasters that might take place. Similar drills & awareness programs were conducted in many other schools also by the collaboration of the NGO along with DDMA, Cachar and it will be continued also. The total program conducted by DDMA, Cachar & Chotto Prochesta this year is 10 (Ten).

2018

- Community level Disaster Preparedness program at Rajubari LP School, Borjalenga GP
- Community level Disaster Preparedness at Borjalenga Pioneer Sangha Community Hall
- Awareness Programme on Health Hazards in Borjalenga Pt-III
- Disaster Management Awareness program at Cachar College
- DM awareness Program, Sensitization meeting cum demonstration on Disaster Management was organized at DIET Meeting Hall, Udharbond.

2019

- Disaster Management Awareness program in RCBP High School, Joypur, Lakhipur
- Disaster Management Awareness program & demonstration on fire safety, and search Rescue techniques were conducted at Romonibala L.P. School, Sonai Revenue Circle
- Disaster Management Awareness program & demonstration on fire safety and search Rescue technique was conducted at Bihara M.E. School
- Disaster Management Awareness program & demonstration on fire safety, and search Rescue techniques at Irongmara High School
- Disaster Management Awareness program & demonstration on fire safety, and search Rescue techniques at Tarun Ram Phukan H.S. School, Silchar
- Awareness program cum fire demonstration at Subhash Nagar, Silchar - Agranee Club

PRA EXERCISE FOR COMMUNITY STRENGTHENING

PRA (Participatory Rural Appraisal) had been organized and conducted in various GPs of the five-revenue circle of Cachar District. Here a detailed mapping of that GP is being made keeping in factor all such places/objects which are most vulnerable during a disaster or are of immense importance during any sort of disaster. In each of the PRA Exercises, the overall mapping was done in the presence of the GP President & Secretary, Ward Members, ASHA & Anganwadi workers, community people, and DDMA's Officers along with field staff of line Departments.

The mapping was done on a large sheet of paper and this was then documented for future reference. In many of the PRA exercises, a small projection of safety and rescue techniques was also displayed by NDRF. The NDRF program generally included all the people who were involved in mapping along with another set of around 100 community people.

AAPDA MITRA

AAPDA MITRA is one of the flagship programs of ASDMA which had been conducted in joint collaboration with DDMA. Here 50 participants from each district are trained in a detailed way by NDRF on all aspects of Disaster Management at an advanced level. This was basically a 12-day residential program and after the conclusion, each of the participants was presented with certificates. Cachar district was given the responsibility to train not only participants from its own district but also from neighbouring districts like Karimganj, Hailakandi, Dima Hasao & Karbi Anglong. The entire program was conducted in four different batches of 50 participants and the first training was conducted at NIT Silchar campus. The remaining took place at Assam University. The training program was inaugurated by ADC cum CEO, DDMA, Cachar in presence of Inspector NDRF, DPO DDMA Cachar, and at the end of this training some talented trained minds came up. four batches of training.



URBAN RISK REDUCTION PRACTICES

To minimize disaster risk in urban areas, DDMA Cachar had carried out several practices.

2017

- Two Days Workshop on SLRM - a workshop was organised on Solid and Liquid Resource Management at District Library Auditorium, Silchar. Almost 500 volunteers participated from various corners of the District. The programme was jointly organised by the DDMA, Cachar and PHE Department. This is an initiative for mainstreaming the DRR into the “Swaccha Bharat Mission”.
- 10 (Ten) Days SLRM Workshop cum Training- 10 days SLRM Workshop cum Training programme was conducted by the DDMA, Cachar & PHED and it was held at District Library Auditorium, Silchar. Almost 350 nos. of volunteers of this District were trained and the certificate of participation was issued.
- Inauguration of Door to Door Collection of MSW- the inauguration of DTDC of Municipal Solid Waste started in the New Silchar area as part of the Clean Silchar Initiative of Silchar Municipal & DDMA, Cachar. Huge number of participants who appreciated this step.



**Visit of Govt of Officials and Subject Experts from NIT, Silchar and Assam University
Silchar in various vulnerable stretches of the city**

- Eviction & de-siltation in the natural canal of the Town: - the eviction & de-siltation programme was started by the DDMA, SMB and Water Resource Department, and Silchar Division as a part of the mitigation of Urban Flood &
- Water logging issues of Silchar Town and the Deputy Commissioner cum Chairman, DDMA, Cachar along with the team of DDMA regularly visited the places and monitored the progress of the work.

- De-siltation of Town drainage:-An inspection was done in the water-logged areas of Silchar Town to understand the root cause behind it and come up with a solution which could be put in front of the concerned authorities. Maximum nos. of Town drainages were silted and incomplete and the DDMA, Cachar in collaboration with SMB & WRD, Silchar Division started the de-siltation of Town drainages in the most affected areas viz. NH Point, Ambicapatty, Silchar.
- Highest flood level survey - a survey on the HFL in the Cachar District was conducted by DDMA along with the Water Resource Department, Silchar Division and it was decided as per the Advisories issued by the NDMA, Govt. of India & ASDMA, Govt. of Assam that the marking of the Highest Flood Level is necessary and it's implemented based on last HFL 21.84M in the year 1089. sudden and expanded water logging took place all around Silchar Town. To combat these situations the DDMA, Cachar had to stay on high alert and coordinated with all concerned Departments to avoid any sort of casualties.



SUCCESS STORIES



AAPDA MITRA VOLUNTEERS IN BHUBHAN PAHAR RESCUE OPERATION

15 Aapda Mitra Volunteers, 4 no. Of DDMA Officials along with Police and Civil Defense personnel went up the Bhubanhill to rescue more than 80,000 devotees who assembled on the occasion of Shiva Ratri and were stuck near Hatubanga area, Bhubanhill. Moreover, a devotee named Biswajit Das S/o Intu Das of the Kachudaram area was also rescued by AAPDA MITRA & DDMA officials from Nil Kantha Cave who fell down 200ft under the cave and stuck over there, he was brought down by making an improvised stretcher and handed over to the family members in Pani Chowki area in the Bhubanhill and shifted for further medical treatment.



AAPDA MITRA VOLUNTEERS IN COVID

Aapda Mitra volunteers generate awareness amongst the public regarding COVID-19, but some also became good samaritans. After three of her family members tested positive for COVID-19, the house in Sonai, Assam, was declared a containment zone. As she breathed her last on July 11, there was nobody to conduct the last rites. Field Officer, Sonai Revenue Circle informed the Aapda Mitra Volunteers. Few among them knew how to handle the burial as per the Standard Operating Procedure and volunteered to enter the containment zone to conduct the last rites.



**AAPDA MITRA VOLUNTEERS ARE SERVING COMMUNITY WITH
UTMOST SINCERITY AND DEDICATION**

ACHIEVEMENTS



Flood Preparedness SCORE CARD initiated by ASDMA for evaluating the state of preparedness by the District. Cachar District achieved 2nd position. Deputy Commissioner, Smt Keerti Jalli received a memento from the Honourable Chief minister of Assam.



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