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The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 23rd December, 2005 and is hereby published for general information:—

THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2005

No. 53 of 2005

[23rd December, 2005.]

An Act to provide for the effective management of disasters and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Fifty-sixth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

CHAPTER I

PRELIMINARY

1. (I) This Act may be called the Disaster Management Act, 2005.

Short title, extent and commencement.

- (2) It extends to the whole of India.
- (3) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification

in the Official Gazette appoint; and different dates may be appointed for different provisions of this Act and for different States, and any reference to commencement in any provision of this Act in relation to any State shall be construed as a reference to the commencement of that provision in that State.

Definitions.

- 2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, -
 - (a) "affected area" means an area or part of the country affected by a disaster;
 - (b) "capacity-building" includes -
 - (i) identification of existing resources and resources to be acquired or created;
 - (ii) acquiring or creating resources identified under sub-clause (i).
 - (iii) organisation and training of personnel and coordination of such training for effective management of disasters;
- (c) "Central Government" means the Ministry or Department of the Government of India having administrative control of disaster management;
- (d) "disaster" means a catastrophe, mishap, calamity or grave occurrence in any area, arising from natural or man made causes, or by accident or negligence which results in substantial loss of life or human suffering or damage to, and destruction of, property, or damage to, or degradation of, environment, and is of such a nature or magnitude as to be beyond the coping capacity of the community of the affected area;
- (e) "disaster management" means a continuous and integrated process of planning, organising, coordinating and implementing measures which are necessary or expedient for
 - (i) prevention of danger or threat of any disaster;
 - (ii) mitigation or reduction of risk of any disaster or its severity or consequences;
 - (iii) capacity-building;
 - (iv) preparedness to deal with any disaster;
 - (v) prompt response to any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
 - (vi) assessing the severity or magnitude of effects of any disaster;
 - (vii) evacuation, rescue and relief;
 - (viii) rehabilitation and reconstruction;
- (f) "District Authority" means the District Disaster Management Authority constituted under sub-section (1) of section 25;
- (g) "District Plan" means the plan for disaster management for the district prepared under section 31;

- (h) "local authority" includes panchayati raj institutions, municipalities, a district board, cantonment board, town planning authority or Zila Parishad or any other body or authority, by whatever name called, for the time being invested by law, for rendering essential services or, with the control and management of civic services, within a specified local area:
- (i) "mitigation" means measures aimed at reducing the risk, impact or effects of a disaster or threatening disaster situation;
- (j) "National Authority" means the National Disaster Management Authority established under sub-section (1) of section 3;
- (k) "National Executive Committee" means the Executive Committee of the National Authority constituted under sub-section (1) of section 8:
- (I) "National Plan" means the plan for disaster management for the whole of the country prepared under section 11;
- (m) "preparedness" means the state of readiness to deal with a threatening disaster situation or disaster and the effects thereof:
 - (n) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules made under this Act;
- (o) "reconstruction" means construction or restoration of any property after a disaster:
 - (p) "resources" includes manpower, services, materials and provisions;
- (q) "State Authority" means the State Disaster Management Authority established under sub-section (1) of section 14 and includes the Disaster Management Authority for the Union territory constituted under the section;
- (r) "State Executive Committee" means the Executive Committee of a State Authority constituted under sub-section (1) of section 20;
- (s) "State Government" means the Department of Government of the State having administrative control of disaster management and includes Administrator of the Union territory appointed by the President under article 239 of the Constitution;
- (t) "State Plan" means the plan for disaster management for the whole of the State prepared under section 23.

CHAPTER II

THE NATIONAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

3. (I) With effect from such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Establishment of Official Gazette appoint in this behalf, there shall be established for the purposes of this Act, an authority to be known as the National Disaster Management Authority.

National Disaster Management Au-

(2) The National Authority shall consist of the Chairperson and such number of other members, not exceeding nine, as may be prescribed by the Central Government and, unless the rules otherwise provide, the National Authority shall consist of the following:-

- (a) the Prime Minister of India, who shall be the Chairperson of the National Authority, ex officio;
- (b) other members, not exceeding nine, to be nominated by the Chairperson of the National Authority.
- (3) The Chairperson of the National Authority may designate one of the members nominated under clause (b) of sub-section (2) to be the Vice-Chairperson of the National Authority.
- (4.) The term of office and conditions of service of members of the National Authority shall be such as may be prescribed.

Meetings of National Authority.

- 4. (1) The National Authority shall meet as and when necessary and at such time and place as the Chairperson of the National Authority may think fit.
- (2) The Chairperson of the National Authority shall preside over the meetings of the National Authority.
- (3) If for any reason the Chairperson of the National Authority is unable to attend any meeting of the National Authority, the Vice-Chairperson of the National Authority shall preside over the meeting.

Appointment of officers and other employees of the National Authority.

Power and functions of National

Authority

- 5. The Central Government shall provide the National Authority with such officers, consultants and employees, as it considers necessary for carrying out the functions of the National Authority.
- 6. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the National Authority shall have the responsibility for laying down the policies, plans and guidelines for disaster management for ensuring timely and effective response to disaster.
- (2) Without prejudice to generality of the provisions contained in sub-section (i), the National Authority may
 - (a) lay sown policies on disaster management;
 - (b) approve the National Plan;
 - (c) approve plans prepared by the Ministries or Departments of the Government of India is accordance with the National Plan;
 - (d) lay down guidelines to be followed by the State Authorities in drawing up the State Plan;
 - (e) lay down guidelines to be followed by the different Minister of Departments of the Government of India for the purpose of integrating the measures or prevention of disaster or the mitigation of its effects in their development plans and projects;
 - (f) coordinate the enforcement and implementation of the policy and plan for disaster management;

- (g) recommend provision of funds for the purpose of mitigation;
- (h) provide such support to other coountries affected by major disasters as may be determined by the Central Government;
- (i) take such other measures for the prevention of disaster, or the mitigation, or preparedness and capacity building for dealing with the threatening disaster situation or disaster as it may consider necessary;
- (j) lay down broad policies and guidelines for the functioning of the National Institute of Disaster Management.
- (3) The Chairperson of the National Authority shall, in the case of emergency, have power to exercise all or any of the powers of the National Authority but exercise of such powers shall be subject to ex post facto ratification by the National Authority.
- 7. (1) The National Authority may constitute an advisory committee consisting of experts in the field of disaster management and having practical experience of disaster management at the national, State or district level to make recommendations on different aspects of disaster management.

Constitution of advisory committee by National Authority.

- (2) The members of the advisory committee shall be paid such allowances as may be prescribed by the Central Government in consultation with the National Authority.
- 8. (1) The Central Government shall, immediately after issue of nofitication under sub-section (1) of section 3, constitute a National Executive Committee to assist the National Authority in the performance of its functions under this Act.

Constitution of National Executive Committee

- (2) The National Executive Committee shall consist of the following members, namely:-
- (a) the Secretary to the Government of India in charge of the Ministry or Department of the Central Government having administrative control of the disaster management, who shall be Chairperson, ex officio;
- (b) the Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministers or Departments having administrative control of the agriculture, atomic energy, defence, drinking water supply, environment and forests, finance (expenditure), health, power, rural development, science and technology, space, telecommunication, urban development, water resources and the Chief of the Integrated Defence Staff of the Chiefs of Staff Committee, ex officio.
- (3) The Chairperson of the National Executive Committee may invite any other officer of the Central Government or a State Government for taking part in any meeting of the National Executive Committee and shall exercise such powers and perform such functions as may be prescribed by the Central Government in consultation with the National Authority.
- (4) The procedure to be followed by the National Executive Committee in exercise of its powers and discharge of its functions shall be such as may be prescribed by the Central Government.
- 9. (1) The National Executive Committee may, as and when it considers necessary, Constitution of constitute one or more sub-committees, for the efficient discharge of its functions.

sub-committees

- (2) The National Executive Committee shall, from amongst its members, appoint the Chairperson of the sub-committee referred to in sub-section (1).
- (3) Any Person associated as an expert with any sub-committee may be paid such allowances as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

Powers and functions of National Executive Committee.

- 10. (1) The National Executive Committee shall assist the National Authority in the discharge of its functions and have the responsibility for implementing the policies and plans of the National Authority and ensure the compliance of directions issued by the Central Government for the purpose of disaster management in the country.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions contained in sub-section (1), the National Executive Committee may—
 - (a) act the coordinating and monitoring body for disaster management;
 - (b) prepare the National Plan to be approved by the National Authority;
 - (c) coordinate and monitor the implementation of the National Policy;
 - (d) lay down guidelines for preparing disaster management plans by different Ministers or Departments of the Government of India and the State Authorities;
 - (e) provide necessary technical assistance to the State Governments and the State Authorities for preparing their disaster management plans in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the National Authority;
 - (f) monitor the implementation of the National Plan and the plans prepared by the Ministries or Departments of the Government of India;
 - (g) monitor the implementation of the guidelines laid down by the National Authority for integrating of measures for prevention of disasters and mitigation by the Ministries or Departments in their development plans and projects;
 - (h) monitor, coordinate and give directions regarding the mitigation and preparedness measures to be taken by different Ministries or Departments and agencies of the Government;
 - (i) evaluate the preparedness at all governmental levels for the purpose of responding to any threatening disaster situation or disaster and give directions, where necessary, for enhancing such preparedness;
 - (j) plan and coordinate specialised training programme for disaster management for different levels of officers, employees and voluntary rescue workers:
 - (k) coordinate response in the event of any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
 - (I) lay down guidelines for, or give directions to, the concerned Ministers or Departments of the Government of India, the State Governments and the State Authorities regarding measures to be taken by them in response to any threatening disaster situation or disaster;

- (m) require any department or agency of the Government to make available to the National Authority or State Authorities such men or material resources as are available with it for the purposes of emergency response, rescue and relief;
- (n) advise, assist and coordinate the activities of the Ministers or Departments of the Government of India, State Authorities, statutory bodies, other governmental or non-governmental organisations and others engaged in disaster management;
- (o) provide necessary technical assistance or give advice to the State Authorities and District Authorities for carrying out their functions under this Act;
- (p) promote general education and awareness in relation to disaster management; and
- (q) perform such other functions as the National Authority may require it to perform.
- 11. (1) There shall be drawn up a plan for disaster management for the whole of the country to be called the National Plan.

National Plan.

- (2) The National Plan shall be prepared by the National Executive Committee having regard to the National Policy and in consultation with the State Governments and expert bodies or organisations in the field of disaster management to be approved by the National Authority.
 - (3) The National Plan shall include-
 - (a) measures to be taken for the prevention of disasters, or the mitigation or their effects;
 - (b) measures to be taken for the integration of mitigation measures in the development plans;
 - (c) measures to be taken for preparedness and capacity building to effectively respond to any threatening disaster situations or disaster;
 - (d) roles and responsibilities of different Ministries or Departments of the Government of India in respect of measures specified in clauses (a), (b) and (c).
 - (4) The National Plan shall be reviewed and updated annually.
- (5) Appropriate provisions shall be made by the Central Government for financing the measures to be carried out under the National Plan.
- (6) Copies of the National Plan referred to in sub-sections (2) and (4) shall be made available to the Ministries or Departments of the Government of India and such Ministries or Departments shall draw up their own plans in accordance with the National Plan.
- 12. The National Authority shall recommend guidelines for the minimum standards or Guidelines for relief to be provides to persons affected by disaster, which shall include,-

standards of relief

(i) the minimum requirements to be provided in the relief camps in relation

to shelter, food, drinking water, medical cover and sanitation;

- (ii) the special provisions to be made for widows and orphans;
- (iii) ex gratia assistance on account of loss of life as also assistance on account of damage to houses and for restoration of means of livelihood;
 - (iv) such other relief as may be necessary.

Relief in loan repayment, etc.

13. The National Authority may, in cases of disasters of severe magnitude, recommend relief in repayment of loans or for grant of fresh loans to the persons affected by disaster on such concessional terms as may be appropriate.

CHAPTER III

STATE DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES

Establishment of State Disaster Management Authority.

- 14. (1) Every State Government shall, as soon as may be after the issue of the notification under sub-section (1) of section 3, by notification in the Official Gazette, establish a State Disaster Management Authority for the State with such name as may be specified in the notification of the State Government.
- (2) A State Authority shall consist of the Chairperson and such number of other members, not exceeding nine, as may be prescribed by the State Government and, unless the rules otherwise provide, the State Authority shall consist of the following members, namely:—
 - (a) the Chief Minister of the State, who shall be Chairperson, ex officio;
 - (b) other members, not exceeding eight, to be nominated by the Chairperson of the State Authority;
 - (c) the Chairperson of the State Executive Committee, ex officio.
- (3) The Chairperson of the State Authority may designate one of the members nominated under clause (b) of sub-section (2) to be the Vice-Chairperson of the State Authority.
- (4) The Chairperson of the state Executive Committee shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the State Authority, *ex officio*:

Provide that in the case of Union territory having Legislative Assembly, except the Union territory of Delhi, the Chief Minister shall be the Chairperson of the Authority established under this section and in case of other Union territories, the Lieutenant Governor or the Administrator shall be the Chairperson of that Authority:

Provided further that the Lieutenant Governor of the Union territory of Delhi shall be the Chairperson and the Chief Minister thereof shall be the Vice-Chairperson of the State Authority.

- (5) The term of office and conditions of service of members of the State Authority shall be such as may be prescribed.
 - 15. (1) The State Authority shall meet as and when necessary and at such time and

place as the Chairperson of the State Authority may think fit.

Meeting of the State Authoirty.

- (2) The Chairperson of the State Authority shall preside over the meetings of the State Authority.
- (3) If for any reason, the Chairperson of the State Authority is unable to attend the meeting of the State Authority, the Vice-Chairperson of the State Authority shall preside at the meeting.
- 16. The State Government shall provide the State Authority with such officers, consultants and employees, as it considers necessary, for carrying out the functions of the State Authority.

Appointment of officers and other employees of State Authority.

17. (1) A State Authority may, as and when it considers necessary, constitute an advisory committee, consisting of experts in the field of disaster management and having practical experience of disaster management to make recommendations on different aspects of disaster management.

Constitution of advisory committee by the State Authority.

- (2) The members of the advisory committee shall be paid such allowances as may be prescribed by the State Government.
- 18. (1) Subject to the provision of this Act, a State Authority shall have the responsibility for laying down policies and plans for disaster management in the State.

Powers and functions of State Authority.

- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of provisions contained in sub-section (1), the State Authority may—
 - (a) lay down the State disaster management policy;
 - (b) approve the State Plan in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the National Authority;
 - (c) approve the disaster management plans prepared by the departments of the Government of the State:
 - (d) lay down guidelines to be followed by the departments of the Government of the State for the purposes of integration of measures of prevention of disasters and mitigation in their development plans and projects and provide necessary technical assistance therefor;
 - (e) coordinate the implementation of the State Plan;
 - (f) recommend provision of funds for mitigation and preparedness measures;
 - (g) review the development plans of the different departments of the State and ensure that prevention and mitigation measures are integrated therein;
 - (h) review the measures being taken for mitigation, capacity building and preparedness by the departments of the Government of the State and issue such guidelines as may be necessary.

(3) The Chairperson of the State Authority shall, in the case of emergency, have power to exercise all or any of the powers of the State Authority but the exercise of such powers shall be subject to *ex post facto* ratification of the state Authority.

Guidelines for minimum standard of relief by State Authority. 19. The State Authority shall lay down detailed guidelines for providing standards of relief to persons affected by disaster in the State:

Constitution of State Executive

Committee.

- Provided that such standards shall in no case be less than the minimum standards in the guidelines laid down by the National Authority in this regard.
- 20. (1) The State Government shall, immediately after issue of notification under sub-section (1) of section 14, constitute a State Executive Committee to assist the State Authority in the performance of its functions and to coordinate action in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the State Authority and ensure the compliance of directions issued by the State Government under this Act.
 - (2) The State Executive Committee shall consist of the following members, namely:-
 - (a) the Chief Secretary to the State Government, who shall be Chairperson, ex officio:
 - (b) four Secretaries to the Government of the State of such departments as the State Government may think fit, ex officio.
- (3) The Chairperson of the State Executive Committee shall exercise such powers and perform such functions as may be prescribed by the State Government and such other powers and functions as may be delegated to him by the State Authority.
- (4) The procedure to be followed by the State Executive Committee in exercise of its powers and discharge of its functions shall be such as may be prescribed by the State Government.

Constitution of sub-committees by State Executive Committee.

- 21. (1) The State Executive Committee may, as and when it considers necessary, constitute one or more sub-committees, for efficient discharge of its functions.
- (2) The State Executive Committee shall, from amongst its members, appoint the Chairperson of the sub-committee referred to in sub-section (1).
- (3) Any person associated as an expert with any sub-committee may be paid such allowances as may be prescribed by the State Government.

Functions of the State Executive Committee.

- 22. (1) The State Executive Committee shall have the responsibility for implementing the National Plan and State Plan and act as the coordinating and monitoring body for management of disaster in the State.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of sub-section (1), the State Executive Committee may—
 - (a) coordinate and monitor the implementation of the National Policy, the National Plan and the State Plan;
 - (b) examine the vulnerability of different parts of the State to different forms of disasters and specify measures to be taken for their prevention or mitigation;

- (c) lay down guidelines for preparation of disaster management plans by the departments of the Government of the State and the District Authorities;
- (d) monitor the implementation of disaster management plans prepared by the departments of the Government of the State and District Authorities;
- (e) monitor the implementation of the guidelines laid down by the State Authority for integrating of measures for prevention of disasters and mitigation by the departments in their development plans and projects;
- (f) evaluate preparedness at all governmental or non governmental levels to respond to any threatening disaster situation or disaster and give directions, where necessary, for enhancing such preparedness;
- (g) coordinate response in the event of any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
- (h) give directions to any Department of the Government of the State or any other authority or body in the State regarding actions to be taken in response to any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
- (i) promote general education, awareness and community training in regard to the forms of disasters to which different parts of the State are vulnerable and the measures that may be taken by such community to prevent the disaster, mitigate and respond to such disaster;
- (j) advise, assist and coordinate the activities of the Departments of the Government of the State, District Authorities, statutory bodies and other governmental and non-governmental organisations engaged in disaster management;
- (k) provide necessary technical assistance or give advice to District Authorities and local authorities for carrying out their functions effectively;
- (I) advise the State Government regarding all financial matters in relation to disaster management;
- (m) examine the construction, in any local area in the State and, if it is of the opinion that the standards laid for such construction for the prevention of disaster is not being or has not been followed, may direct the District Authority or the local authority, as the case may be, to take such action as may be necessary to secure compliance of such standards;
- (n) provide information to the National Authority relating to different aspects of disaster management;
- (o) lay down, review and update State level response plans and guidelines and ensure that the district level plans are prepared, reviewed and updated;
- (p) ensure that communication systems are in order and the disaster management drills are carried out periodically;
- (q) perform such other functions as may be assigned to it by the State Authority or as it may consider necessary.

State Plan

- 23. (1) There shall be a plan for disaster management for every State to be called the State Disaster Management Plan.
- (2) The State Plan shall be prepared by the State Executive Committee having regard to the guidelines laid down by the National Authority and after such consultation with local authorities, district authorities and the people's representatives as the State Executive Committee may deem fit.
- (3) The State Plan prepared by the State Executive Committee under sub-section (2) shall be approved by the State Authority.
 - (4) The State Plan shall include,
 - (a) the vulnerability of different parts of the State to different forms of disasters;
 - (b) the measures to be adopted for prevention and mitigation of disasters;
 - (c) the manner in which the mitigation measures shall be integrated with the development plans and projects;
 - (d) the capacity-building and preparedness measures to be taken;
 - (e) the roles and responsibilities of each Department of the Government of the State in relation to the measures specified in clauses (b), (c) and (d) above;
 - (f) the roles and responsibilities of different Departments of the Government of the State in responding to any threatening disaster situation or disaster.
 - (5) The State Plan shall be reviewed and updated annually.
- (6) Appropriate provisions shall be made by the State Government for financing for the measures to be carried out under the State Plan.
- (7) Copies of the State Plan referred to in sub-sections (2) and (5) shall be made available to the Departments of the Government of the State and such Departments shall draw up their own plans in accordance with the State Plan.
- 24. For the purpose of, assisting and protecting the community affected by disaster or providing relief to such community or, preventing or combating disruption or dealing with the effects of any threatening disaster situation, the State Executive Committee may
 - (a) control and restrict, vehicular traffic to, from or within, the vulnerable or affected area;
 - (b) control and restrict the entry of any person into, his movement within and departure from, a vulnerable or affected area;
 - (c) remove debris, conduct search and carry out rescue operations;
 - (d) provide shelter, food, drinking water, essential provisions, healthcare and services in accordance with the standards laid down by the National Authority and State Authority;
 - (e) give direction to the concerned Department of the Government of the State, any District Authority, or other authority, within the local limits of the State to

Powers and functions of State Executive Committee in the event of threatening disaster situation.

take such measure or steps for rescue, evacuation or providing immediate relief saving lives or property, as may be necessary in its opinion;

- (f) require any department of the Government of the State or any other body or authority or person in charge of any relevant resources to make available the resources for the purposes of emergency response, rescue and relief;
- (g) require experts and consultants in the field of disasters to provide advice and assistance for rescue and relief;
- (h) procure exclusive or preferential use of amenities from any authority or person as and when required;
- (i) construct temporary bridges or other necessary structures and demolish unsafe structures which may be hazardous to public;
- (j) ensure that non-governmental organisations carry out their activities in an equitable and non-discriminatory manner;
- (k) disseminate information to public to deal with any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
- (I) take such steps as the Central Government or the State Government may direct in this regard or take such other steps as are required or warranted by the form of any threatening disaster situation or disaster.

CHAPTER IV

DISTRICT DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

25. (1) Every State Government shall, as soon as may be after issue of notification Constitution of under sub-section (1) of section 14, by notification in the Official Gazette, establish a District Disaster Management Authority for every district in the State with such name as may be specified in that notification.

District Disaster Management Authority.

- (2) The District Authority shall consist of the Chairperson and such number of other members, not exceeding seven, as may be prescribed by the State Government, and unless the rules otherwise provide, it shall consist of the following, namely:-
 - (a) the Collector or District Magistrate or Deputy Commissioner, as the case may be, of the district who shall be Chairperson, ex officio;
 - (b) the elected representative of the local authority who shall be the co-Chairperson, ex officio:

Provided that in the Tribal Areas, as referred to in the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution, the Chief Executive Member of the district council of autonomous district, shall be the co-Chairperson, ex officio;

- (c) the Chief Executive Officer of the District Authority, ex officio;
- (d) the Superintendent of Police, ex officio;
- (e) the Chief Medical Officer of the district, ex officio;

(f) not exceeding two other district level officers, to be appointed by the State Government

- (3) In any district where zila parishad exists, the Chairperson thereof shall be the co-Chairperson of the District Authority.
- (4) The State Government shall appoint an officer not below the rank of Additional Collector or Additional District Magistrate or Additional Deputy Commissioner, as the case may be, of the district to be the Chief Executive Officer of the District Authority to exercise such powers and perform such functions as may be prescribed by the State Government and such other powers and functions as may be delegated to him by the District Authority.

Powers of Chairperson of District Authority.

- 26. (1) The Chairperson of the District Authority shall, in addition to presiding over the meetings of the District Authority, exercise and discharge such powers and functions of the District Authority as the District Authority may delegate to him.
- (2) The Chairperson of the District Authority shall, in the case of an emergency, have power to exercise all or any of the powers of the District Authority but the exercise of such powers shall be subject to *ex post facto* ratification of the District Authority.
- (3) The District Authority or the Chairperson of the District Authority may, by general or special order, in writing, delegate such of its or his powers and functions, under subsection (1) or (2), as the case may be, to the Chief Executive Officer of the District Authority, subject to such conditions and limitations, if any, as it or he deems fit.

Meetings

27. The District Authority shall meet as and when necessary and at such time and place as the Chairperson may think fit.

Constitution of advisory committees and other committees.

- 28. (1) The District Authority may, as and when it considers necessary, constitute one or more advisory committees and other committees for the efficient discharge of its functions.
- (2) The District Authority shall, from amongst its members, appoint the Chairperson of the Committee referred to in sub-section (1).
- (3) Any person associated as an expert with any committee or sub-committee constituted under sub-section (1) may be paid such allowances as may be prescribed by the State Government.

Appointment of officers and other employees of District Authority.

29. The State Government shall provide the District Authority with such officers, consultants and other employees as it considers necessary for carrying out the functions of District Authority.

Powers and functions of District Authority.

- 30. (1) The District Authority shall act as the district planning, coordinating and implementing body for disaster management and take all measures for the purposes of disaster management in the district in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the National Authority and the State Authority.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of sub-section (1), the District Authority may

- (i) prepare a disaster management plan including district response plan for the district;
- (ii) coordinate and monitor the implementation of the National Policy, State Policy, National Plan, State Plan and District Plan;
- (iii) ensure that the areas in the district vulnerable to disasters are identified and measures for the prevention of disasters and the mitigation of its effects are undertaken by the departments of the Government at the district level as well as by the local authorities;
- (iv) ensure that the guidelines for prevention of disasters, mitigation of its effects, preparedness and response measures as laid down by the National Authority and the State Authority are followed by all departments of the Government at the district level and the local authorities in the district;
- (v) give directions to different authorities at the district level and local authorities to take such other measures for the prevention or mitigation of disasters as may be necessary;
- (vi) lay down guidelines for prevention of disaster management plans by the department of the Government at the districts level and local authorities in the district;
- (vii) monitor the implementation of disaster management plans prepared by the Departments of the Government at the district level;
- (viii) lay down guidelines to be followed by the Departments of the Government at the district level for purposes of integration of measures for prevention of disasters and mitigation in their development plans and projects and provide necessary technical assistance therefor;
 - (ix) monitor the implementation of measures referred to in clause (viii);
- (x) review the state of capabilities for responding to any disaster or threatening disaster situation in the district and give directions to the relevant departments or authorities at the district level for their upgradation as may be necessary;
- (xi) review the preparedness measures and give directions to the concerned departments at the district level or other concerned authorities where necessary for bringing the preparedness measures to the levels required for responding effectively to any disaster or threatening disaster situation;
- (xii) organise and coordinate specialised training programmes for different levels of officers, employees and voluntary rescue workers in the district;
- (xiii) facilitate community training and awareness programmes for prevention of disaster or mitigation with the support of local authorities, governmental and nongovernmental organisations;
- (xiv) set up, maintain, review and upgrade the mechanism for early warnings and dissemination of proper information to public;
 - (xv) prepare, review and update district level response plan and guidelines;

(xvi) coordinate response to any threatening disaster situation or disaster;

(xvii) ensure that the Departments of the Government at the district level and the local authorities prepare their response plans in accordance with the district response plan;

(xviii) lay down guidelines for, or give direction to, the concerned Department of the Government at the district level or any other authorities within the local limits of the district to take measures to respond effectively to any threatening disaster situation or disaster;

(xix) advise, assist and coordinate the activities of the Departments of the Government at the district level, statutory bodies and other governmental and non governmental organisations in the district engaged in the disaster management;

(xx) coordinate with, and give guidelines to, local authorities in the district to ensure that measures for the prevention or mitigation of threatening disaster situation or disaster in the district are carried out promptly and effectively;

(xxi) provide necessary technical assistance or give advise to the local authorities in the district for carrying out their functions;

(xxii) review development plans prepared by the Departments of the Government at the district level, statutory authorities or local authorities with a view to make necessary provisions therein for prevention of disaster or mitigation;

(xxiii) examine the construction in any area in the district and, if it is of the opinion that the standards for the prevention of disaster or mitigation laid down for such construction is not being or has not been followed, may direct the concerned authority to take such action as may be necessary to secure compliance of such standards;

(xxiv) identify buildings and places which could, in the event of any threatening disaster situation or disaster, be used as relief centers or camps and make arrangements for water supply and sanitation in such buildings or places;

(xxv) establish stockpiles of relief and rescue materials or enure preparedness to make such materials available at a short notice;

(xxvi) provide information to the State Authority relating to different aspects of disaster management;

(xxvii) encourage the involvement of non-governmental organisations and voluntary social-welfare institutions working at the grassroots level in the district for disaster management;

(xxviii) ensure communication systems are in order, and disaster management drills are carried out periodically;

(xxix) perform such other functions as the State Government or State Authority may assign to it or as it deems necessary for disaster management in the District.

- 31. (1) There shall be a plan for disaster management for every district of the State.
- District Plan.
- (2) The District Plan shall be prepared by the District Authority, after consultation with the local authorities and having regard to the National Plan and the State Plan, to be approved by the State Authority.
 - (3) The District Plan shall include-
 - (a) the areas in the district vulnerable to different forms of disasters;
 - (b) the measures to be taken, for prevention and mitigation of disaster, by the Departments of the Government at the district level and local authorities in the district;
 - (c) the capacity-building and preparedness measures required to be taken by the Departments of the Government at the district .level and the local authorities in the district to respond to any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
 - (d) the response plans and procedures, in the event of a disaster, providing for
 - (i) allocation of responsibilities to the Departments of the Government at the district level and the local authorities in the district;
 - (ii) prompt response to disaster and relief thereof;
 - (iii) procurement of essential resources;
 - (iv) establishment of communication links; and
 - (v) the dissemination of information to the public;
 - (e) such other matters as may be required by the State Authority. (4) The District Plan shall be reviewed and updated annually.
- (5) The copies of the District Plan referred to in sub-sections (2) and (4) shall be made available to the Departments of the Government in the district.
- (6) The District Authority shall send a copy of the District Plan to the State Authority which shall forward it to the State Government.
- (7) The District Authority shall, review from time to time, the implementation of the Plan and issue such instructions to different departments of the Government in the district as it may deem necessary for the implementation thereof.
- 32. Every office of the Government of India and of the State Government at the district level and the local authorities shall, subject to the supervision of the District Authority,
 - (a) prepare a disaster management plan setting out the following, namely:
 - (i) provisions for prevention and mitigation measures as provided for in the District Plan and as is assigned to the department or agency concerned;
 - (ii) provisions for taking measures relating to capacity-building and preparedness as laid down in the District Plan;
 - (iii) the response plans and procedures, in the event of, any threatening

Plans by different authorities at district level and their implementation disaster situation or disaster;

- (b) coordinate the preparation and the implementation of its plan with those of the other organisations at the district level including local authority, communities and other stakeholders;
 - (c) regularly review and update the plan; and
- (d) submit a copy of its disaster management plan, and of any amendment thereto, to the District Authority.

Requisition by the District Authority. 33. The District Authority may by order require any officer or any Department at the district level or any local authority to take such measures for the prevention or mitigation of disaster, or to effectively respond to it, as may be necessary, and such officer or department shall be bound to carry out such order.

Powers and functions of District Authority in the event of any threatening disaster situation or disaster.

- 34. For the purpose of assisting, protecting or providing relief to the community, in response to any threatening disaster situation or disaster, the District Authority may—
 - (a) give directions for the release and use of resources available with any Department of the Government and the local authority in the district;
 - (b) control and restrict vehicular traffic to, from and within, the vulnerable or affected area;
 - (c) control and restrict the entry of any person into, his movement within and departure from, a vulnerable or affected area;
 - (d) remove debris, conduct search and carry out rescue operations;
 - (e) provide shelter, food, drinking water and essential provisions, healthcare and services;
 - (f) establish emergency communication systems in the affected area;
 - (g) make arrangements for the disposal of the unclaimed dead bodies;
 - (h) recommend to any Department of the Government of the State or any authority or body under that Government at the district level to take such measures as are necessary in its opinion;
 - (i) require experts and consultants in the relevant fields to advise and assist as it may deem necessary;
 - (j) procure exclusive or preferential use of amenities from any authority or person;
 - (k) construct temporary bridges or other necessary structures and demolish structures which may be hazardous to public or aggravate the effects of the disaster;
 - (I) ensure that the non-governmental organisations carry out their activities in an equitable and non-discriminatory manner;
 - (m) take such other steps as may be required or warranted to be taken in such a situation.

CHAPTER V

MEASURES BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT

35. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Central Government shall take all Central such measures as it deems necessary or expedient for the purpose of disaster management.

Government to take measures.

- (2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of subsection (1), the measures which the Central Government may take under that sub-section include measures with respect to all or any of the following matters, namely:
 - (a) coordination of actions of the Ministries or Departments of the Government of India, State Governments, National Authority, State Authorities, governmental and non-governmental organisations in relation to disaster management;
 - (b) ensure the integration of measures for prevention of disasters and mitigation by Ministries or Departments of the Government of India into their development plans and projects;
 - (c) ensure appropriate allocation of funds for prevention of disaster, mitigation, capacity-building and preparedness by the Ministries or Departments of the Government of India;
 - (d) ensure that the Ministries or Departments of the Government of India take necessary measures for preparedness to promptly and effectively respond to any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
 - (e) cooperation and assistance to State Governments, as requested by them or otherwise deemed appropriate by it;
 - (j) deployment of naval, military and air forces, other armed forces of the Union or any other civilian personnel as may be required for the purposes of this Act;
 - (g) coordination with the United Nations agencies, international organisations and governments of foreign countries for the purposes of this Act;
 - (h) establish institutions for research, training, and developmental programmes in the field of disaster management;
 - (i) such other matters as it deems necessary or expedient for the purpose of securing effective implementation of the provisions of this Act.
- (3) The Central Government may extend such support to other countries affected by major disaster as it may deem appropriate.
- 36. It shall be the responsibility of every Ministry or Department of the Government of India to-
 - (a) take measures necessary for prevention of disasters, mitigation, preparedness and capacity-building in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the National Authority;

Responsibilities of Ministeries of Departments of Government of India.

- (b) integrate into its development plans and projects, the measures for prevention or mitigation of disasters in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the National Authority;
- (c) respond effectively and promptly to any threatening disaster situation or disaster in accordance with the guidelines of the National Authority or the directions of the National Executive Committee in this behalf;
- (d) review the enactments administered by it, its policies, rules and regulations, with a view to incorporate therein the provisions necessary for prevention of disasters, mitigation or preparedness;
- (e) allocate funds for measures for prevention of disaster, mitigation, capasitybuilding and preparedness;
 - (f) provide assistance to the National Authority and State Governments for-
 - (i) drawing up mitigation, preparedness and response plans, capacitybuilding, data collection and identification and training of personnel in relation to disaster management;
 - (ii) carrying out rescue and relief operations in the affected area;
 - (iii) assessing the damage nom any disaster;
 - (iv) carrying out rehabilitation and reconstruction;
- (g) make available its resources to the National Executive Committee or a State Executive Committee for the purposes of responding promptly and effectively to any threatening disaster situation or disaster, including measures for
 - (i) providing emergency communication in a wlnerable or affected area;
 - (ii) transporting personnel and relief goods to and nom the affected area;
 - (iii) providing evacuation, rescue, temporary shelter or other immediate relief:
 - (iv) setting up temporary bridges; jetties and landing places;
 - (v) providing, drinking water, essential provisions, healthcare, and services in an affected area;
- (h) take such other actions as it may consider necessary for disaster management.
- 37. (1) Every Ministry or Department of the Government of India shall
- (a) prepare a disaster management plan specifying the following particulars, namely:—
 - (i) the measures to be taken by it for prevention and mitigation of disasters in accordance with the National Plan;
 - (ii) the specifications regarding integration of mitigation measures in its

Disaster management plans of Ministries or Departments of Government of India development plans in accordance with the-guidelines of the National Authority and the National Executive Committee;

- (iii) its roles and responsibilities in relation to preparedness and capacity building to deal with any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
- (iv) its roles and responsibilities in regard to promptly and effectively responding to any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
- (v) the present status of its preparedness to perform the roles and responsibilities specified in sub-clauses (iii) and (iv);
- (vi) the measures required to be taken in order to enable it to perform its responsibilities specified in sub-clauses (iii) and (iv);
- (b) review and update annually the plan referred to in clause (a);
- (c) forward a copy of the plan referred to in clause (0) or clause (b), as the case may be, to the Central Government which Government shall forward a copy thereof to the National Authority for its approval.
- (2) Every Ministry or Department of the Government of India shall-
- (a) make, while preparing disaster management plan under clause (a) of subsection (1), provisions for financing the activities specified therein;
- (b) furnish a status report regarding the implementation of the plan referred to in clause (a) of sub-section (1) to the National Authority, as and when required by it.
- 38. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, each State Government shall take all measures specified in the guidelines laid down by the National Authority and such further measures as it deems necessary or expedient, for the purpose of disaster management.

State Government to take measures.

- (2) The measures which the State Government may take under sub-section (1) include measures with respect to all or any of the following matters, namely:
 - (a) coordination of actions of different departments of the Government of the State, the State Authority, District Authorities, local authority and other non governmental organisations;
 - (b) cooperation and assistance in the disaster management to the National Authority and National Executive Committee, the State Authority and the State Executive Committee, and the District Authorities;
 - (c) cooperation with, and assistance to, the Ministries or Departments of the Government of India in disaster management, as requested by them or otherwise deemed appropriate by it;
 - (d) allocation of funds for measures for prevention of disaster, mitigation, capacitybuilding and preparedness by the departments of the Government of the State in accordance with the provisions of the State Plan and the District Plans;
 - (e) ensure that the integration of measures for prevention of disaster or mitigation by the departments of the Government of the State in their development plans and

projects;

- (f) integrate in the State development plan, measures to reduce or mitigate the vulnerability of different parts of the State to different disasters;
- (g) ensure the preparation of disaster management plans by different departments of the State in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the National Authority and the State Authority;
- (h) establishment of adequate warning systems up to the level of vulnerable communities;
- (i) ensure that different departments of the Government of the State and the District Authorities take appropriate preparedness measures;
- (j) ensure that in a threatening disaster situation or disaster, the resources of different departments of the Government of the State are made available to the National Executive Committee or the State Executive Committee or the District Authorities, as the case may be, for the purposes of effective response, rescue and relief in any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
- (k) provide rehabilitation and reconstruction assistance to the ,victims of any disaster; and
- (I) such other matters as it deems necessary or expedient for the purpose of securing effective implementation of provisions of this Act,
- 39. It shall be the responsibility of every department of the Government of a State to-
- (a) take measures necessary for prevention/of disasters, mitigation, preparedness and capacity-building in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the National Authority and the State Authority;
- (b) integrate into its development plans and projects, the measures for prevention of disaster and mitigation;
- (c) allocate funds for prevention of disaster, mitigation, capacity-building and preparedness;
- (d) respond 'effectively and promptly to any threatening disaster situation or disaster in accordance with the State Plan, and in accordance with the guidelines or directions of the National Executive Committee and the State Executive Committee;
- (e) review the enactments administered by it, its policies, rules and regulations with a view to incorporate therein the provisions necessary for prevention of disasters, mitigation or preparedness;
- (f) provide assistance, as required, by the National Executive Committee, the State Executive Committee and District Authorities, for-
 - (i) drawing up mitigation, preparedness and response plans, capacitybuilding, data collection and identification and training of personnel in relation to disaster management;

Responsibilities of departments of the State Government.

- (ii) assessing the damage from any disaster;
- (iii) carrying out rehabilitation and reconstruction;
- (g) make provision for resources in consultation with the State Authority for the implementation of the District Plan by its authorities at the district level;
- (h) make available its resources to the National Executive Committee or the State Executive Committee or the District Authorities for the purposes of responding promptly and effectively to any disaster in the State, including measures for—
 - (i) providing emergency communication with a vulnerable or affected area;
 - (ii) transporting personnel and relief goods to and from the affected area;
 - (iii) providing evacuation, rescue, temporary shelter or other immediate relief,
 - (iv) carrying out evacuation of persons or live-stock from an area of any, threatening disaster situation or disaster;
 - (v) setting up temporary bridges, jetties and landing places;
 - (vi) providing drinking water, essential provisions, healthcare and services in an affected area;
 - (I) such other actions as .may be necessary for disaster management.
- 40. (1) Every department of the State Government, in conformity with the guidelines Disaster manager
 - Disaster management plan of departments of State.
 - (a) prepare a disaster management plan which shall ,lay down the following:-
 - (i) the types of disasters to which different parts of the State are vulnerable;
 - (ii) integration of strategies for the prevention of disaster or the mitigation of its effects or both with the development plans' and programmes by the department;
 - (iii) the roles and responsibilities of the department of the state in the event of any threatening disaster situation or disaster and emergency support function it is required to perform;
 - (iv) present status of its preparedness to perform such roles or responsibilities or emergency support function under sub-clause (iii);
 - (v) the capacity-building and preparedness measures proposed to be put into effect in order to enable the Ministries or Departments of the, Government of India to discharge their responsibilities under section 37;
 - (b) annually review arid update the plan referred to in clause (a); and
 - (c) furnish a copy of the plan referred to in clause (a) or clause (b), as the case may be, to the State Authority.
 - (2) Every department of the State Government, while preparing the plan, under sub-

section (1), shall make provisions for financing the activities specified therein.

(3) Every department of the State Government shall furnish an implementation status report to the State Executive Committee regarding the implementation of the disaster management plan referred to in sub-section (1).

CHAPTER VI

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Functions of the local authority.

- 41. (1) Subject to the directions of the District Authority, a local authority shall-
 - (a) ensure that its officers and employees are trained for disaster management;
- (b) ensure that resources relating to disaster management are so maintained as to be readily available for use in the event of any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
- (c) ensure all construction projects under it or within its jurisdiction conform to the standards and specifications laid down for prevention of disasters and mitigation by the National Authority, State Authority and the District Authority;
- (d) carry out relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction activities in the affected area in accordance with the State Plan and the District Plan.
- (2) The local authority may take such other measures as may be necessary for the disaster management.

CHAPTER VII

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT

National Institute of Disaster Management.

- 42. (1) With effect from such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette appoint in this behalf, there shall be constituted an institute to be called the National Institute of Disaster Management.
- (2) The National Institute of Disaster Management shall consist of such number of members as may be prescribed by the Central Government.
- (3) The term of office of, and vacancies among, members of the National Institute of Disaster Management and manner of filling such vacancies shall be such as may be prescribed.
- (4) There shall be a governing body of the National Institute of Disaster Management which shall be constituted by the Central Government from amongst the members of the National Institute of Disaster Management in such manner as may be prescribed.
- (5) The governing body of the National Institute of Disaster Management shall exercise such powers and discharge such functions as may be prescribed by regulations.
- (6) The procedure to be followed in excercise of its powers and discharge of its functions by the governing body, and the term of office of, and the manner of filling vacancies among the members of the governing body, shall be such as may be prescribed by regulations.

- (7) Until the regulations' are made under this section, the Central Government may make such regulations; and any regulation so made may be altered or rescinded by the National Institute of Disaster Management in exercise of its powers.
- (8) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the National Institute of Disaster Management shall function within the broad policies and guidelines laid down by the National' Authority and be responsible for planning and promoting training and research in the area of disaster management, documentation and development of national level information base relating to disaster management policies, prevention mechanisms and mitigation measures.
- (9) Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions contained in sub-section (8), the National Institute, for the discharge of its functions, may—
 - (a) develop training modules, undertake research and documentation in disaster management and organise training programmes;
 - (b) formulate and implement a comprehensive human resource development plan covering all aspects of disaster management;
 - (c) provide assistance in national level policy formulation;
 - (d) provide required assistance to the training and research institutes for development of training and research programmes for stakeholders including Government functionaries and undertake training off acuity members of the State level training institutes;
 - (e) provide assistance to the State Governments and State training institutes in the formulation of State level policies, strategies, disaster management framework and any other assistance as may be required by the State Governments or State training institutes for capacity-building of stakeholders, Government including its functionaries, civil society members, corporate sector and people's elected representatives;
 - (f) develop educational materials for disaster management including academic and professional courses;
 - (g) promote awareness among stakeholders including college or school teachers and students, technical personnel and others associated with multi-hazard mitigation, preparedness and response measures;
 - (h) undertake, organise and facilitate study courses, conferences, lectures, seminars within and outside the 'country to promote the aforesaid objects;
 - (i) undertake and provide for publication of journals, research papers and books and establish and maintain libraries in furtherance of the aforesaid objects;
 - (j) do all such other lawful things as are conducive or incidental to the attainment of the above objects; and
 - (k) undertake any other function as may be assigned to it by the Central Government.

Officers and other employees of the National Institute.

43. The Central Government shall provide the National Institute of Disaster Management with such officers, consultants and other employees, as it considers necessary, for carrying out its functions.

CHAPTER VIII

NATIONAL DISASTER RESPONSE FORCE

National Disaster Response Force.

- 44. (1) There shall be constituted a National Disaster Response Force for the purpose of specialist response to a threatening disaster situation or disaster.
- (2) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Force shall be constituted in such manner and, the conditions of service of the members of the Force, including disciplinary provisions therefor, be such as may be prescribed.

Control, direction, etc.

45. The general superintendence, direction and control of the Force shall be vested and exercised by the National Authority and the command and supervision of the Force shall vest in an officer to be appointed by the Central Government as the Director General of the National Disaster Response Force.

CHAPTER IX

FINANCE, ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

National Disaster Response Fund.

- 46. (1) The Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, constitute a fund to be called the National Disaster Response Fund for meeting any threatening disaster situation 01' disaster and there shall be credited thereto
 - (a) an amount which the Central Government may, after due appropriation made by Parliament by law in this behalf provide;
 - (b) any grants that flay be made by any person or institution for the purpose of disaster management.
- (2) The National Disaster Response Fund shall be made available to the National Executive Committee to be applied towards meeting the expenses for emergency response, relief and rehabilitation in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the Central Government in consultation with the National Authority.

National Disaster Mitigation Fund.

- **47.** (1) The Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, constitute a Fund to be called the National Disaster Mitigation Fund for projects exclusively for the purpose of mitigation and there shall be credited thereto such amount which the Central Government may, after due appropriation made by Parliament by law in this behalf, provide.
 - (2) The National Disaster Mitigation Fund shall be applied by the National Authority.

Establishment of funds by State Government.

- **48.** (1) The State Government shall, immediately after notifications issued for constituting the State Authority and the District Authorities, establish for the purposes of this Act the following funds, namely:—
 - (a) the fund to be called the State Disaster Response Fund;
 - (b) the fund to be called the District Disaster Response Fund;

- (c) the fund to be called the State Disaster Mitigation Fund;
- (d) the fund to be called the District Disaster Mitigation Fund.
- (2) The State Government shall ensure that the-funds established
 - (i) under clause (a) of sub-section (1) is available to the State Executive Committee;
 - (ii) under sub-clause (c) of sub-section (1) is available to the State Authority;
 - (iii) under clauses (b) and (d) of sub-section (1) are available to the District Authority.
- 49. (1) Every Ministry or Department of the Government of India shall make provisions, in its annual budget, for funds for the purposes of carrying out the activities and programmes set out in its disaster management plan.

Allocation of funds by Ministries and Departments.

- (2) The provisions of sub-section (1) shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply to departments of the Government of the State.
- **50.** Where by reason of any threatening disaster situation or disaster, the National Authority or the State Authority or the District Authority is satisfied that immediate procurement of provisions or materials or the immediate application of resources are necessary for rescue or relief,

Emergency produrement and accounting.

- (a) it may authorise the concerned department or authority to make the emergency procurement and in such case, the standard procedure requiring inviting of tenders shall be deemed to be waived;
- (b) a certificate about utilisation of provisions or materials by the controlling officer authorised by the National Authority, State Authority or District Authority, as the case may be, shall be deemed to be a valid document or voucher for the purpose of accounting of emergency, procurement of such provisions or materials.

CHAPTER X

OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

51. Whoever, without reasonable cause-

Punishment for obstruction, etc.

- (a) obstructs any officer or employee of the Central Government or the State Government, or a person authorised by the National Authority or State Authority or District Authority in the discharge of his functions under this Act; or
- (b) refuses to comply with any direction given by or on behalf of the Central Government or the State Government or the National Executive Committee or the State Executive Committee or the District Authority under this Act,

shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine or with both, and if such obstruction or refusal to comply with directions results in loss of lives or imminent danger thereof, shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years.

Punishment for false claim.

52. Whoever knowingly makes a claim which he knows or has reason to believe to be false for obtaining any relief, assistance, repair, reconstruction or other benefits consequent to disaster from any officer of the Central Government, the State Government, the National Authority, the State Authority or the District Authority, shall, on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, and also with fine.

Punishment for misappropriation of money or materials, etc.

53. Whoever, being entrusted with any money or materials, or otherwise being, in custody of, or dominion over, any money or goods, meant for providing relief in any threatening disaster situation or disaster, misappropriates or appropriates for his own use or disposes of such money or materials or any part thereof or wilfully compels any other person so to do, shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, and also with fine.

Punishment for false warning.

54. Whoever makes or circulates a false alarm or warning as to disaster or its severity or magnitude, leading to panic, shall on conviction, be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to one year or with fine.

Offences by Departments of the Government.

- 55. (1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by any Department of the Government, the head of the Department shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly unless he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.
- (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a Department of the Government and it is proved that the offence has been committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of, any officer, other than the head of the Department, such officer shall be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

Failure of officer in duty or his connivance at the contravention of the provisions of this Act.

56. Any officer, on whom any duty has been imposed by or under this Act and who ceases or refuses to perform or withdraws himself from the duties of his office shall, unless he has obtained the express written permission of his official superior or has other lawful excuse for so doing, be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine.

Penalty for contravention of any order regarding requisitoning. 57. If any person contravenes any order made under section 65, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine or with both.

Offence by companies.

58. (1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company or body corporate, every person who at the time the offence was committed, was in charge of, and was responsible to, the company, for the conduct of the business of the company, as well as the company, shall be deemed to be guilty of the contravention and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly:

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall render any such person liable to any punishment provided in this Act, if he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company, and it is proved that the offence was committed with the consent or connivance of or is attributable to any neglect on the part of any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, such director, manager, secretary or other officer shall also, be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

Explanation.-For the purpose of this section

- (a) "company" means any body corporate and includes a firm or other association of individuals; and
 - (b) "director", in relation to a firm, means a partner in the firm.
- 59. No prosecution for offences punishable under sections 55 and 56 shall be instituted" except with the previous sanction of the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, or of any officer authorised in this behalf, by general or special order, by such Government.

Previous sanction for prosecution.

60. No court shall take cognizance of an offence under this Act except on a complaint made by-

Cognizance of offences.

- (a) the National Authority, the State Authority the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other authority or officer authorised in this behalf by that Authority or Government, as the case may be; or
- (b) any person who has given notice of not less than thirty days in the manner prescribed, of the alleged offence and his intention to make a complaint to the National Authority, the State Authority, the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other ,authority or officer" authorised as aforesaid."

CHAPTER XI

MISCELLANEOUS

61. While providing compensation and relief to the victims of disaster, there shall be no discrimination on the ground of sex, caste, community, descent or religion.

Prohibition against discrimination.

62. Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, it shall be lawful for the Central Government to issue direction in writing to the Ministries or Departments of the Government of India, or the National Executive Commission or the State Government, State Authority, State Executive Committee, statutory bodies or any of its officers or employees, as the case may be, to facilitate or assist in the disaster management and such Ministry or Department or Government or Authority, Executive Committee, statutory body, officer or employee shall be bound to comply with such direction.

Power to issue dirrection by Central Government.

63. Any officer or authority of the Union or a State, when requested by the National Executive Committee, any State Executive Committee or District Authority or any person authorised by such Committee or Authority in this behalf, shall make available to that Committee or authority or person, such officers and employees as requested for to perform any of the functions in connection with the prevention of disaster or mitigation or rescue or relief work.

Power to be made available for rescue operations.

Making or amdending rules, etc., in certain circumstances. 64. Subject to the provisions of this Act, if it appears to the National Executive Committee, State Executive Committee or the District Authority, as the case may be, that provisions of any rule, regulation, notification, guideline, instruction, order, scheme or byelaws, as the case may be, are required to be made or amended for the purposes of prevention of disasters or the mitigation thereof, it may require the amendment of such rules, regulation, notification, guidelines, instruction, order, scheme or bye-laws, as the case may be, for that purpose, and the appropriate department or authority shall take necessary action to comply with the requirements.

Power of requisition of resources, provisions, vehicles, etc., for rescure operations, etc.

- 65. (1) If it appears to the National Executive Committee, State Executive Committee or District Authority or any officer as may be authorised by it in this behalf that—
 - (a) any resources with any authority or person are needed for the purpose of prompt response;
 - (b) any premises are needed or likely to be needed for the purpose of rescue operations; or
 - (c) any vehicle is needed or is likely to be needed for the purposes of transport of resources from disaster affected areas or transport of resources to the affected area or transport in connection with rescue, rehabilitation or reconstruction,

such authority may, by order in writing, requisition such resources or premises or such vehicle, as the case may be, and may make such further orders is may appear to it to be necessary or expedient in connection with the requisitioning.

- (2) Whenever any resource, premises or vehicle is requisitioned under sub-section (1), the period of such requisition shall not extend beyond the period for which such resource, premises or vehicle is required for any of the purposes mentioned in that subsection.
 - (3) In this section,-
 - (a) "resources" includes men and material resources;
 - (b) "services" includes facilities;
 - (c) "premises" means any land, building or part of a building and includes a hut, shed or other structure or any part thereof;
 - (d) "vehicle" means any vehicle used or capable of being used for the purpose of transport, whether propelled by mechanical power or otherwise.

Payment compensation.

- 66. (1) Whenever any Committee, Authority or officer referred to in sub-section (1) of section 65, in pursuance of that section requisitions any premises, there shall be paid to' the persons interested compensation the amount of which shall be determined by taking into consideration the following, namely:
 - (i) the rent payable in respect of the premises, or if no rent is so payable, the rent payable for similar premises in the locality;
 - (ii) if as consequence of the requisition of the premises the person interested is compelled to change his residence or place of business, the reasonable expenses (if

any) incidental to such change:

Provided that where any person interested being aggrieved by the amount of compensation so determined makes an application within the thirty days to the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, for referring the matter to an arbitrator, the amount of compensation to be paid shall be such as the arbitrator appointed in this behalf by the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, may determine:

Provided further that where there is any dispute as to the title to receive the compensation or as to the apportionment of the amount of compensation, it shall be referred by the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, to an arbitrator appointed in this behalf by the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, for determination, and shall be determined in accordance with the decision of such arbitrator.

Explanation.-In this sub-section, the expression "person interested" means the person who was in actual possession of the premises requisitioned under section 65 immediately before the requisition, or where no person was in such actual possession, the owner of such premises.

(2) Whenever any Committee, Authority or officer, referred to in sub-section (1) of section 65 in pursuance of that section requisitions any vehicle, there shall be paid to the owner thereof compensation the amount of which shall be determined by the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, on the basis of the fares or rates prevailing in the locality for the hire of such vehicle:

Provided that where the owner of such vehicle being aggrieved by the amount of compensation so determined makes an application within the prescribed time to the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, for referring the matter to an arbitrator, the amount of compensation to be paid shall be such as the arbitrator appointed in this behalf by the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, may determine:

Provided further that where immediately before the requisitioning the vehicle or vessel was by virtue of a hire purchase agreement in the possession of a person other than the owner, the amount determined under this sub-section as the total compensation payable in respect of the requisition shall be apportioned between that person and the owner in such manner as they may agree upon, and in default of agreement, in such manner as an arbitrator appointed by the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, in this behalf may decide.

67. The National Authority, the State Authority, or a District Authority may recommend to the Government to give direction to any authority or person in control of any audio or audio-visual media or such other means of communication as may be available to carry of warnings, etc. any warning or advisories regarding any threatening disaster situation or disaster, and the said means of communication and media as designated shall comply with such direction.

Direction to media for communication Authentication of orders or decisions. 68. Every order or decision of the National Authority or the National Executive Committee, the State Authority, or the State Executive Committee or the District Authority, shall be authenticated by such officers of the National Authority or the National Executive Committee or, the State Executive Committee, or the District Authority, as may be authorised by it in this behalf.

Delegation of powers. 69. The National Executive Committee, State Executive Committee, as the case may be, by general or special order in writing, may delegate to the Chairperson or any other member or to any officer, subject to such conditions and limitations, if any, as may be specified in the order, such of its powers and functions under this Act as it may deem necessary.

Annual Report

- 70. (1) The National Authority shall prepare once every year, in such form and at such time as may be prescribed, an annual report giving a true and full account of its activities during the previous year and copies thereof shall be forwarded to the Central Government and that Government shall cause the same to be laid before both Houses of Parliament within one month of its receipt.
- (2) The State Authority shall prepare once in every year, in such form and at such time as may be prescribed, an annual report giving a true and full account of its activities during the previous year and, copies thereof shall be forwarded to the State Government and that Government shall cause the same to be laid before each House of the State Legislature where it consists of two Houses, or where such Legislature consists of one House, before that House.

Bar of Jurisdiction of court. 71. No court (except the Supreme Court or a High Court) shall have jurisdiction to entertain any suit or proceeding in respect of anything done, action taken, orders made, direction, instruction or guidelines issued by the Central Government, National Authority, State Government, State Authority or District Authority in pursuance of any power conferred by, or in relation to its functions, by this Act.

Act to have overriding effect.

72. The provisions of this Act, shall have effect, notwithstanding anything inconsistent therewith contained in any other law for the time being in force or in any instrument having effect by virtue of any law other than this Act.

Action taken in good faith.

73. No suit or prosecution or other proceeding shall lie in any court against the Central Government or the National Authority or the State Government or the State Authority or the District Authority or local authority or any officer or employee of the Central Government or the National Authority or the State Government or the State Authority or the District Authority or local authority or any person working for on behalf of such Government or authority in respect of any work done or purported to have been done or intended to be done in good faith by such authority or Government or such officer or employee or such person under the provisions of this Act or the rules or regulations made thereunder.

Immunity from legal process. 74. Officers and employees of the Central Government, National Authority, National Executive Committee, State Government, State Authority, State Executive Committee or District Authority shall be immune from legal process in regard to any warning in respect of any impending disaster communicated or disseminated by them in their official capacity or any action taken or direction issued by them in pursuance of such communication or dissemination..

75. (1) The Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

Power of Central Government to make rules.

- (2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:—
 - (a) the composition and number of the members of the National Authority under sub-section (2), and the term of office and conditions of service of members of the National Authority under sub-section (4), of section-3;
 - (b) the allowances to be paid to the members of the advisory cornmittee under sub-section (2) of section 7;
 - (c) the powers and functions of the Chairperson of the National Executive Committee under sub-section (3) of section 8 and the procedure to be followed by the National Executive Committee in exercise of its powers and discharge of its functions under sub-section (4) of section 8;
 - (d) allowances to be paid to the persons associated with the sub-committee constituted by the National Executive Committee under sub-section (3) of section 9;
 - (e) the number of members of the National Institute of Disaster Management under sub-section (2), the term of the office and vacancies among members and the manner of filling such vacancies under sub-section (3) and the manner of constituting the Governing Body of the National Institute of Disaster Management under subsection (4) of section 42;
 - (f) the manner of constitution of the Force, the conditions of service of the members of the Force, including disciplinary provisions under sub-section (2) of section 44;
 - (g) the manner in which notice of the offence and of the intention to make a complaint to the National Authority, the State Authority, the Central Government, the State Government or the other authority or officer under clause (b) of section 60;
 - (h) the form in which and the time within which annual report is to be prepared under section 70;
 - (I) any other matter which is to be, or may be, prescribed, or in respect of which provision is to be made by rules.
- 76. (1) The National Institute of Disaster Management, with the previous approval of the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make regulations consistent with this Act and the rules made thereunder to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Power to make regulation.

- (2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such regulations may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:
 - (a) powers and functions to be exercised and dicharged by the governing body;
 - (b) procedure to be followed by the governing body in exercise of the powers and discharge of its functions;

(c) any other matter for which under this Act provision may be made by the regulations.

Rules and regulations to be laid before Parliament.

77. Every rule made by the Central Government and every regulation made by the National Institute of Disaster Management under this Act shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament, while it is in session, for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised of one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or regulation or both Houses agree that the rule or regulation should not be made, the rule or regulation shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule or regulation.

Power of State Government to make rules.

- 78. (1) The State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make rules to carry out the provisions of this Act.
- (2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:
 - (a) the composition and number of the members of the State Authority under sub-section (2), and the term of office and conditions of service of the members of the State Authority under sub-section (5), of section 14;
 - (b) the allowances to be paid to the members of the advisory committee under sub-section (2) of section 17;
 - (c) the powers and functions of the Chairperson of the State Executive Committee under sub-section (3), and the procedure to be followed by the State Executive Committee in exercise of its powers and discharge of its functions under sub-section (4) of section 20;
 - (d) allowances to be paid to the persons associated with the sub-committee constituted by the State Executive Committee under sub-section (3) of section 21;
 - (e) the composition and the number of members of the District Authority under sub-section (2), and the powers and functions to be exercised and discharged by the Chief Executive Officer of the District Authority under sub-section (3) of section 25;
 - (f) allowances payable to the persons associated with any committee constituted by the District Authority as experts under sub-section (3) of section 28;
 - (g) any other matter which is to be, or may be, prescribed, or in respect of which provision is to be made by rules.
- (3) Every rule made by the State Government under this Act shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of the State Legislature where it consists of two Houses, or where such Legislature consists of one House before that House.

79. (1) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Act, the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, by notification in the Official Gazette, make order not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act as may appear to it to be necessary or expedient for the removal of the difficulty.

Power to remove difficulties.

Provided that no such order shall be made after the expiration of two years from the commencement of this Act.

(2) Every order made under this section shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament or the Legislature, as the case may be.

T.K. VISWANATHAN, Secy. to the Govt. of India Notifications
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	13.	District Magistrate	
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	14.	Director of Relief, West Bengal,	

Sir / Madam,

I am directed to forward herewith copy of the Notifications No. 1281 - F.R. to 1303 - F.R. and 1308 - F.R. to 1309 - F.R. dt. 01.08.2007 regarding implementation of relevant provisions of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 in the State for your kind information and taking necessary action.

Encl,: As stated

Yours faithfully, Sd/-Joint Secretary & SPO, WBDRMP Registered No. WB/SC-320

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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER MANAGMENT

NOTIFICATION

No. 1281-FR.-1st August 2007,- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 14 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to establish an authority of be known as the State Disaster Management Authority, West Bengal, to discharge the powers and functions of the State Authouity under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,

[ILLEGIBLE],

Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1281-FR.-1st August 2007,- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 14 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Chairperson of the State Disaster Management Authority, West Bengal, has nominated the following persons to be the member of the said state Authority, namely:-

- (a) the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Disaster Managment, Government of West Bengal, who shall be the Vice- Chairperson;
- (b) the Minister-in-Charge, Finance Department, Government of West Bengal;
- (c) the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Health & Family, Government of West Bengal;
- (d) the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Irrigation & Waterways, Government of West Bengal;
- (e) the Minister-in-Charge, Public Works Department, Government of West Bengal;
- (f) the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Civil Defence, Government of West Bengal;
- (g) the Minister-in-Charge, Public Health & Engineering Department, Government of West Bengal;
- (h) the Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, who shall be the Chief Executive officer, ex officio.

By order of the Governor,

[ILLEGIBLE],

Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NORIFICATION

No. 1283,FR,-1st August 2007,-In exercise of the powers conferred by clauses (a) and (b) of sub-section (2) read with sub-Section (1) of section 78 of the Disaster Managment Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to make the following rules:-

Rules

- Short title and commencement,-(1) These rules may be called the west Bengal Disaster Managment (Term of
 office and Conditions of Service of Mambers of State Authority and payment of Allowances to Members of Advisory
 Committee) Rules, 2007
 - (2) The shall come into force on the date of their publication in the official Gazette.
 - 2. Definitions,-(1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,
 - (a) "Act" means the disaster management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005);
 - (b) "advisory committee" means the advisory constitued under sub-section (1) of section 17;
 - (c) "menber" means a member of the State Authority;
 - (d) "section" means section of the Act.;
 - (e) "Vice-Chairperson" means the Vice-Chairperson of the State Authority as designated by the Chairperson of the State Authority under sub-section (2) of section 14;
- (2) Words and expressions used herein and not defined in these rules but defined in the Act shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Act.
- 3. Terms of office of member,-A person nominated as a member of the State Authority shall hold his office for a period of five years from the date he assumes office;
 - 4. Disqualifications,-No person shall be member of the State Authority, who
 - (a) is declared to be of unsound mind by a competent court,
 - (b) becomes incapable of acting as a member, or
 - (c) is or has been convicted of an offence, which in the opinion of the State Government, involves moral turpitude, or;
 - (d) is or has been removed or dismissed from the service of the Government on a body corporate owned or controlled by the Government,
- 5. Resignation,-Any member may resign from his office by giving a notice in writing under his hand to that effect to the chairperson of hie State Authority and such resignation shall take effect from the date, on which such notice is accepted by the Chairperson of the State Authority;
- 6. Vacancies,-Where a vacancy occurs in the office of a member of the State Aurhority by reason of resignation, disqualification death or otherwise, the vacancy may be filled up by fresh nomination.
- 7. Allowances to be paid to a member of advisory committee,-A member of the Acvisory Committee shall be paid such traviling allowances, room-rent, daily allowances and conveyance allowance as are admissible to a member of the Indian Administrative Service, in the rank of Secretary;

NOTIFICATION

1. 1284-FR.-1st August 2007-In exercise of the powers conferrde by sub-section (1) of section 20 of the Disaster Managment Act. 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute a State Executive Committee to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act, consisting of the following members as specified in sub-section (2) of section 20 of the said Act, namely:-

(a) the Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal;

Ex-officio Chairperson

(b) the Sectetary, Home Department;

Member;

(c) the Secretary, Finance Department

Member;

(d) the Secretary, Department of Irrigation and Waferwys

Member;

(e) the Secretaty, Department of Disaster Managment

Member Convenor;

By order of the Governor, [ILLEGIBLE],

Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1285,FR,-1st August 2007,-In exercise of the powers conferred by clauses (C) of sub-section (2) read with sub-Section (1) of section 78 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to make the following rules:-

Rules

- (1) Short title commencement.—(1) These rules may be called the West Bengal Disaster Management (Powers and functions of the Chairperson and procedure of the State Executive Committee) Rules, 2007.
 - (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publicaion in the official Gazette
 - Definitions,-(1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,
 - (a) "Act" means the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005);
- (b) "State Executive committee" means the State Executive Committee constitueted by the State Government under sut-section (1) of section 20 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005).
- (2) Words and expressions used herein and not defined in these rules but defined in the Act shall have the meaning respectively assigned to them in the Act.
- 3. Powers and functions of Chairperson of State Executive Committee,-(1) The Chairperson of the State Executive Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Chairperson) may, as and when required, in implementation of the directions of the State Government, seek guidance from the State Authority in the implementation of the directions of the State Government, as to the modalities of such implementation.
- (2) The Chairperson shall, in case of emergency, have the power to exercise all or any of the powers of the State Executive Committee but exercise of such powers shall be subject to ratifiction by the State Executive Committee.
- 4. Procedure to be followed by State Executive Committee.-(1) The Chairperson shall preside over the meetings of the State Executive Committee:

Provide that in the case of his inabilty to preside over any meeting of the State Executive Committee, he shall nominate one of the members of the State Executive Committee to preside over the Meeting.

- (2) The Chairperson may nominate one or more officers-
 - (a) to assist him in the performance of his functions as the Chairman;

- (b) to maintain proper records relating to the meetings of the State Executive Committee;
- (c) to take follow up action to ensure that the decisions taken in the meetings of the State Executive Committee are implemented in time; and
- (d) to perform such other functions as the Chairperson may desire them to perform.
- (3) The Chairperson shall decide the day, time and place of a meeting of the said State Executive Committee.
- (4) The State Executive Committee shall meet as often as necessary but at least once in three months.
- (5) The State Executive Committee shall give notice of its meeting and circulate its agenda at least three days in advance, unless there is an emergency situation on occurrence of a situation of such a threatening disester, when the State Executive Committee shall meet at the earliest to ensure a smooth and efficient response.

By order of the Governor,
[ILLEGIBLE],
Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1286,FR.-1st August 2007,-In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Burdwan District Disaster Management Authority to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,
[ILLEGIBLE],
Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1287-FR.—1st August 2007,—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Cooch Behar District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,

[ILLEGIBLE],

Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1288-FR.—1st August 2007,—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Dakshin Dinajpur District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,

[ILLEGIBLE],

Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1289-FR.-1st August 2007,-In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the

Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Darjeeling District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,
[ILLEGIBLE],
Secv. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1290-FR.-1st August 2007,-In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Hooghly District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,

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Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1291-FR.-1st August 2007,-In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Howrah District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,
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Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1292-FR.-1st August 2007,-In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Jalpaiguri District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,
[ILLEGIBLE],
Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1293-FR.—1st August 2007,—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Malda District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1294-FR.–1st August 2007,–In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Murshidabad District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,
[ILLEGIBLE],
Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1295-FR.–1st August 2007,–In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Nadia District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,
[ILLEGIBLE],
Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1296-FR.—1st August 2007,—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the 24-Parganas District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,
[ILLEGIBLE],
Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1297-FR.—1st August 2007,—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Paschim Medinipur District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,
[ILLEGIBLE],
Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1298-FR.—1st August 2007,—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Purba Medinipur District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1299-FR.-1st August 2007,-In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Purulia District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,
[ILLEGIBLE],
Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1300-FR.–1st August 2007,–In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the South 24-Parganas District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,

[ILLEGIBLE],

Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1301-FR.—1st August 2007,—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Uttar Dinajpur District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,

[ILLEGIBLE],

Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1302-FR.—1st August 2007,—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Bankura District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

By order of the Governor,

[ILLEGIBLE],

Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1303-FR.—1st August 2007,—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to constitute the Birbhum District Disaster Management Authority, to carry out the various functions assigned to it under the said Act.

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No. 1308 - F.R.

Dated, 1st August, 2007.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred under Sub-section(2) of Section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005) the State Government announces that a District Disaster Management Authority, constituted under Sub-section(1) of Section 25 of the said Act, will consist of the following members, namely:-

- (a) the District Magistrate of the district who shall be the Chairperson, ex-officio;
- (b) the Sabhadhipati of the Zilla Parishad who shall be the Co-Chairperson, ex-officio;

Provided that in the case of Darjeeling, both the Chief Executive Member of the Gorkha Land Hill Council and Sahadhipati of Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad will be Co-Chairpersons;

- (c) the Chief Executive Officer of the District Authority, ex-officio;
- (d) the Superintendent of Police, ex-officio;
- (e) the Chief Medical Officer of Health, ex-officio;
- (f) the Executive Engineer of Irrigation;
- (g) all Sub-Division Officers of the district.

By Order of the Governor

A. Purkayastha,

Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

Government of West Bengal Department of Disaster Managment Writers' Buildings, Kolkata- 700 001

No. 1309 - F.R.

Dated, 1st August, 2007.

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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred under Sub-section(4) of Section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005) read with Clause (c) of the Sub-section (2) of Section 25, the State Government hereby declares that the Additional District Magistrate looking after disaster management will be the Chief Executive Officer of the District Authority through whom the order of the District Authority will be issued.

By Order of the Governor

A. Purkayastha,

Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER MANAGMENT

NOTIFICATION

No. 1817-FR.-6tH November 2007,- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 14 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor is pleased hereby to make the following amendment in this Department notification No. 1282-FR, dated the 1st August 2007, published in the *Kolkata Gazette, esxtraordinary,* Part-I, dated the 1st August 2007 (hereinafter referred to as the said Notification):

Amendment

In the said notification, for item (g), substitute the following items:-

- "(g) the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Fire and Emergency Services, Government of West Bengal;
- (g.i)the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Agriculture, Government of West Bengal;"
- 2. This notification shall be deemed to have come into force with effect from the 1st August 2007.

By order of the Governor, ATANU PURKAYASTHA, Secv. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

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No. 20	61-FR/	R//M-33/06	ated, the 18th December, 200
Form	Sta	ne joint Secretary to the Government of West Bengal & ate Project Officer, est Bengal Disaster Risk Management Programme	
То	: 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	The Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal. Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Principal Secretary to Governor, Secretary to the West Bengal Legislative Assembly Secret Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary /	ariat,
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	9.	Director General of Police, West Bengal,	
		Director, A.T.I / S.I.P. & R.D.,	
	11.	. Divisional Commissioner,	
	u ress	Division,	
	12.	. SabhadhipatiZilla Parishad,	
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	13.	District Magistrate	
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	14.	Director of Relief, West Bengal, 87A, S.N. Banerjee Road, Kolkata-14.	

Sir / Madam,

I am directed to forward herewith copy of the Notification No. 1817-FR dt. 06.11.2007 regarding implementation of relevant provisions of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 in the State for your kind information and taking necessary action.

Sd/-Yours faithfully, Joint Secretary & S.P.O., WBDRMP.

Encl, : As stated



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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT

NOTIFICATION

No. 2181-FR.—29th November 2011.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 14 of the Disaster Management Act 2005 (53 of 2005), the Chairperson of the State Disaster Management Authority, West Bengal, has nominated

- (a) the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Disaster Management Government of West Bengal, who shall be the Vice
- the Minister-in-Charge, Finance Department, Government of West Bengal.
- the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government of West Bengal.
- the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Irrigation & Waterways, Government of West Bengal.
- the Minister-in-Charge, Public Works Department, Government of West Bengal.
- the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Agriculture, Government of West Bengal.
- the Minister-in-Charge, Food and Supplies Department, Government of West Bengal.
- (h) the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Power, Government of West Bengal.
- (i) the Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, who shall be the Chief Executive Officer, Ex-Officio.
- 2. This notification issues in cancellation of this Department Notification No. 1282-FR, dated 1st August, 2007 and
- This notification shall be deemed to have come into force with effect from the 1st November, 2011.

No. 32-7/2014-NDM-I Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division)

'C' Wing, 3rd Floor, NDCC-II, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110001, Dated the 8th April 2015

To

- 1. Chief Secretaries of all States
- The Relief Commissioners / Secretaries, Department of Disaster Management of all States

Subject: - Items and Norms of assistance from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) for the period 2015 - 2020.

Sir/ Madam,

I am directed to state that based on consideration of the recommendations of Fourteenth Finance Commission (FFC) on financing of expenditure on immediate relief during natural disasters for the period 2015–2020 and the report of the Expert Group set up by this Ministry, the Government of India has revised the items and norms for assistance from SDRF/NDRF. The approved list of items and norms for assistance from SDRF/NDRF in the wake of identified natural disasters is **Annexed**. The revised norms will be effective from 1st April 2015. However, the farmers affected by hailstorms in different parts of the country during February/March 2015 will also be given assistance under the new norms.

- 2. The revised items and norms can also be downloaded from website of Disaster Management Division of Ministry of Home Affairs i.e. www.ndmindia.nic.in.
- 3. As the first charge on SDRF should be on a disaster of severe nature, there has been a requirement to adjust balance amount of SDRF whenever NDRF amount is released. This procedure stands revised as follows:-

50% of SDRF balance, as on 31st March of the preceding financial year, will be adjusted while refeasing the assistance from NDRF for the first disaster in a financial year. In ease the same State faces another severe disaster during the same year, no adjustment will be made while releasing NDRF assistance.

4. A copy of the communication alongwith their enclosure is also being sent to the Accountants Generals of the States for necessary action.

5. This supersedes this Ministry's earlier letters on this subject, the last being No.32-3/2013-NDM-I dated the 28th November, 2013 and No. 32-3/2013 NDM-I dated 5th March 2014.

Yours faithfully,

(Goutam Ghosh)

Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India

Telefax: 23438123

Encl: As above.

Copy for information and necessary follow up action to:-

- 1. Accountants General of all State Governments.
- 2. Comptroller & Auditor General (CAG), New Delhi.
- 3. Controller General of Accounts (CGA), New Delhi.
- 4. Resident Commissioners of all State Governments.

Copy to: -

- 1. Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure [Shri Vivek Joshi, JS (FCD)], North Block, New Delhi.
- 2. Ministry of Agriculture [Joint Secretary (DM)], Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 3. Member Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority, NDMA Bhawan, Safdurjung Enclave, New Delhi.
- 4. All concerned Central Ministries/ Departments / Organizations.
- 5. PMO / Cabinet Secretariat.
- 6. PS to HM/PS to MOS (R)
- 7. Sr. PPS to Home Secretary/ Addl. Secretary (F)/ Joint Secretary (DM)/ NIC.

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Annexure -REVISED LIST OF ITEMS AND NORMS OF ASSISTANCE FROM STATE DISASTER RESPONSE FUNDS (SDRF) AND NATIONAL DISASTER RESPONSE FUND (NDRF)

(Period 2015-20, MHA Letter No. 32-7/2014-NDM-I Dated 8th April 2015)

SI. No.	Items	NORMS OF ASSISTANCE
1	2	
l <u>.</u>	Gratuitous Relief	3
	a) Ex-Gratia payment to families of deceased persons.	Rs.4.00 lakh per deceased person including those involved relief operations or associated in preparedness activiti subject to certification regarding cause of death from appropriate authority.
	b) Ex-Gratia payment for loss of a limb of eye(s).	or Rs. 59100/- per person, when the disability is between 40 and 60%.
		Rs. 2.00 lakh per person, when the disability is more than 60%
		Subject to certification by a doctor from a hospital of dispensary of Government, regarding extent and cause of disability.
	c) Grievous injury requiring hospitalization	Rs. 12,700/- per person requiring hospitalization for more that a week.
		Rs. 4,300/- per person requiring hospitalization for less than a week.
	d) Clothing and utensils/ house-hold goods for families whose houses have been washed away/ fully damaged/severely inundated for more than two days due to a natural calamity.	Rs.1,800/- per family, for loss of clothing. Rs.2,000/- per family, for loss of utensils/ household goods.
e) Gratuitous relief for families whose livelihood is seriously affected.	Rs. 60/- per adult and Rs. 45/- per child, not housed in relief camps. State Govt. will certify that identified beneficiaries are not housed in relief camps. Further State Government will provide the basis and process for arriving at such beneficiaries district-wise.
		Period for providing gratuitous relief will be as per assessment of the State Executive Committee (SEC) and the Central Team (in case of NDRF). The default period of assistance will upto to 30 days, which may be extended upto 60 days in the first instance, if required, and subsequently upto 90 days in case of drought/ pest attack. Depending on the ground situation, the State Executive Committee can extend the time period beyond the prescribed limit subject to that expenditure on this account should not exceed 25% of SDRF allocation for the year.
SE (a)	ARCH & RESCUE OPERATIONS Cost of search and rescue measures/	As per actual cost incurred, assessed by SEC and recommended by the Central Team (in case of NDRF).

		- By the time the Central Team visits the affected area, these activities are already over. Therefore, the State Level Committee and the Central Team can recommend actual/near-actual costs.
	(b) Hiring of boats for carrying immediately relief and saving lives.	As per actual cost incurred, assessed by SEC and recommended by the Central Team (in case of NDRF).
3	DEL HER ME AGNUDIO	The quantum of assistance will be limited to the actual expenditure incurred on hiring boats and essential equipment required for rescuing stranded people and thereby saving human lives during a notified natural calamity.
	RELIEF MEASURES a) Provision for temporary accommodation food, clothing, medical care, etc. for people affected/ evacuated and sheltere in relief camps.	As per assessment of need by SEC and recommendation of the Central Team (in a second team).
·	b) Air dropping of essential supplies	As per actual, based on assessment of need by SEC and recommendation of the Central Team (in case of NDRF). - The quantum of assistance will be limited to actual amount
		raised in the bills by the Ministry of Defence for airdropping of essential supplies and rescue operations only.
	c) Provision of emergency supply of drinking water in rural areas and urban areas	As per actual cost, based on assessment of need by SEC and recommended by the Central Team (in case of NDRF), up to 30 days and may be extended upto 90 days in case of drought. Depending on the ground situation, the State Executive Committee can extend the time perind beyond the prescribed limit subject to that expenditure on this account should not exceed 25% of SDRF allocation for the year.
	CLEARANCE OF AFFECTED AREAS	
	a) Clearance of debris in public areas.	As per actual cost within 30 days from the date of start of the work based on assessment of need by SEC for the assistance to be provided under SDRF and as per assessment of the Central team for assistance to be provided under NDRF.
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		Rs 5000/- per beneficiary household. The death of the poultry birds should be on account of a natural calamity.
	ii) Duquisian of faddan (Carl	Note: - Relief under these norms is not eligible if the assistance is available from any other Government Scheme, e.g. loss of birds due to Avian Influenza or any other diseases for which the Department of Animal Husbandry has a separate scheme for compensating the poultry owners.
	ii) Provision of fodder / feed concentrate including water supply and medicines in	Large animals- Rs. 70/- per day.
	cattle camps.	Small animals- Rs. 35/- per day.
		Period for providing relief will be as per assessment of the State Executive Committee (SEC) and the Central Team (in case of NDRF). The default period for assistance will be upto 30 days, which may be extended upto 60 days in the first instance and in case of severe drought up to 90 days. Depending on the ground situation, the State Executive Committee can extend the time period beyond the prescribed limit, subject to the stipulation that expenditure on this account should not exceed 25% of SDRF allocation for the year. Based on assessment of need by SEC and recommendation of
		the Central Team, (in case of NDRF) consistent with estimates of cattle as per Livestock Census and subject to the certificate by the competent authority about the requirement of medicine and vaccine being calamity related.
	iii) Transport of fodder to cattle outside cattle camps	As per actual cost of transport, based on assessment of need by SEC and recommendation of the Central Team (in case of NDRF) consistent with estimates of cattle as per Livestock Census.
7	FISHERY	
	i) Assistance to Fisherman for repair /	Rs. 4,100/- for repair of partially damaged boats only
	replacement of boats, nets – damaged or lost	Rs. 2,100/- for repair of partially damaged net
	Boat Dugout-Canoe	Rs. 9,600/- for replacement of fully damaged boats
	Catamaran net (This assistance will not be provided if the	Rs. 2,600/- for replacement of fully damaged net
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	8 HANDICRAFTS/HANDLOOM ASSISTANCE TO ARTISANS	
	i) For replacement of damaged tools/	Rs. 4,100 per artisan for equipments.
	equipment	- Subject to certification by the competent authority designated by the Government about damage and its replacement.
	ii) For loss of raw material/ goods in	Rs. 4,100 per artisan for raw material.
	process/ finished goods	 Subject to certification by Competent Authority designated by the State Government about loss and its replacement.
9	HOUSING	abetic 1030 and no replacement.
	a) Fully damaged/destroyed houses	
	i) Pucca house	
} -	ii) Kutcha House	Rs. 95,100/- per house, in plain areas.
	b) Severely damaged houses	-
	i) Pucca House	Rs. 1,01,900/- per house, in hilly areas including Integrated
L,	ii) Kutcha House	Action Plan (IAP) districts.
	(c) Partially Damaged Houses -	
····- ,	(i) Pucca (other than huts) where the damage is at least 15 %	Rs. 5,200/- per house
-	(ii) Kutcha (other than huts) where the damage is at least 15 %	Rs. 3,200/- per house
	d) Damaged / destroyed huts:	Rs. 4,100/- per hut,
	e) Cattle shed attached with house	(Hut means temporary, make shift unit, inferior to Kutcha house, made of thatch, mud, plastic sheets etc. traditionally recognized as hut by the State/ District authorities.) Note: -The damaged house should be an authorized construction duly certified by the Competent Authority of the State Government.
	o) Same shed attached with house	Rs. 2,100/- per shed.
10	INFRASTRUCTURE	
	Repair/restoration (of immediate nature) of damaged infrastructure:	Activities of immediate nature :
	(l) Roads & bridges (2)Drinking Water Supply Works, (3) Irrigation, (4) Power (only limited to immediate restoration of electricity supply in the affected areas),	Illustrative lists of activities which may be considered as works of an immediate nature are given in the enclosed Appendix.
	(5)Schools, (6)Primary Health Centres, (7)	Assessment of requirements:
	177	Based on assessment of need, as per States' costs/ rates/

Sectors such as Telecommunication and Power (except immediate restoration of power supply), which generate their own revenues, and also undertake immediate repair/ restoration works from their own funds/ resources, are excluded.

schedules for repair, by SEC and recommendation of the Central Team (in case of NDRF).

- As regards repair of roads, due consideration shall be given to Norms for Maintenance of Roads in India, 2001, as amended from time to time, for repairs of roads affected by heavy rains/floods, cyclone, landslide, sand dunes, etc. to restore traffic. For reference these norms are
 - Normal and Urban areas: upto 15% of the total of Ordinary Repair (OR) and Periodical Repair (PR).
 - · Hills: upto 20% of total of OR and PR.
- In ease of repair of roads, assistance will be given based on the notified Ordinary Repair (OR) and Periodical Renewal (PR) of the State. In case OR & PR rate is not available, then assistance will be provided @ Rs I lakh/km for State Highway and Major District Road and @ Rs. 0.60 lakh/km for rural roads. The condition of "State shall first use its provision under the budget for regular maintenance and repair" will no longer be required, in view of the difficulties in monitoring such stipulation, though it is a desirable goal for all the States.
- In case of repairs of Bridges and Irrigation works, assistance will be given as per the schedule of rates notified by the concerned States. Assistance for micro irrigation scheme will be provided @ Rs. 1.5 lakh per damaged scheme. Assistance for restoration of damaged medium and large irrigation projects will also be given for the embankment portions, on par with the case of similar rural roads, subject to the stipulation that no duplication would be done with any ongoing schemes.
- Regarding repairs of damaged drinking water schemes, the cligible damaged drinking water structures will be cligible for assistance @ Rs. 1.5 lakh/ damaged structure.
- Regarding repair of damaged primary and secondary schools, primary health centres, Anganwadi and community assets owned by the Panchayats, assistance will be given @ Rs 2 lakh/damaged structure.
- Regarding repair of damaged power sector, assistance will be given to damaged conductors, poles and transformers upto the level of 11 kV. The rate of assistance will be @Rs. 4000/poles, Rs 0.50 lakh per km of damaged conductor and Rs. 1.00 lakh per damaged distribution transformer.
- Expenditure is to be incurred from SDRF only (and not from NDRF), as assessed by the State Executive Committee (SEC).
- The total expenditure on this item should not exceed 10 % of the annual allocation of the SDRF.

Procurement of essential search, rescue and evacuation equipments including communication equipments, etc. for response to disaster.

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12	Capacity Building	 Expenditure is to be incurred from SDRF only (and not from NDRF), as assessed by the State Executive Committee (SEC). The total expenditure on this item should not exceed 5% of
13.	State specific disasters within the local context in the State, which are not included in the notified list of disasters eligible for assistance from SDRF/NDRF, can be met from SDRF within the limit of 10% of the annual funds allocation of the SDRF.	the annual allocation of the SDRF. Expenditure is to be incurred from SDRF only (and not from NDRF), as assessed by the State Executive Committee (SEC). The norm for various items will be the same as applicable to other notified natural disasters, as listed above. or In these cases, the scale of relief assistance against each item for 'local disaster' should not exceed the norms of SDRF. The flexibility is to be applicable only after the State has formally listed the disasters for inclusion and notified transparent norms and guidelines with a clear procedure for identification of the beneficiaries for disaster relief for such local disasters', with the approval of SEC.

Note:- (i) The State Governments are to take utmost care and ensure that all individual beneficiary-oriented assistance is necessary/ mandatory disbursed through the bank account (viz; Jan Dhan Yojana etc.) of the beneficiary.

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⁽ii) The scale of relief assistance against each items for all disasters including 'local disaster' should not exceed the norms of SDRF/NDRF. Any amount spent by the State for such disasters over and above the ceiling would be borne out of the resources of the State Government and not from SDRF.

Illustrative list of activities identified as of an immediate nature.

Drinking Water Supply:

- Repair of damaged platforms of hand pumps/ring wells/ spring-tapped chambers/public stand posts,
- ii) Restoration of damaged stand posts including replacement of damaged pipe lengths with new pipe lengths, cleaning of clear water reservoir (to make it leak proof).
- iii) Repair of damaged pumping machines, leaking overhead reservoirs and water pumps including damaged intake - structure, approach gantries/jetties.

2. Roads

- i) Filling up of breaches and potholes, use of pipe for creating waterways, repair and stone pitching of
- ii) Repair of breached culverts.
- iii) Providing diversions to the damaged/washed out portions of bridges to restore immediate connectivity.
- iv) Temporary repair of approaches to bridges/ embankments of bridges., repair of damaged railing bridges, repair of causeways to restore immediate connectivity, granular sub base, over damaged stretch of roads to restore traffic.

3. Irrigation:

- i) Immediate repair of damaged canal structures and earthen/masonry works of tanks and small reservoirs with the use of cement, sand bags and stones.
- ii) Repair of weak areas such as piping or rat holes in dam walls/ cmbankments.
- iii) Removal of vegetative material/building material/debris from canal and drainage system.
- iv) Repair of embankments of minor, medium and major irrigation projects.

Health:

Repair of damaged approach roads, buildings and electrical lines of PHCs/ community Health Centres.

Community assets of Panchayat

- a) Repair of village internal roads.
- b) Removal of debris from drainage/ sewerage lines.
- c) Repair of internal water supply lines.
- d) Repair of street lights.
- Temporary repair of primary schools, Panchayat ghars, community halls, anganwadi, etc.
- Power: Poles/ conductors and transformers upto 11 kv.

7. The assistance will be considered as per the merit towards the following activities:

	Items/ Particulars	Norms of assistance will be adopted for immediate repair
i)	Damaged primary school building	Up to Rs. 1.50 lakh/ unit
	Higher secondary/ middle/ college and other educational institutions buildings	Not covered
ii)	Primary Health Centre	Upto Rs. 1.50 lakh/ unit
iii)	Electric poles and wires etc.	Normative cost
		(Upto Rs.4000 per pole and Rs. 0.50 lakh per km)
iv)	Panchayat Ghar/ Anganwadi/ Mahila Mondal/ Yuva Kendra/ Community Hall	Upto 2.00 lakh/ unit
v)	State Highways/ Major District road	Rs. 1.00 lakh/ km *
vi)	Rural road/ bridge	Rs. 0.60 lakh/km *
vii)	Drinking water scheme	Upto 1.50 lakh/ unit
viii)	Irrigation Sector: Minor irrigation schemes/ Canal	Upto Rs. 1.50 lakh/ scheme
	Major irrigation scheme	Not covered
	Flood control and anti Erosion Protection work	Not covered
ix)	Hydro Power Project/ HT Distribution systems/ Transformers and sub stations	Not covered
<u>x)</u>	High Tension Lines (above 11 kv)	Not covered
xi) 	State Govt Buildings viz. departmental/ office building, departmental/ residential quarters, religious structures, patwarkhana, Court premises, play ground, forest bungalow property and animal/ bird sanctuary etc.	Not covered
xii)	Long terms/ Permanent Restoration work incentive	Not covered
xiii)	Any new work of long term nature	Not covered
xiv)	Distribution of commodities	Not covered.
		(However, there is a provision for assistance as GR to families in dire need
		of assistance after a disasters).
xv)	Procurement if equipments/ machineries under NDRF	Not covered
xvi)	National Highways	Not covered
		(Since GOI born entire expenditure
		towards restoration works activities)
xvii)	Fodder seed to augment fodder production	Not covered

^{*} If OR & PR rates are not provided by the State.

No. 33-4/2020-NDM-I

Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs

(Disaster Management Division)

C-Wing, 3rd Floor, NDCC-II Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110001

Dated 14.03.2020

To

The Chief Secretaries (All States)

Subject:

Items and Norms of assistance from the State Disaster Response Fund

(SDRF) in wake of COVID-19 Virus Outbreak

Sir/Madam

I am directed to refer this Ministry's letter No. 32-7/2014 dated 8th April, 2015 on the above mentioned subject.

2. The Central Government, keeping in view the spread of COVID-19 Virus in India and the declaration of COVID-19 as pandemic by the World Health Organisation (WHO), by way of a special one time dispensation, has decided to treat it as a notified disaster for the purpose of providing assistance under SDRF. A list of items and norms of assistance for containment of COVID-19 Virus in India, eligible from SDRF is annexed.

Yours faithfully,

(Sanjeev Kumar Jindal)

Joint Secretary to Government of India

Tel: 23438096

Copy to AS(UT), MHA for making similar provisions for utilization of UT Disaster Response Funds by the Union Territories.

No. 33-4/2020-NDM-I

Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs

(Disaster Management Division)

C-Wing, 3rd Floor, NDCC-II

Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110001

Dated 14.03.2020

To

The Chief Secretaries (All States)

Subject:

Items and Norms of assistance from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) in wake of COVID-19 Virus Outbreak

Sir/Madam

I am directed to refer this Ministry's letter No. 33-4/2020-NDM-I dated 14th March 2020 on the above mentioned subject and to enclose herewith *partially modified* list of items and norms of assistance for containment of COVID-19 Virus in India, eligible from SDRF.

Yours faithfully,

(Sanjeev Kumar Jindal)

Joint Secretary to Government of India

Tel: 23438096

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CC for information: PS to HM/MOS(N)/HS

Annexure to Ministry of Home Affairs letter No. 33-4/2020-NDM-I dated 14.03.2020 Modified List of items & norms of assistance from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) in the wake of COVID-19 virus outbreak

Measures for quarantine, sample collection and screening: (a) Provision for temporary accommodation, food, clothing, medical care, etc. for people affected and sheltered in quarantine camps (other than home quarantine) or for cluster containment operations.	As per actual expenditure and as per the assessment of need by State Executive Committee (SEC), to ensure the effective containment of outbreak for a period upto 30 days. The SEC will decide the number of quarantine camps, their duration and the number of persons in such camps. This period can be extended by the SEC beyond the prescribed limit subject to condition that expenditure on this account should not exceed 25% of SDRF allocation for the year.
(b) Cost of consumables for sample collection. (c) Support for checking, screening and contact tracing.	Medical care may also be provided from National Health Mission (NHM).
equipments/labs for response to COVID-19: a) Cost of setting up additional testing laboratories within the Government and the cost of consumables. (b) Cost of personal protection equipment for healthcare, municipal, police and fire authorities. (c) Cost of Thermal Scanners, ventilators, air	Expenditure is to be incurred from SDRF only (and not from NDRF), as assessed by the State Executive Committee (SEC) to strengthen the surveillance and control measures against COVID-19 virus outbreak. Total expenditure on equipment should not exceed 10 % of the annual allocation of the SDRF
	(a) Provision for temporary accommodation, food, clothing, medical care, etc. for people affected and sheltered in quarantine camps (other than home quarantine) or for cluster containment operations. (b) Cost of consumables for sample collection. (c) Support for checking, screening and contact tracing. Procurement of essential equipments/labs for response to COVID-19: (a) Cost of setting up additional testing laboratories within the Government and the cost of consumables. (b) Cost of personal protection equipment for healthcare, municipal, police and fire authorities. (c) Cost of Thermal

Note:

- 1. SEC shall ensure overall oversight mechanism so that no duplication takes place with reference to other Government schemes.
- 2. Any amount spent by the State for COVID-19, over and above the ceiling, would be borne out of the resources of the State Government and not from SDRF.

- Suy is 114/3/2020 No. 33-04/2020-NDM-I Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division)

> 'C' Wing, 3rd Floor, NDCC-II, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi, Dated 28th March, 2020

To

The Chief Secretaries (All States)

Subject: Item and Norms of assistance under State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) in the wake of COVID-19 Virus Outbreak.

Sir/ Madam,

I am directed to refer this Ministry's letter No. 33-4/2020, dated 14th March 2020 on the above mentioned subject and to say that the existing norms issued vide this Ministry letter no 32-7/2014-NDM-I dated 08.04.2015, under item no 3(a) "Relief Measures - Provision for temporary accommodation, food, clothing medical care etc." would be applicable to homeless people, including migrant labourers, stranded due to lockdown measures, and sheltered in the relief camps and other places for providing them food etc., for the containment of spread of Covid-19 virus in the country.

Yours faithfully,

(Sanjeev Kumar Jindal)

Joint Secretary to Government of India

Tel: 23438096

Copy to AS(UT), MHA for making similar provisions for utilization of UT Disaster Response Funds by the Union Territories.

CC for information: PS to HM/MOS(N)/HS/ Secretary (Expenditure).

No. 33-05/2020-NDM-I Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division)

'C' Wing, 3rd Floor, NDCC-II, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi, Dated 7th April, 2020

To

- 1. The Chief Secretaries of all States
- 2. The Relief Commissioners/ Secretaries, Department of Disaster Management of all States

Subject: Extension of validity of existing guidelines and norms of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) - regarding.

Sir/ Madam,

I am directed to refer this Ministry's letters No. 32-7/2014-NDM-I, dated 8th April 2015 and No. 33-5/2015-NDM-I, dated 30th July 2015 on the above mentioned subject.

- 2. In this context it is stated that the 15th Finance Commission has made a departure from the response to mitigation aspect and recommended total amount of **Rs. 28,983 crore** to the States under State Disaster Risk Management Fund (SDRMF) for the year 2020-21. Out of this, the share of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) shall be **80 per cent** and the share of State Disaster Mitigation Fund (SDMF) **20 per cent**. Within the SDRF allocation of 80 per cent, there would be three sub-allocations (a) Response and Relief (40 per cent), (b) Recovery and Reconstruction (30 per cent) and (c) Preparedness and Capacity-Building (10 per cent). While the funding windows of SDRF and SDMF are not inter-changeable, there could be flexibility for re-allocation within the three sub-windows of the respective Funds and such re-allocation shall not exceed **10 per cent** of the allotted amount of that sub-window for 2020-21.
- 3. The Government of India had issued the guidelines on administration of the SDRF/NDRF for the Award period of 14th Finance Commission for the period 2015-16 and will continue till further order.
- 4. Keeping in view of the spread of COVID-19 outbreak in India and the declaration of COVID-19 as pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO), the Central Government's vide letter No. 33-4/2020-NDM-I, dated 14th March 2020 and dated 28th March 2020, by way of a special one-time dispensation, has decided to treat COVID-19 as a notified disaster for the purpose of providing assistance under SDRF on (i) Measures for quarantine for sample collection and screening (ii) Procurement of essential equipments/ labs for response to COVID-19 and (iii) Relief measures provision for temporary accommodation, food, clothing, medical care etc. in relief camps, under the existing guidelines and norms of SDRF.

- 5. Pending finalization of new guidelines consequent to the Award of 15th Finance Commission, on constitution and administration of the SDRMF/ SDRF/ SDMF and norms of assistance/ expenditure for the Award period of 2020-21, it has decided to extend the validity of existing guidelines dated 30th July 2015 and norms dated 8th April 2015 as modified on 14th March 2020 and 28th March 2020 of SDRF for a further period of one year or till such time new guidelines/ norms are framed, whichever is earlier. This will however be subject to the recommendations of 15th Finance Commission with regard to funding windows of SDRF and SDMF.
- 6. The aforesaid guidelines and norms of expenditure & further modified norms can be downloaded from website of Disaster Management Division of Ministry of Home Affairs i.e. www.ndmindia.nic.in.
- 7. A copy of this communication is also being sent to the Accountants Generals of the States for necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

(Ashish Kumar Singh) Under Secretary (DM-I)

Tel: 23438103

Copy for information to:

- 1. Accountants General of all States.
- 2. Controller General of all Accounts (CGA), New Delhi.
- 3. Controller & Auditor General (CAG), New Delhi.

Copy to:

- 1. Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure), North Block, New Delhi.
- 2. Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 3. Member Secretary, National disaster Management Authority, NDMA Bhawan, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi.

No. 33-08/2020-NDM-I

Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division)

> 'C' Wing, 3rd Floor, NDCC-II, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi, Dated 27th May, 2020

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The Chief Secretaries (All States)

Subject: List of Item and Norms of assistance under State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF).

Sir/ Madam,

I am to refer to this Ministry's letter No. 32-7/2014-NDM-I dated 08th April 2015 and letter No. 33-05/2020-NDM-I dated 9th April 2020 on the subject mentioned above and to say that locust control activities, during a notified calamity, has been included in the list of eligible items & norms of assistance under from SDRF and NDRF. In this regard a new entry is added after item (13) under revised list of Item and Norms, as under:

SI.	Items	Norms of assistance
14	tractors, with spray	As per the actual cost, based on assessment of need by the State Executive Committee (SEC) and recommended by the Central Team (in case of NDRF).
	chemicals for pest control; hiring of water tankers; and purchase of plant protection chemicals for	The quantum of assistance will be limited to the actual expenditure incurred on hiring vehicles, tractors with spray equipments for spraying of plant protection chemicals for locust control during a notified natural calamity. However, expenditure on this account should not exceed 25% of SDRF allocation for the year.

Yours faithfully,

(Sanjeev Kumar Vindal)

Joint Secretary to Government of India

Tel: 23092722

Copy to AS (UT), MHA for making similar provisions for utilization of UT Disaster Response Funds by the Union Territories.

CC for information: PS to HM/ MOS(N)/ HS/ Secretary (Expenditure).

No. 33-04/2020-NDM-I Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division)

'C' Wing, 3rd Floor, NDCC-II, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi, Dated 14th July, 2020

To

The Chief Secretaries, (All States)

Subject: Item and Norms of assistance under State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) in the wake of COVID-19 Virus Outbreak.

Sir/ Madam,

I am directed to refer this Ministry's letter of even number dated 14th March 2020 on the above mentioned subject and to enclose herewith partially modified list of items and norms of assistance for containment of COVID-19 Virus in India, eligible from SDRF with the overall capping of 35%.

Yours faithfully,

(M. Subramanian)

Deputy Secretary to Government of India

Tel: 23438123

Encl .: - As above.

Copy to:

Additional Secretary (UT), MHA for making similar provisions for utilization of UT Disaster Response Funds by the Union Territories.

CC for information: PS to HM/ MOS (N)/ HS.

Annexure to Ministry of Home Affairs letter No. 33-4/2020-NDM-I dated 14-07-2020 Modified List of items & norms of assistance from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) in the wake of COVID-19 virus outbreak

Sl. No.	ITEMS	NORMS OF ASSISTANCE
1	2	3
1.	Measures for quarantine, sample collection and screening:	
	 (a) Provision for temporary accommodation, food, clothing, medical care, etc. for people affected and sheltered in quarantine camps (other than home quarantine) or for cluster containment operations. (b) Cost of consumables for sample collection. (c) Support for checking screening and contact tracing. 	Total expenditure on account of items 1 and 2 should not exceed 35% of the annual allocation of the SDRF. As such funding percentage of SDRF between these two items is interchangeable, subject to overall capping of 35%. In these items, the other terms and conditions of the norms of assistance shall remain the same as earlier.
2.	Procurement of essential equipments/ labs for response to COVID-19: (a) Cost of setting up additional testing laboratories within the Government and the cost of consumables. (b) Cost of personal protection equipment for healthcare, municipal, police and fire authorities. (c) Cost of Thermal Scanners, ventilators, air purifiers, and consumables for Government hospitals.	

Note:-

- (i) SEC shall ensure overall oversight mechanism so that no duplication takes place with reference to other Government schemes.
- (ii) Any amount spent by the State for COVID-19, over and above the ceiling, would be borne out of the resource of the State Government and not from SDRF.

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No. 33-04/2020-NDM-I Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division)

> 'C' Wing, 3rd Floor, NDCC-II, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi, Dated 23rd September, 2020

To

The Chief Secretaries, (All States)

Subject: Item and Norms of assistance under State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) for containment measures of COVID-19.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer this Ministry's letter of even number dated 14th July 2020 on the above mentioned subject and to enclose herewith partially modified list of items and norms of assistance for containment measures of COVID-19 in the country, eligible from SDRF by way of special one-time dispensation with the overall capping of 50%, for the financial year 2020-21.

2. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

(M. Subramaniam)

Deputy Secretary to Government of India

Tel: 23438123

Encl.: As above.

- I. Copy for making similar provisions for utilization of UT Disaster Response Funds by the Union Territories:
 - (i) Additional Secretary (JKL), MHA
 - (ii) Additional Secretary (UT), MHA
- II. CC for information: PS to HM/ MOS (R)/ MOS(N)/ HS.

Annexure to Ministry of Home Affairs Letter No. 33-4/2020-NDM-I dated 23rd September, 2020 Modified List of items & norms of assistance from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) in the wake of COVID-19 outbreak for F.Y. 2020-21

Sl. No.	ITEMS	NORMS OF ASSISTANCE
1	2	3
1.	Measures for quarantine, sample collection and screening:	
	(a) Provision for temporary accommodation, food, clothing, medical care, etc. for people affected and sheltered in quarantine camps (other than home quarantine) or for	Total expenditure on account of items 1 and 2 should not exceed 50% of the annual allocation of the SDRF.
	cluster containment operations. (b) Cost of consumables for sample collection.	As such funding percentage of SDRF between these two items is interchangeable, subject to overall capping of 50%.
	(c) Support for checking screening and contact tracing.	In these items, the other terms and
2.	Procurement of essential equipments/ labs for response to COVID-19:	conditions of the norms of assistance shall remain the same as earlier.
	(a) Cost of setting up additional testing laboratories within the Government and the cost of consumables and testing kit.	
	(b) Cost of personal protection equipment for healthcare, municipal, police and fire authorities.	
	(c) Cost of Thermal Scanners, ventilators, air purifiers, oxygen generation and storage plant in hospitals, strengthening ambulance services for transport of patients, setting up containment zones, Covid -19 hospital, Covid-19 care	
	centres and consumables in the Government hospitals.	

Note:-

- (i) SEC shall ensure overall oversight mechanism so that no duplication takes place with reference to other Government schemes.
- (ii) Any amount spent by the State for COVID-19, over and above the ceiling, would be borne out of the resource of the State Government and not from SDRF.

(M. Subramanian)

Deputy Secretary to Government of India

No. 33-04/2020-NDM-I Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division)

'C' Wing, 3rd Floor, NDCC-II, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi, Dated 15th April, 2021

To

The Chief Secretaries,

(All States)

Subject: Item and Norms of assistance under State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) for containment measures of COVID-19.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 23.09.2020 on the subject.

- 2. The Central Govrnment, keeping in view the recent surge in COVID-19 cases in the country, by way of special onetime dispensation, has decided to extend the same dispensation allowed to States, to utilise upto 50% of their annual allocation of SDRF, for containment measures of COVID-19 in conformity with the approved items & norms (copy given in Annexure) during the financial year 2021-22.
- 3. States are again requested to submit details of expenditure incurred from SDRF on COVID-19 containment measures to this Ministry through the online portal namely, National Disaster Management Information System (NDMIS) at www.ndmis.mha.gov.in.
- 4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

(Pawan Kumar)

Deputy Secretary to Government of India

Tel: 23438123

Encl.: As above.

- i) Copy for making similar provisions for utilization of UT Disaster Response Funds by the Union Territories:
 - (a) Additional Secretary (JKL), MHA
 - (b) Additional Secretary (UT), MHA
- ii) CC for information: PS to HM/ MOS (R)/ MOS(N)/ HS.

Annexure to Ministry of Home Affairs Letter No. 33-4/2020-NDM-I dated 15th April, 2021 Modified List of items & norms of assistance from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) in the wake of COVID-19 outbreak for F.Y. 2021-22

Sl. No.	ITEMS	NORMS OF ASSISTANCE
1	2	3
1.	Measures for quarantine, sample collection and screening:	
	(a) Provision for temporary accommodation, food, clothing, medical care, etc. for people affected and sheltered in quarantine camps (other than home quarantine) or for cluster containment operations.	Total expenditure on account of items 1 and 2 should not exceed 50% of the annual allocation of the SDRF.
	(b) Cost of consumables for sample collection.(c) Support for checking screening and	As such funding percentage of SDRF between these two items is inter-changeable, subject to overall capping of 50%.
	contact tracing.	
2.	Procurement of essential equipments/ labs for response to COVID-19: (a) Cost of setting up additional testing laboratories within the Government and the cost of consumables and testing kit.	In these items, the other terms and conditions of the norms of assistance shall remain the same as earlier.
	(b) Cost of personal protection equipment for healthcare, municipal, police and fire authorities.	
	(c) Cost of Thermal Scanners, ventilators, air purifiers, oxygen generation and storage plant in hospitals, strengthening ambulance services for transport of patients, setting up containment zones, Covid -19 hospital, Covid-19 care centres and consumables in the Government hospitals.	

Note:-

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