Disaster Management Community

Community Update

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From the Resource Team

Dear Members,

In the year 2015, United Nations organised and facilitated the process of evolving consensus among all countries to develop 3 Global Documents - Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, Sustainable Development Goals 2015-30 and UNFCC (CoP-21). The consensus was arrived due to pivotal role played by World leaders, UN agencies, INGOs, Academic and Research Institutions, and thousands of front line workers. The year 2016, will lay down the path for transforming the global documents into actions.

As the global leaders were dialoguing the contents and targets in the Global documents to ensure their respective countries interests are not jeopardized at the global meets. Whereas, the Nature was not in favour for any consensus and some of natural disaster events such as Cyclone Pam in the Republic of Vanuatu in the South Pacific Ocean, Hurricane Joaquin in South East of USA, Earthquake in Nepal and Afghanistan, Cyclone Komen and HudHud, Heavy Rains in West Bengal, Gujarat, Jammu & Kashmir, Assam, Mumbai and Tamil Nadu, causing severe floods; Heat wave in Andhra Pradesh and Telegana, indicated the Nature's fury against little being done to Protect the World by its inhabitants.   These events calls for collective wisdom and action at all levels by all stakeholders.

Kudos to the Government of India for playing a significant role at the Global Meets. Before the UNFCC could start in Paris, India pledged to source 40% of its electricity from renewable and other low-carbon sources by 2030; It will be hosting the first AMCDRR in 2016 as a follow-up to SFDRR. Government of India hosted the first 4 day South Asian Annual Disaster Management Exercise" (SAADMEx) workshop (23 to 26 Nov) and one day SAARC workshop on best practices (27 Nov), indicating its seriousness to address DRR and CCA issues in the Asian region.

During the year 2015, DM Community of Practice produced 16 knowledge products and shared relevant news and views through 11 Community Updates. Shared information on trainings, workshops and conferences. All these has been possible due to the continued support from members, who shared information, resources and topics for discussion.

In the year 2016, efforts will be made to identify knowledge gaps that could feed into policy and program areas, build linkages with academic and research institutions to foster knowledge dissemination and learning; promote virtual dialogue through webinar, skype and other modes of virtual technology. To make the DM Community more vibrant and relevant, request members to share their contact details, knowledge areas for discussion, research papers for peer review, case studies and documents.

Thank all the members for their support during the year 2015 and eagerly look forward for active participation in the year 2016.
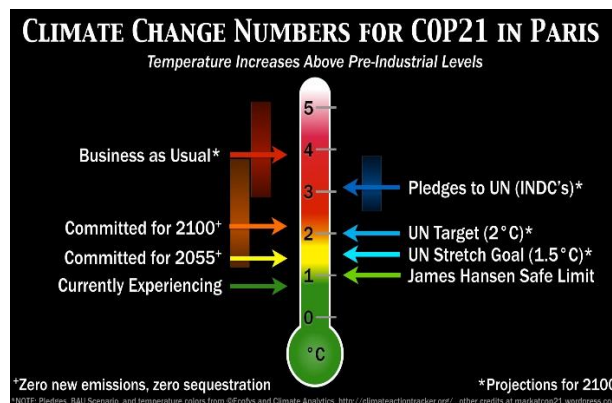
G. Padmanabhan and Mahendra R,

Resource Team, DM Community of Practice,
UN Solution Exchange.

Members Postings

Recently Held - Workshops and Conferences

From, *Mahendra Rajaram*, *UNDP, New Delhi.*

The Paris Climate Change Conference convened from 29 November to 13 December 2015, in Paris (Cop-21), France, brought together over 36,000 participants, nearly 23,100 government officials, 9,400 representatives from UN bodies and agencies, intergovernmental organizations and civil society organizations, and 3,700 members of the media. Focus in Paris centred on advancing negotiations on the Paris Outcome, including a legally-binding agreement and associated decisions, to fulfil the mandate outlined in Durban, South Africa, at COP 17. Parties adopted 34 decisions, 23 under the COP and 12 under the CMP that, *inter alia*. To read the summary of the Paris Climate Change Conference, please click on http://www.iisd.ca/vol12/enb12663e.html

Upcoming Events

From, *Mahendra. R,* *UNDP, New Delhi*

UNISDR Training Calendar.

This is the global disaster risk reduction calendar of events. UNISDR also organizes and participates in various disaster risk reduction events around the world. Want to add your event to the global disaster risk reduction calendar? Click on the link below link to view trainings, workshops, meetings planned for the year 2016 https://www.unisdr.org/we/inform/events

From *UN-SPIDER Team*. *Global.*

Community News

New Query
A new query titled "**Disaster Management Education in School Curriculum- Examples; Referrals. Reply by 20 January** ", is posted for members response. Please click **here** to view the query.

From Our Partners
National Institute for Disaster Management, New Delhi is conducting number of training programs, events and online courses. For more details please visit http://nidm.gov.in/default.asp

UN News for India and Bhutan
The UNIC December 2015 newsletter covers news related to the success of COP-21 held in Paris, UN @ 70 program in Kerala, Human Rights Day and Seminar on UN reforms. For more information click on the site http://www.unic.org.in/Newsletter_Dec2015.pdf

Update your Profile!
Request members to share the latest contact details to enable us to be in contact. Please click here to update your contact *(Your Name, Organisation, Email Id and Mobile Number).*

Membership

We request members to spread word within your network, about Disaster Management Community of Practioners, UN Solution Exchange and request them to become members of the community or ask them to write to: se-drm@solutionexchange-n.net.in

Announcements

Job Opportunities

From *Mahendra.R,* *UNDP, New Delhi.*

Walk-in-Interview for Technical Positions:
Disaster Management Institute (DMI), Bhopal is one of the reputed institutes in the area conducting Trainings, Awareness, Consultancy, Certification, Policy and Advocacy in the area of Disaster Management.. For more details, please visit the link provided http://www.dmibhopal.nic.in/1849.pdf.

Greetings from the UN-SPIDER Team. We are pleased to make you aware of and to encourage you to participate in the United Nations/India Workshop on the **Use of Earth Observation Data in Disaster Management and Risk Reduction: Sharing the Asian Experience**, HYDERABAD, INDIA, 8-11 MARCH 2016. http://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/ourwork/psa/schedule/2016/workshop_india.html

The United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA), through its Programme on Space Applications and the UN-SPIDER platform, and the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), are jointly organising the workshop in order to share experience from Asia and other parts of the World in using Earth observation for disaster management.

The last date for registration is 11 January 2016.

Resources

From Lars Bernd, UNICEF, New Delhi

Please find a brief outline to the 3 studies commissioned by UNICEF – DRR Section in 2014.

Adolescents Participation in DRR and CCA decision making: To identify opportunities for adolescents' participation in decision-making affecting their lives with a focus on risk reduction and improved resilience in face of challenges posed by disasters and climate change impact. The document can be viewed at http://solutionexchange-un.net.in/IMEP_CCDRRKnowledge_FINAL.pdf

Review of CCDRR/CCA programming knowledge of key stakeholders: To analyze level of knowledge amongst key institutions and stakeholders on issues relevant to effective programming on DRR and CCA with focus on children. The study is a Review cum scoping analysis of DRR-CCA knowledge of various stakeholders. The document can be viewed at http://solutionexchange-un.net.in/IMEP_Essential Services Plan.pdf

Review of gaps and opportunities in state plans for improved access to essential services: To identify gaps and opportunities in key state disaster management-related plans for incorporation of measures ensuring improved access to services for children and their caregivers in humanitarian and recovery situations. The

Walk in interview for "Chair on Disaster Management" at DMI.
The Chair will conduct research for development of disaster management as a whole considering the preparedness, mitigation, response and rehabilitation. The Chair will recruit persons on contract basis. For details please visit the site mentioned below. http://www.dmibhopal.nic.in/1850.pdf

Earthquake in Manipur

From Kayilie Lalorkim, UNV, Manipur

An earthquake measuring 6.7 magnitude hit North East India, near its borders with Myanmar and Bangladesh, killing at least 7 people and injuring over 100 persons. The quake hit at 04:35 local time (23:05 GMT Sunday) about 29km (18 miles) North West of Imphal, the capital of Manipur state.

Images from Manipur.

South India Floods:
The **2015 South Indian floods** resulted from heavy rainfall during the annual North East monsoon in November–December 2015. They affected the Coromandel Coast region of the South Indian states of Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh, and the Union Territory of Puducherry, with Tamil Nadu and the city of Chennai particularly hard-hit. Nearly 600 people have died and over 1.8 million people have been displaced. Damages and losses have unofficially been estimated to exceed US$15 billion. The flooding has been attributed to the El Niño phenomenon during the El Niño year of 2015.
Images

document can be viewed at http://solutionexchange-un.net.in/IMEP_AdolescentParticipation_FINAL.pdf

Consolidate Replies posted in the year 2015.

Query: Urgent-Identifying Opportunities; Knowledge Partnerships; Outreach for Multiple Languages using New Technologies. Advice; Referrals. **By G. Padmanabhan, and Mahendra Rajaram, UNDP, New Delhi. Posted Date: 6 December 2014. Issue Date: 16 January 2015**
The query identified opportunities and collaborations for knowledge partnership and technologies for collation and dissemination of knowledge. **Download: PDF (Size: 616 KB)**

Query: Disaster Management in Schools and School Systems- Examples; Referrals. **By Saswati Paik, Faculty, Azim Premji University, Bangalore. Posted Date: 8 October 2014. Issue Date: 23 January 2015**
The query was collating information on school level policies on Disaster Management from various States of India and data base of schools affected by natural disasters. **Download: PDF (Size: 332 KB)**

QUERY: Developing India Disaster Risk Reduction Portal -Advice; Referrals. **By Sreeja Nair, Faculty, National Institute for Disaster Management-NIDM, New Delhi. Posted 22 December 2014. Issue Date: 01 March 2015.**
The query received inputs in the development of knowledge portal for Disaster Risk Reduction that is planned to be set-up at NIDM. **Download: PDF (Size: 264 KB)**

Query: Collaboration for Marketing of Products Made by Women Flood Victims - Referrals **By Raheela Saleem Narchoor, Centre for Human Development (CHD), Anantnag, Jammu and Kashmir.**
***Posted 09 December 2014.* Issue Date: 30 March 2015**
The query explored the livelihood options for the flood affected victims in Jammu and Kashmir and potential markets for Tilla and Aari works and possibility of collaborations across the country. ***Download: PDF (Size: 198 KB)***

Query: Future Role of Humanitarian Aid in India-Experiences; Referrals. **By Anthony Chettri, Caritas-India, Delhi. Posted 21 January 2015. Issue Date: 14 April 2015.**
The query discussed the role of Humanitarian agencies, their challenges in the changing financial and political scenario in Indian context. **Download: PDF (Size: 416 KB)**

QUERY: Developing Web Portal for OSDMA-Advice; Referrals. **By Kamal Lochan Mishra, Odisha State Disaster Management Authority, Bhubaneshwar, Odisha. Posted 25 March 2015. Issue Date: 12 May 2015.**
The query was raised to seek inputs in develop a web portal for Odisha State Disaster Management Authority and a suitable design for the portal. **Download: PDF (Size: 303 KB)**

QUERY: Dreaming of 4 Smarter Indian Cities - Sustainable, Safe and Sensitive. Experiences; Advice. **By Anshu Sharma, Saferworld Communications, New Delhi.**
Posted 22 December 2014. Issue Date: 19 May 2015.
The query was exploring and re-defining the smartness in the area of engineering that governs growth, safety and sustainability of the cities. **Download: PDF (Size: 764 KB)**

Discussion: Observing 10th Anniversary of the Indian Ocean Tsunami-Lessons and Voices; Examples; Advice. **By Vijayalakshmi Viswanathan, Saferworld Communication, New Delhi. Posted 06 December 2014. Issue Date: 03 June 2015**

A 24 hour discussion was taken up to reflect on the learnings after 10 years of Tsunami 2004 and challenges we face today on Disaster Risk Reduction. **Download: [PDF](#) (Size: 1591 KB)**

Query: Disaster Risk Reduction to Alleviate Poverty-Experiences; Examples. **By [Munish Kaushik](#), Cord Aid, New Delhi. Posted Date 14 March 2015. Issue Date 4 June 2015.**
The query was to provide inputs to SFDRR as how poverty alleviation and DRR can be integrated and also how to involve private sector to invest in DRR and poverty. **Download: [PDF](#) (Size: 132 KB)**

QUERY: Sexual Reproductive Health During and Post Crisis. Experiences; Examples. **By [Aditi Ghosh,](#) Emergency Response Manager, SPRINT project, International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF). Posted on 09 March 2015. Re-issue date: 17 June 2015.**
The query was posted as the topic was discussed during the side events of 3rd World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction. The responses were shared in the side event. **Download: [PDF](#) (Size: 482 KB)**

Query: Preparing DRR Roadmap 2015-30 for Disaster Management Department, Bihar - Experiences; Referrals. **By [Kaustubh Devale](#), Member, Drafting Committee on DRR Roadmap (2015-30), Disaster Management Department, Government of Bihar. Posted 6 June 2015. Issue Date: 2 July 2015.**
The query sought inputs from members to draft DRRR Roadmap for Bihar State on the lines Sendai Framework for DRR. **Download: [PDF](#) (Size: 262.69 KB)**

Discussion: School Safety Program in Bihar against Disasters-Advice; Referrals. **By [Anand Bijeta](#), Bihar State Disaster Management Authority. Government of Bihar. Posted 16 June 2015. Issue Date: 17 July 2015.**
The discussion was to seek ideas as how to enhance the quality and reach out of School Safety Program in Bihar and also IEC /ICT materials to be used in the mission. **Download: [PDF](#) (Size: 525 KB)**

DISCUSSION: Recommendations to the World Humanitarian Summit-Experiences; Examples. **By [Manoj Dash,](#) Sphere India, New Delhi. Posted 23 July 2015.**
Issue Date: 11 September 2015
The discussion was centered on Humanitarian effectiveness to reduce vulnerability and managing risks. The recommendations were to the World Humanitarian Summit. **Download: [PDF](#) (Size: 460 KB)**

QUERY: Strategies for Rehabilitation of Nepal Earthquake Victims-Experiences; Referrals. **By [Smita Premchander,](#) Sampark, Bengaluru, Karnataka.**
Posted 21 May 2015. Issue Date: 28 October 2015.
After the Nepal earthquake, NGOs were emphatically were involved in rescue and rehabilitation work. Sampark sought expert inputs from members to enhance their quality of intervention. **Download: [PDF](#) (Size: 331 KB)**

Discussion: New Education Policy, **By [Shakila Shamsu,](#) Officer on Special Duty (NEP), Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development (MoHRD), Government of India. New Delhi**
Posted 9 July 2015. Issue Date: 19 October 2015
The Ministry of Human Resources Development, Government of India sought inputs from community of practioners to the 13 topics under School Education for formalizing New Education Policy. **Down load: [PDF](#) (Size: 940 KB)**

QUERY: Information on Scientific, Technological   and Academic Institutions - Advice; Referrals. **By [G. Padmanabhan and Mahendra.R](#), UNDP, New Delhi.**
Posted Date 2 September 2015. Issue Date: 14 December 2015
The CR is compilation of known institutions and organizations presently working at Global, South Asia, and India on Disaster Management, Risk Reduction and Climate Change. **Download: [PDF](#) (Size: 717 KB)**

Many thanks to all who contributed to this issue!

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