Course Objectives

- Develop understanding of disasters and disaster management
- Acquire a critical perspective of the policy framework, institutional structures and programmes for disaster management in India
- Understand the process and techniques of empowering communities in disaster preparedness and mitigation
- Learn the nature and scope of psychosocial care in disaster management

Learning Outcomes

- Will be an effective member in a multidisciplinary team, with comprehensive understanding and expertise knowledge to manage disaster.
- Will be able to address the psychosocial issues and appropriate referral in disaster management at all level.
- Able to do risk profiling and community based disaster management

COURSE CONTENTS:

Unit I: Conceptual Framework: Disaster Vulnerability and Risk

- Hazard, Risk, Vulnerability, resilience and Disaster; Natural and Human made Disasters
- Impact of disasters: Physical, economic, political, psychosocial, ecological, and others;
- Development induced disasters.
- Risk and vulnerability assessment with special emphasis on participatory tools and techniques.
- Disaster Management Cycle and its components; paradigmatic shift in disaster management; Integration of disaster management and development planning

Unit II: Disaster Management Initiatives and Community Interventions

- National & Global issues and initiatives- World Conference on Disaster Reduction (2005), Hyogo Framework for Action (2005-15) and Sendai Frame Work (2015-2030)
- Disaster Management Policy and programmes in India; National Disaster Management Framework. Understanding Disasters and responses in the North East
- National Guidelines on Psychosocial support and mental health services in disasters.
- Community Based Disaster Preparedness (CBDP) and Community Based Disaster Management (CBDM), Community based risk management and response plans; Community participation in managing and mitigating disasters, Stakeholder participation in disaster management.

Unit III: Social work Interventions and Psycho-social Care

- Prevention and disaster preparedness, mitigation; Contingency planning and crisis management
- Restoration and rehabilitation interventions, livelihood security and social justice concerns in disaster recovery and reconstruction
- Compensation and related issues in disaster management
- Mental health consequences of disaster: grief reactions, post-traumatic stress disorders, grief counseling with survivors etc

- Specific psychosocial needs of vulnerable groups like children, women, older persons and persons with disability
- Management and training of care givers, Social care of orphans, disabled and those facing destitution

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