EMPOWERING THE COMMUNITY TO COPE WITH DISASTER RISKS

Introduction

Institutionalising sustainable Community Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM) is one of the community-based key strategies to prepare for hazards and respond to disasters which can be sustained for long and becomes a practice for other related institutions. It focuses on reduction of human impact on natural hazards with support from local civil society, communities, households and individuals to become less vulnerable. Thus, preparedness can be done by strengthening their capacity to anticipate and cope with disasters.

SEEDS Learning Academy (SLA), New Delhi is going to organize 3 days "Workshop on Institutionalising Sustainable Disaster Risk management among Communities" during March 2020. This workshop is designed to impart knowledge on reducing disaster risk, preparedness activities and actions in the context of communities, while addressing simultaneously other drivers of vulnerability including environmental degradation, poverty and ill-health.

Objective

The objective is to enable participants to

1. Learn the meaning of important terms and their application in real life scenarios.
2. Hone the capacities and increase knowledge on CBDRM
3. Identify the successes and barriers of CBDRM processes and derive ways of institutionalizing them and making them sustainable.

Prospective participants

1. Local CSOs
2. DRR Practitioners.

Methodology

The training methodology uses face to face learning approach by experienced practitioners. The presentations by experts as well as through group work will include active participation with thinking points and small tasks. This will stimulate introspection and help in understanding engagement of the key stakeholders. On completion of training, each participant will be able to implement the learnings and will be certified from SEEDS Learning Academy.

How to apply

Interested candidates can apply along with duly filled up registration form on or before February 28, 2020. Registration form can also be accessed from the SLA website www.sla-edu.com.

The duly filled in registration form must be accompanied with paying the fees of INR 15000 via online transfer through SLA website.

Topics covered

1. Introduction to important terms related to CBDRM
2. Working of government ministries for Disaster Management
3. Understanding and evaluation of Risk with respect to Hazard, Vulnerability and Capacity
4. Sustainability, Institutionalisation and Success factors
5. Composition of Community and its role and participation
6. Adult learning methodologies and techniques
7. Role of Empowerment- Access and Control between community and NGOs
8. Steps and need to conduct CBDRM
9. Institutionalising sustainable CBDRM process
10. Success and barriers of CBDRM

Time & Venue of the Workshop:

The workshop will be conducted during March 03 (Tuesday) – March 05, 2020 (Thursday). The training is spread over 3 days. The workshop will be organized at the Conference Hall at SEEDS India, Delhi office.

Lunch will be provided at the venue. There is no accommodation or travel allowance provided to the outstation participants. Please refer to our general FAQs on SLA website for more details.

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About SEEDS Learning Academy

SEEDS (Sustainable Environment and Ecological Development Society) is a non-profit organisation working on building resilient communities through innovation in Asia. Founded in 1994, the promotion of a learning   culture has been embedded in its work. As part of its larger reconstruction, risk reduction and school safety initiatives, SEEDS has developed and delivered several learning and skills building programmes in India, and across the region. Safer construction techniques have been a key feature. These have also explored varied aspects of disaster management – from phases of the disaster cycle to social accountability and compliance with humanitarian standards; from housing and urban disaster risk reduction to school and hospital safety; from, livelihood protection to mainstreaming DRR and CCA into development.

Bringing this vast experience and knowledge together, comes the SEEDS learning academy. Leveraging a blended learning approach of digital media, traditional classroom methods and hands-on experience, it helps stakeholders hone their skills. The Academy offers four courses this year.

Munish Kaushik, Lead Facilitator

Munish is a development professional for last 17 years especially in the field of Disaster Management. He is Ex-Country Director of CORDAID India programme.   He was involved with NGOs in India, Bangladesh, Philippines and Indonesia. In India, he was core group member of National Disaster Management Authority and worked on "Role of communities in Disasters".

 Currently, he is also supporting Delhi Government on education reform and local Governance. He is also working as member (Education Task Force) in Delhi Government in education reform processes. From Jan 2010-Dec 2015, he was Country Representative (India) for Cordaid, Netherlands. In that position he got sufficient time and opportunity to perform at Grassroots, National and International level. He was engaged in providing partner support through project planning, resource mobilization, strategic thinking and lobbying an advocacy. In last 15 years, he has been extremely active with Government of India, National Disaster Management Authority, SPHERE India and other international donor agencies.

In past one decade, as Country lead and as facilitator/Evaluator, he has been engaged with different levels of organizations right from grassroot NGOs, middle level organizations as well as donor agencies both within and outside India. While engaging with these agencies, his role involved understanding their present capacity status and gaps, designing capacity building processes with them and working towards strengthening their present capabilities and strengthening organizational systems and pro.