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PREFACE

Centre for Disaster Management (CDM), LBSNAA is a capacity building and research centre functioning under the umbrella of LBSNAA, Mussoorie. Apart from conducting training programmes the Centre has been involved in formulation of national strategy for adaptation of the global best practices to suit Indian conditions in the field of disaster management. Centre is key national institution to impart comprehensive training on disaster management with a special focus on the IRS. The impact of disasters have been increased drastically in terms of human, economic and environmental losses. Climate Change have greater contribution to the increasing frequency, intensity and unpredictability of disasters.

The sound implementation of disaster management laws and policies can play an important role in mitigating the negative effects of disasters and can contribute to the development of more resilient societies. Disasters disrupt progress and destroy the hard-earned fruits of painstaking development efforts, often pushing communities, in quest for progress, back by several decades. Thus, efficient management of disasters, rather than mere response to their occurrence has, in recent times, received increased attention, both within the country and abroad. In a caring and civilized society, it is essential to deal effectively with the devastating impact of disasters, looking at the increased frequency and intensity of disasters in recent times.

In continuation to the successful publication of the three issue of the journal "Disaster-Response and Management" from Centre for Disaster Management, it is our pleasure to publish Volume 4, Issue 1 of the journal "Disaster-Response and Management" for the year 2015. The journal will provide an insight to administrators about the field level disaster management and scientific interventions towards Disaster Risk Reduction. I would like to place on record the contribution made by faculty and staff of CDM who have contributed in various capacities for bringing out this Journal.



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