



CENTRE FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT
Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie
In-Service Training Programme
**Whole-of-Government Approach for Disaster Resilience and
Quality of Living**
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PROGRAMME ESSENCE

1 PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The Centre for Disaster Management (CDM), LBSNAA is conducting a Five-Day (5) In-Service Training Programme titled "Whole-of-Government Approach for Disaster Resilience and Quality of Living." This programme is an initiative towards capacity-building of senior civil servants at national and sub-national levels and other stakeholders involved in India's governance architecture whose decisions directly shape national disaster preparedness, response, and long-term resilience.

Anchored in the five principles of Collaborate • Integrate • Prepare • Protect • Prosper, the programme adopts a multidisciplinary and whole-of-government lens to address complex systemic challenges at the nexus of disaster governance, climate resilience, inclusive development, and quality of life. Drawing on global frameworks such as the Sendai Framework for DRR (2015–2030), the Government of India Vision and emerging multilateral DRR commitments, the programme aims to equip participants with transformative leadership competencies for building a resilient and prosperous India.

2 OBJECTIVES

- a. To build a comprehensive, evidence-based understanding of India's multi-hazard risk landscape within the global context of climate change, rapid urbanisation, and demographic vulnerability.
- b. To strengthen institutional capacity for multi-sectoral, inter-ministerial, and civil-military coordination in disaster preparedness, response, recovery, and reconstruction under a whole-of-government framework.
- c. To expose participants to best practices in DRR, resilient infrastructure, disaster risk financing, and crisis communication.
- d. To enhance competencies in risk-informed policymaking, probabilistic risk modelling, early warning systems, and the deployment of emerging technologies — including AI, geospatial analytics, and digital twins — for evidence-based disaster governance.
- e. To promote inclusive, community-centred, gender-responsive, and disability-inclusive approaches to resilience building, aligned with the SDGs and India's NDCs under the Paris Agreement.
- f. To brainstorm Ministry/State-specific disaster resilience practices through structured exercises and peer-learning cohorts.
- g. To foster inter-service and inter-governmental collaboration, building a sustained peer network of senior officials committed to institutionalising disaster resilience and enhancing quality of living across sectors.

3 PROGRAMME PEDAGOGY

The programme adopts an advanced, multi-modal pedagogy specifically suited to the seniority and experience of participants. The pedagogical design prioritises active, experiential, and peer-learning modalities, rather than passive information transfer. The following methodologies will be employed:

- Expert-led sessions
- Discussion on Caselets & best practices
- Knowledge exchange & peer-learning cohorts
- Field immersion & exxhibition

4 THEMATIC FRAMEWORK AND COURSE CONTENT

Given the cross-cutting and systemic nature of disaster resilience, the programme incorporates both sectoral and thematic components spanning governance, technology, financing, climate action, and social inclusion. The seven core themes are as follows:

- Whole-of-Government Frameworks for Disaster Governance
- Sendai Framework & International DRR Commitments
- Climate Risk, Disaster Nexus & Resilient Infrastructure
- Evidence-Based Planning: Risk Assessment, Early Warning & Emerging Technologies
- Inclusive Governance, Community Resilience & Social Protection
- Urban Resilience, Quality of Living & Sustainable Development
- Disaster Risk Financing: Mechanisms, Instruments & Frameworks

5 TARGET GROUP OF PARTICIPANTS

The programme is designed for senior officials at the apex of governance, drawn from five eligible groups:

All India Services

IAS, IPS and IFS Officers with a minimum of 4 years' service as on 1 April 2026 (up to the 2021 batch).

CSS / CSSS Officers

Officers of the Central Secretariat Service and Central Secretariat Stenographers' Service at the level of DS / Director / Sr. PPS and above.

Training Institute Faculty

Faculty members from State ATIs and Central Training Institutions, engaged for a multiplier effect across the training ecosystem.

Central Staffing Scheme

Group 'A' Officers working under the Central Staffing Scheme in the Government of India.

Organised Group 'A' Services

Organised Group 'A' Central Civil Services officers in Cadre, or posted / deputed / working under State or Central Government (non-CSS).

6 EXPECTED PROGRAMME OUTCOMES

Whole-of-Government Coordination

Strengthened inter-ministerial and inter-governmental understanding of disaster governance frameworks and coordination mechanisms.

Global Best Practice

Exposure to internationally benchmarked DRR methodologies and their contextualised application to India's governance challenges.

Multiplier Effect

Catalytic multiplier effect through ATI faculty participation, embedding disaster governance content into State-level training programmes.

Risk-Informed Planning

Enhanced capacity to integrate risk-informed planning, disaster risk financing, and early warning systems into sectoral policies and budgets.

Sustained Peer Network

A sustained peer network of senior officials committed to institutionalising disaster resilience across sectors and tiers of government.