

**CERTIFICATE COURSE IN
Psychosocial Support in Disaster Management**

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Overview: This course on “psychosocial support in disaster management” is a blended learning program which combines both synchronous and asynchronous learning methods, targeting graduate from all disciplinary, who are interested to upgrade their knowledge and wants to learn the basic skills of psychosocial support in disaster management. The aim of this course is to provide basic knowledge and skilful learning on psychosocial support in disaster management, so that it will help to create psychosocial care givers among communities to provide psychosocial care services to the disaster affected areas. This course will help to understand the psychosocial impact of disaster in mankind and how one can deal with disaster survivor and give basic psychosocial support to them, normal and abnormal reaction to disaster, psychosocial first aid, the availability of governmental policies.

Course Objectives: This course will help to:

- Understand about Disaster and its psychological and psychosocial impacts
- Enhance knowledge and preparedness of disaster and post disaster recovery
- To create psychosocial care givers among communities to provide basic psychosocial care services to the disaster affected areas.
- To impart knowledge regarding Governmental and nongovernmental facilities, policies available for disaster management

Eligibility for the course: Graduate in any discipline.

Medium of Training: English

Mode of Training: Blended learning

Duration of Course: 1 month (4 weeks)

Session/Batches: every year two session (June & Dec session)

Number of seat: 25

Training Method :

This is a blended training program which combines both Synchronous and Asynchronous learning methods. Total duration of the course is for 4 weeks, comprising of 4 modules. The

approximate time to complete the course is about 8 hours of online interaction (2 hours every week) and 24 hours of self-paced e-learning content. Assignments would be provided during the course duration. Self-paced e-learning materials, assignments, audio video lectures, articles, guidelines and discussion forums will be provided using Google Classroom. Multipoint Videoconference via Zoom (free download) will be conducted every week using digital device, such as laptop, smartphone, desktop PC etc. for clarification of doubts, question answers & didactic lectures. Participation in the course would be monitored by Learning Management System.

Course Completion Criteria :

- The following criteria are to be fulfilled to be eligible for the award of Certificate More than 50% completion of Assignments (completion will be automatically calculated by the Learning Management System) + More than 80% participation in Video conference based discussion (as measured by the software).
- Assignments would be in the form of multiple choice questions, descriptive questions, in-session participation, and audio-visual documentation of activities. The assignment would be clearly introduced to participants at the end of completion of each module. Apart from the module-based assignment, the participants need to complete a final assignment at the end of module 4. They have to attend live-interaction sessions and at least 60 minutes of onscreen attendance to be recorded for final evaluation.
- Certificate will be awarded only to Course Completers. No certificate for Participation.

Course Description: The course will have the following four modules.

Module-1	An Overview of Disaster and Psychosocial support (Disaster various types, phases, impact of disaster and introduction to psychosocial support)
Module-2	Psychosocial support and care for Disaster survivor (understanding of psychosocial needs, normal and abnormal reaction to disaster and psychosocial intervention)
Module-3	Community based psychosocial intervention and psychosocial support for vulnerable groups (psychosocial intervention during different phases of disaster and care of vulnerable groups)
Module-4	Understanding disaster legislation and Disaster response authorities/policies available in India.

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