

HARYANA GOVERNMENT

REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

Notification

The 9th October, 2007

No. 1576-ER-6-2007/15911.—In exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-section (1) of Section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (53 of 2005), the Governor of Haryana is hereby establishes District Disaster Management Authorities in all the Districts of Haryana consisting of the following members, namely :—

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| 1. Deputy Commissioner of the District | Chairperson ex-officio |
| 2. Chairman of Zila Parishad | Co-Chairperson |
| 3. Additional Deputy Commissioner | Chief Executive Officer ex-officio |
| 4. District Superintendent of Police (for Gurgaon District)
Superintendent of Police/Deputy Commissioner of
Police (Headquarter) | Member ex-officio |
| 5. Chief Medical Officer | Member ex-officio |
| 6. The Superintending Engineer PWD (B&R) concerned | Member |
| 7. District Revenue and Disaster Management Officer | Member |

2. The Headquarters of each District Disaster Management Authority will be at the headquarters of the District.

3. The District Disaster Management Authority shall meet at least once in a year, as and when required at such time and place as the Chairman of the Authority may think fit.

4. The objectives, powers and functions of the District Disaster Management Authority shall be as follows :—

- (1) The District Authority shall act as the district planning coordinating and implementing body for disaster management and take all measures for the purposes of disaster management in the district in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the National Disaster Management Authority and the Haryana State Disaster Management Authority .
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of sub-clause (1), the District Authority may—
 - (i) prepare a disaster management plan including district response plan for the district.
 - (ii) coordinate and monitor the implementation of the National Policy, Haryana State Disaster Management Policy, National Disaster Management Plan, Haryana Disaster Management Plan and District Disaster Management Plan;
 - (iii) ensure that the areas in the district vulnerable to disasters are identified and measures for the prevention of disasters and the mitigation of its effects are undertaken by the departments of the Haryana Government at the district level as well as by the local authorities;
 - (iv) ensure that the guidelines for prevention of disasters, mitigation of its effects, preparedness and response measures as laid down by the National Authority and the Haryana State Disaster Management Authority are followed by all departments of the Government at the district level and the local authorities in the district.
 - (v) give directions to different departments at the district level and local authorities to take such other measures for the prevention or mitigation of disasters as may be necessary;

- (vi) lay down guidelines for prevention of disaster management plans by the department of the Haryana Government at the districts level and local authorities in the district;
- (vii) monitor the implementation of disaster management plans prepared by the Departments of the Haryana Government at the district level;
- (viii) lay down guidelines to be followed by the Departments of the Haryana Government at the district level for purposes of integration of measures for prevention of disasters and mitigation in their development plans and projects and provide necessary technical assistance therefor;
- (ix) monitor the implementation of measures referred to in item No. (viii);
- (x) review the State of capabilities for responding to any disaster or threatening disaster situation in the district and give directions to the relevant departments or authorities at the district level for their up-gradation as may be necessary;
- (xi) review the preparedness measures and give directions to the concerned departments at the district level or other concerned authorities where necessary for bringing the preparedness measures to the levels required for responding effectively to any disaster threatening disaster situation;
- (xii) organize and coordinate specialized training programmes for different levels of officers, employees and voluntary rescue workers in the district by State Centre for Disaster Management Haryana;
- (xiii) facilitate community training and awareness programmes for prevention of disaster or mitigation with the support of local authorities, governmental and non-governmental organizations;
- (xiv) set up, maintain, review and upgrade the mechanism for early warnings and dissemination of proper information to public;
- (xv) prepare, review and update district level response plan and guidelines;
- (xvi) coordinate response to any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
- (xvii) ensure that the Departments of the Government at the district level and the local authorities prepare their response plans in accordance with the district response plan;
- (xviii) lay down guidelines for, or give direction to the concerned Department of the Government at the district level or any other authorities within the local limits of the district to take measures to respond effectively to any threatend situation or disaster;
- (xix) advise, assist and coordinate the activities of the Departments of the Government at the district level, statutory bodies and other governmental and non-governmental organizations in the district engaged in the disaster management;
- (xx) coordinate with, and give guidelines to, local authorities in the district to ensure that pre-disaster and post-disaster management activities in the district are carried out promptly and effectively;
- (xxi) provide necessary technical assistance or give advise to the local authorities in the district for carrying out their functions;
- (xxii) review development plans prepared by the Departments of the Government at the district level, statutory authorities or local authorities with a view to make necessary provisions therein for prevention of disaster or mitigation;
- (xxiii) examine the construction in any area in the district and, if it is of the opinion that the standards for the prevention of disaster or mitigation laid down for such construction is not being or has not been followed, may direct the concerned authority to take such action as may be necessary to secure compliance of such standards;

- (xxiv) identify buildings and places which could, in the event of any threatening disaster situation or disaster, be used as relief centres or camps and make arrangements for water supply and sanitation in such buildings or places;
- (xxv) establish stockpiles of relief and rescue materials or ensure preparedness to make such materials available at a short notice;
- (xxvi) provide information to the Haryana Disaster Management Authority relating to different aspects of disaster management;
- (xxvii) encourage the involvement of non-governmental organizations and voluntary social-welfare institutions working at the grassroots level in the district for disaster management;
- (xxviii) ensure communication systems are in order, and disaster management drills are carried out periodically;
- (xxix) perform such other functions as the Haryana Government or the Haryana Disaster Management Authority may assign to it or as it deems necessary for disaster management in the District.

5. The Chairperson of the District Authority shall, in addition to presiding over the meetings of the District Authority, exercise and discharge such powers and functions of the District Authority as the District Authority may delegate to him/her.

6. The Chairperson of the District Authority shall in the case of an emergency have power to exercise all or any of the powers of the District Authority but the exercise of such powers shall be subject to *ex-post-facto* ratification of the District Authority.

7. The District Authority or the Chairperson of the District Authority may, by general or special order, in writing, delegate such of its or his powers and functions, under clause 5 or 6 above, as the case may be, to the Chief Executive Officer of the District Authority, subject to such conditions and limitations, if any, as it or he deems fit.

8. The District Authority may, as and when it considers necessary, constitute one or more advisory committees and other committees for the efficient discharge of its functions.

9. The District Authority shall, from amongst its members, appoint the Chairperson of the Committee referred to under clause 8 above.

10. Any person associated as an expert with any committee or sub-committee constituted under clause 8 above, may be paid such allowances as may be prescribed by the State Government.

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