

State Level Institutions:

State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA)

- The DM Act, 2005 provides for constitution of SDMA.
- The Chief Minister is the Chairperson of the SDMA
- Except Gujarat and Daman and Diu, all the states have constituted SDMA under the DM Act 2005.
- Gujarat has constituted its SDMA under its Gujarat State Disaster Management Act, 2003.
- Daman & Diu have also established SDMA prior to enactment of DM Act 2005.

State Executive Committee (SEC)

- THE DM Act 2005 envisages the established of the SECs
- The SEC is headed by the Chief Secretary of the state.

District Level Institutions

District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA)

- The DM Act also provides for constitution of DDMA for every district of a state.
- The District Authority is responsible for planning, coordination and implementation of disaster management and to take such measures for disaster management as provided in the guidelines.
- The Authority also has the power to examine the construction in any area in the district to enforce the safety standards.
- It is also responsible for arranging relief measures and respond to the disaster at the district level.

Institutional Framework in Metropolitan Cities

In larger cities, the Mayor, assisted by the Commissioner of the Municipal Corporation and the Police Commissioner are directly responsible for Crisis Management.

National Disaster Response Force (NDRF):

- The NDRF was constituted under the DM Act 2005.
- Presently, NDRF has strength of 12 battalions each with authorized strength of 1149 personnel.

Role of NDRF:

1. Provide specialized response for rescue and relief in case of disasters-natural and manmade.
2. Deployment in case of impending disasters.
3. Assistance to civil authorities in distribution of relief material during/after disaster.
4. Co- ordination with other agencies engaged in rescue/relief work

Tasks of NDRF:

- Deployment in case of impending disaster
- Provide specialist response in case of disasters which covers:
 - NBC Disaster (Decontamination of the area and personnel)
 - Removal of debris.
 - Extrication of victims-live or dead.
 - First medical response to victims.
 - To extend moral support to victims.
 - Assistance to civil authorities in distribution of relief material
 - Co-ordination with sister agencies.
 - Providing assistance to foreign countries if asked.
- Capacity building.