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# Comprehensive Framework for Disaster Management



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- Post Indian Ocean Tsunami (Dec. 2004) Special Session of SAARC Environment Ministers was held in Male in June 2005 (*Male Declaration*)
- Subsequently, India proposed to have a SAARC DM Centre in India – proposal accepted in the Thirteen SAARC Summit held at Dhaka in Nov. 2005
- **SAARC Comprehensive Framework for Disaster Management (SCFDM)** was articulated and discussed during Expert Group Meeting (Dhaka, 7-9 February 2006)
- Endorsed by the Seventh Meeting of the SAARC Environment Ministers (Dhaka, 24 May 2006)
- SCFDM was aligned with Hyogo Framework of Action (HFA 2005 - 2015)

- Establish and strengthen the ***Regional Disaster Management System*** to reduce risks and to improve response and recovery management at all levels;
- Identify and elaborate ***country*** and ***regional priorities for action***;
- ***Share best practices*** and ***lessons learnt*** from disaster risk reduction efforts at national levels;
- Establish a regional system to develop and implement ***regional programmes*** and ***projects for early warning***;
- Establish a regional system of ***exchanging information*** on prevention, preparedness and management of natural disasters;
- Create a ***regional response mechanism*** dedicated to disaster preparedness, emergency relief and rehabilitation to ensure immediate response; and
- Create a regional mechanism to ***facilitate monitoring*** and ***evaluation*** of achievements towards goals and strategies.

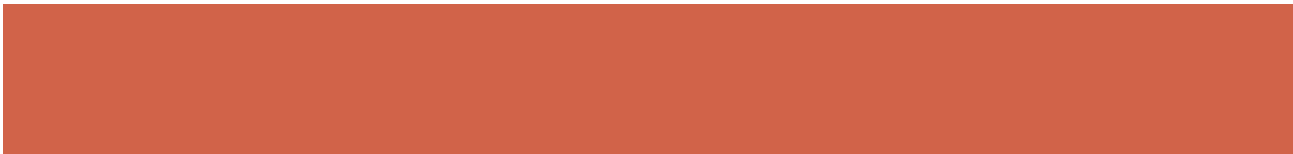
- An efficient *Disaster Management System*;
- *Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction* into the development policies and practices of the government at all levels;
- Disaster resilient communities that have *enhanced coping capacities* in relation to all hazards;
- Development of policies and programmes that recognizes all risks to the communities, and mitigation *strategies that are based on a risk management assessment*;
- Greater levels of *Coordination* and *Cooperation* at national, regional and international levels; and
- Enhanced *information, warning* and *reporting systems* within governments at all levels.

- **Professionalising** the disaster management system;
- **Mainstreaming** disaster risk reduction
- Strengthening of **community institutional mechanisms**;
- **Empowering** community at risk particularly women, the poor and the disadvantaged;
- Expanding risk **reduction** programming **across** a broader range of hazards (all hazards approach);
- Strengthening **emergency response systems**; and
- Developing and strengthening **networks** of relevant national, regional and international organizations.

- Based on recommendations of the HFA, Directives of SAARC meetings and the Dhaka Declaration 2005 of the 13<sup>th</sup> SAARC Summit
- 6 Priorities of Action were designed for period of 2006 – 2015
- General Considerations
  - Poverty reduction and sustainable development
  - Advocate & Adopt comprehensive approach to risk Reduction and DM
  - Integration of research outputs within development planning and community risk reduction strategies
  - Engage Govt. systems for risk Reduction and DM through Mainstreaming
  - Policy and framework for across governments sustainable coordination
  - Partnership with Govt., Civil society, Private Sector and other stakeholders
  - Emphasis on issues of Gender and Disadvantaged
  - Strong regional partnership and networks for DRR
  - Training Curriculum development ; high level Professional development
  - Learning from traditional and indigenous coping mechanism

1. Develop and implement risk reduction strategies
2. Establish regional and national response mechanism
3. Establish a regional information sharing and develop network of institutions and organisations
4. Develop and implement disaster management training, education, research and awareness programs
5. Apply the ICT for disaster management
6. Establish an effective monitoring and evaluation mechanism

Need for updation/ aligning (to  
SFDRR) of SAARC Framework for DRR

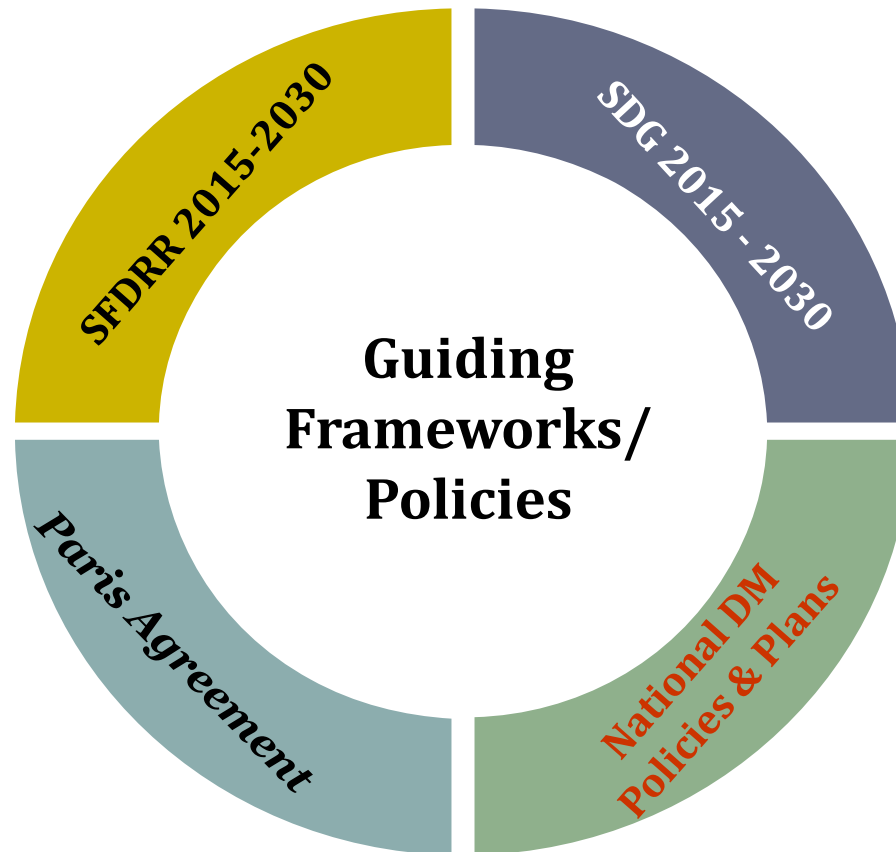


## Relevant Global, Regional & National Frameworks

Addis Ababa  
Action Agenda



Asia Action  
Plan 2018 - 20



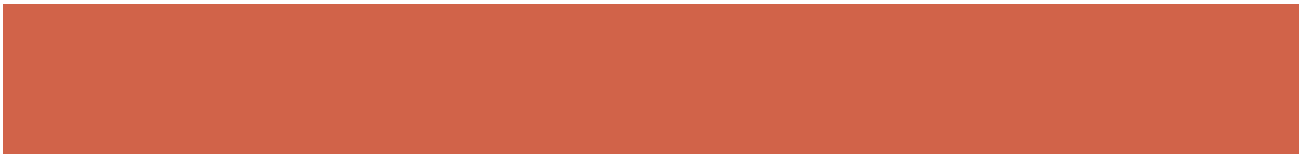
# Why Updation/ Alignment?

- Emphasis on Disaster Risk Management v/s Disaster Management
- Quantification of targets based on definition of seven global targets in SFDRR
- Strategies for states focused on preventing new risk, reducing existing risk and strengthening resilience
- All-of-society and all-of-State institutions approach
- Broadened scope of Disaster Risk : Natural and Human Induced hazards and related environmental, technological and biological hazards and risks.
- Promotion of preparedness of Critical Infrastructure

# Why Updation/Alignment?

- Emphasis on improved understanding of disaster risk in all its dimensions of exposure, vulnerability and hazard characteristics;
- Accountability of stakeholders for disaster risk management; preparedness to “Build Back Better”;
- Institutionalization of risk-sensitive investment to avoid the creation of new risk;
- Emphasis on resilience of health infrastructure, cultural heritage and workplaces;
- Strengthening of international cooperation and global partnership,
- Set of indicators to measure the progress in achieving the global targets of SFDRR

# Major Challenges



- ❑ **SDMC as 'Interim Unit'**
- ❑ **Unavailability of effective and uniform Disaster Information System** – lack of Baseline Data
- ❑ **Lack of Understanding of Risk** - *Unplanned construction, town planning, Population growth, Climate change etc. increases the vulnerability).*
- ❑ **Lack of Financial and Technical support** to enhances DRR efforts.
- ❑ **Resource Constraints**
- ❑ **Ensure balance** between SFDRR (alongwith other global framework), SAARC Charter (ensure unanimity and sovereignty) and National & Local DRR Strategies of the respective Member States

- ❑ Consultation amongst SAARC Member States
- ❑ Technical support from UNDRR (*10 principles*)/ Others
- ❑ Preparatory Drafting
- ❑ Inputs on the Draft Framework
- ❑ Approval through SAARC Process

# Thank You

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