

from irrevocable climate catastrophes likely to happen in near future. The Indian subcontinent too has started to face the heat of climate change. A significant part of North India experienced unprecedented heatwaves this year. Taking cognigance of the same, Sphere India along with a considerable support from our partners and local organizations conducted a Joint Rapid

Needs Assessment (JRNA) in six states of India in the month of April and published a concluding report inclusive of the short-term as well as the long-term measures, that can act as prepatory actions for future calamities. Ahead of the seventh Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction (GPDRR) held in Bali, Indonesia, Sphere India in association with the National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM) organized a National Consultation on disaster risk reduction. Experts from the government, UN, and grassroots NGOs discussed the challenges in achieving the SFDRR goals and suggested the way forward.

May issue of SAMANVAY brings forth details of the National Consultation for DRR and JRNA report along with other webinars and events held in the month of May 2022. Alongside, it depicts important events and initiatives undertaken by our member organizations, the government and the global humanitarian community. It will be our endeavour to make these newsletters as informative and useful for our readership as possible for which your feedback and suggestions are always appreciated.

CEO, Sphere India In this Issue National Consultation for DRR Global Updates JRNA Reports-Heatwave, Flood **News from IAGs**

 News from Members Plans Ahead Updates from Government

National Consultation for Disaster Risk Reduction

- With an aim to assess and discuss the progress on the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (SFDRR), the seventh Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction (GPDRR)

Panellists from different parts of the country sharing their views at the National Consultation for Disaster Risk Reduction Recommendation Report >> **Program Update Knowledge & Capacity Sharing Sphere India Academy** Session on Disaster Responsive Reporting by Media: Challenges & Way Forward Media being the Fourth Pillar of Democracy invariably is capable of assisting disaster management by educating the public; gathering and transmitting information; sharing specific need alerts, and facilitating discussions about disaster preparedness and response for continuous improvement. Sphere India organised a panel discussion on the Role of Media in Disaster Management, wherein, experts discussed Maj M K Bindal, former executive director, the linkage between Media & Disaster response agencies, NIDM their roles, challenges and the way forward. at the Sphere India Academy Session on Disaster Responsive Reporting by Media Session on Role of Faith Leaders in Promoting Peace, Tolerance, and Inclusion To commemorate the "International Day of Living Together in Peace ", Sphere India organised a panel

Panellists at the Sphere India Academy session on Role of Faith Leaders in Promoting Peace, Tolerance & Inclusion. Session on Disability Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction: Building a Community of Practice Despite clear indications to safeguard and ensure participation of the differently-abled in decision-making processes, at the international and national laws, Persons with Disabilities are still facing significant barriers in accessing their rights and support during emergencies. In lieu of this topic, an insightful session was organized by Sphere India in collaboration with CBM India on Disability Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction:

Plans/Policies/ Programmes at all levels of governance through the lens of DRR and CCA incorporating the latest developments at COP26 in Systems. The outcomes of the session included succinct knowledge of localized gaps and challenges, inputs

on the toolkit developed and potential pathways to the partnership.

As part of our communicating with the communities series, testimonies on local field interventions were collected from local CSOs working across the country. Key Informant Interviews were also conducted

Workshop on Participatory and Inclusive Disaster Management Planning: A workshop on Participatory and Inclusive Disaster Management Planning-Perspective from the Preparation of DDMPs

with various stakeholders on perspectives of strengthening humanitarian systems in the country.

Inter-Agency Coordination Emergency Coordination

Floods.

SECTORAL

THE WORST HIT

58 % HHs in Maharashtra

67 % HHs

Collaborative Advocacy

Panelists of the IFHA session held in Bihar on May 12

Collaborative Advocacy Committee Meeting

Ramanathapuram and Kanyakumari Districts of

Tamil Nadu. The program is being conducted in

association with DDMAs. The training will equip

the volunteers to make informed decisions at the

time of disasters. In addition to this, disaster

management training was provided to students of

nursing colleges in the vellore district of Tamil

Disaster Management Training conducted by ICDM for nursing student.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi chaired the highlevel meeting to review the processes of

Nadu and the UT of Puducherry.

The National Data and Analytics

Platform will democratise access to public government data.

resilience and adaptation.

of opportunity closes.

in youth and young professionals.

warning systems within five years.

Review of the Sendai Framework.

Heatwave

The Collaborative advocacy committee meeting held on 20th May 2022 discussed the key points and goals to be achieved in 2022-23. The committee members shared their views on

IMPACT*

Emergency Coordination activities were conducted in response to the heatwave in North India, floods in Assam and heavy rainfall and urban floods in Bengaluru. As many as 25 alerts for different hazards were circulated at grassroots-level NGO networks for disaster preparedness followed by four SitReps(Situation Reports) for these emergency events. Alongside, two emergency coordination meetings were conducted on Heatwave and Assam

View JRNAs >>

Glasgow 2021.

Accountability to Affected/At Risk Population

Communication with Communities

System Strengthening in Kerala



View SitReps >>

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WHAT CAN BE DONE

Food &Nutrition Make food kits available for people in need, special attention to pregnant women, elderly, children and lactating mothers, Distribute non-food

essential items, provide supplementary food

IMMEDIATELY?







3. Governments must honour commitments made in Glasgow to enhance financing for and support

4. Ensure participatory and human rights based approach in DRR planning and implementation. Invest

5. Implementation of the call by the UN Secretary-General to ensure every person is protected by early

6. The potentially transformative lessons learned from the pandemic must be applied before the window

7. Comprehensive and systematic reporting will help draw clear recommendations for the Mid-Term

Highlights from GPDRR 2022: Learnings for India >>

launch of the SFVC. Read More>>

architecture. Read More>>

participants Read More>>

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IAG Coordination and Emergency Meetings

ambition, and quality of the NDC. Read More>>

Sendai Framework Voluntary Commitment (SFVC) synthesis and analysis report provides synthesis and analysis of Voluntary Commitments (VCs) as well as informs the Midterm Review (MTR) of the implementation of the Sendai Framework regarding stakeholder contributions to the Sendai Framework implementation, by sharing identified trends and gaps derived from the analysis. The report is the second edition of a Sendai Framework Voluntary Commitment (SFVC) synthesis and analysis report. The first one was published in May 2019, shortly after the

UNDP's Climate Promise Progress Report: UNDP's Climate Promise remains the largest global offer of NDC support, covering over 120 countries and territories. As of 31 March 2022, 94 Climate Promise countries have submitted revised NDCs, representing 22.21% of global emissions and 84% of developing countries. In this latest progress report, see the latest key data and trends spanning the lifetime of the initiative, which provides a snapshot of current trends and insights on NDCs around the world, particularly focused on submission trends and status, assessment of

The third annual Global Action Plan for Healthy Lives and Well-being for All (SDG3 GAP) progress report illustrates how the Sustainable Development Goal-3 Global Action Plan is promoting synergies between pandemic responses and longer-term efforts to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals by creating an improvement platform for collaboration on health in the multilateral system. Country case studies showcase how collaboration is deepening. The report shows how incentives are essential to encourage closer collaboration in the global health

Elevating Meaningful Youth Engagement for Climate Action offers a guidance note of best practices and recommendations on how young people, climate change practitioners, governments, and development actors can join forces for youthinclusive and youth-led partnerships to achieve the Paris Agreement and to ensure that the world we leave to the future generations is clean, green, sustainable, and healthy. It advocates for meaningful youth engagement in climate action and the need to prevent youth from being reduced to another buzzword or to tick off a box of

State of the Global Climate 2021 Report provides a summary of the state of climate indicators in 2021 including global temperature trends and the distribution around the globe. The most recent findings are on Green House Gases concentration, Ocean indicators; extreme events including those related to tropical cyclones and wind storms; flooding, drought and extreme heat and cold events. The publication also provides climate change related risks and impacts on food security, humanitarian and population displacement aspects and impact on ecosystems.

> IAG Meetings: IAG Chhattisgarh conducted an all members meeting on 12th May 2022 in hybrid mode to discuss the formulation of the IAGs

> > solutions.

Organization: AFD Deadline: June 4 2022

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As the world is dealing with emergencies frequently,

where preventing religion-based discrimination and following the values of peace and harmony is the

need of the hour. Faith-based organizations, civil

society, and religious leaders have a vital role to

play in this scenario, Sphere India in collaboration with UNICEE India and World Vision India is organizing a series of sessions on Inter-Faith Humanitarian Alliance on Building Preparedness and Strengthening Community Resilience across the



Organization: UN Women

Upcoming Events

country.

For more details, contact Ms. Mansi Kaushik at mansi@sphereindia.org.in

Sphere India is in the process of finalizing the Handbook of Guidelines on Animal Management in Emergencies. The guidelines will be officially launched in the month of June. The final date will be shared shortly. These guidelines will highlight the key principles of actions and coordination to increase

For more details, contact Mr. Altamash Khan at altamash@sphereindia.org.in

Plans Ahead (May 2022)

Launch of Multi-Sector Coordination Handbook on Management of Animals during Disasters

Deadline: 3 June 2022

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the effectiveness and efficiency of the management of animals during disasters.

Accountability to Affected Population

2. Heatwave Preparedness Toolkit 3. Prepositioning database 4. RNA Tools updation 5. EPR Training in TN.

8. Multistakeholder Consultation on Monsoon Preparedness

9. India Humanitarian Logistic Hub Dashboard

Organization: HCL Foundation

Sessions on Inter-Faith Humanitarian Alliance

Deadline: 18 June 2022

Strengthening Community

Resilience through Humanitarian

Action and Information Sharing

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7. Approach & Methodology: PSEA Mechanism. Inter-Agency Coordination Contact: midhun@sphereindia.org.in 1. URS Matrix reforms

Knowledge and Capacity Sharing Focal Point: Nupur Tyagi- Program Manager, Knowledge and Capacity Sharing Contact: nupur@sphereindia.org.in 1. Partnership Standard Guidance- Revised Draft 2. Consultation with Academic Institutions 3. Regular Sessions on Sphere India Academy 4. Development of Training Portfolio

5. Study on Climate Budgeting 6. Training Need Analysis 7. Launch of Best Practices Documentation

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discussion on the Role of Faith Leaders in promoting Peace, Tolerance & Inclusion. The session experts made deliberations on how to promote reconciliation to ensure peace and sustainable development, by working with communities, and faith-based leaders. Representatives from different faith-based organizations concluded at a common point that kindness and benevolence is the key to peace and harmony. It was acknowledged that we often forget that religion was created to identify humans with one another and create linkages, affiliations and togetherness instead of professing hatred.

Participants of the webinar on Disability Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction Building a Community of Practice on 11th May 2022. Mainstreaming DRR and CC Adaptation into the Disaster Risk Management Systems Sphere India in collaboration with the National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM) organized a "Brainstorming Session on Disaster Management Plans (SDMPs and DDMPs) on 10th May. The session was joined by dignified and expert professionals from the field. The participants of the session represented National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), and State Disaster Management Authorities (SDMAs) from Kerala, Assam, Nagaland, Bihar, Maharashtra and Jammu and Kashmir. The session was focused on the crucial need and urgency of mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation into the Disaster Risk Management Systems at the national, state, district and local levels. Challenges faced by NDMA and SDMAs were highlighted during the discussion and led to the discovery of beneficial groundlevel insights. Sphere India also invited feedback on the draft of the "Analysis Toolkit" developed to assess Disaster Management



Joint Rapid Needs Assessment JRNA Report on Heatwave Situation in North Indian States As per IMD, March 2022 was the hottest month in the last 122 Sphere India oint Rapid Need Assessment Report years. Mitigating the impact of searing heat has become a pressing Delhi, Madhya Pradesh, Mahara aryana, Rajasthan & Uttar Prade challenge. In response to the frequent heatwave, Sphere India Heat Wave 2022

Heatwave-2022

Highlights of JRNA

May 2022

along with the support from partners and local organizations, conducted a Joint Rapid Needs Assessment (JRNA) across six states of India in the month of April 2022. The worst-hit areas of Delhi, UP, Haryana, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, and Rajasthan were covered in the survey. The JRNA report paints a clear picture of the impact caused by the heatwaves and the recommendations that can be adopted as a mitigating action for future calamities.

JRNA Report on Heavy Rainfall and Floods in Bengaluru Heavy downpour in Bengaluru on 17th May night, which continued till the wee hours of the next day, left many pockets of the IT capital inundated. The massive floods claimed human lives, infall & Urban Flood destroyed properties, and pushed 12 million-odd residents of the city to a state of despair. In response to the urban floods, Sphere India taking support from partners and member organizations conducted a Joint Rapid Needs Assessment (JRNA). The Joint Rapid Needs Assessment report provides a clear understanding of the impact of floods on people's lives and their recovery needs.

Bengaluru Flood-JRNA Report >>

Community

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Sphere India in collaboration with UNICEF and World Vision has been conducting a series of Inter-Faith Humanitarian Alliance sessions on "Building Preparedness and Strengthening

information sharing and humanitarian action. Altogether, 6 IFHA sessions have been conducted in Delhi-NCR, Rajasthan, UP, Bihar,

and capacity-building tool that enables remote,

disaster-prone Himalayan communities to reduce

their disaster risk. The organisation has installed

80 Automatic Weather Systems (AWS) in four

districts of Uttarakhand and trained 800 youth for

localised weather monitoring. Within the next two

months, another 63 AWS will be installed in 8

more districts across Ladakh, Himachal, Assam

Pragya team after the installation of Automatic Weather System in Assam

The National Data & Analytics Platform (NDAP) was launched by NITI Aayog for free public use. The platform intends to democratise access to public government data. It houses basic datasets from a variety of government departments, process them to provide analytics and visualisation capabilities. According to an official

statement, currently, NDAP hosts 203 datasets and these datasets

are chosen based on the use-case and expert advice,

interoperable with each other, and easy to download.

and Meghalaya.

Updates from Government

Prime Minister Chairs Review Meeting on Heatwave Management, Monsoon Preparedness

NITI Aayog Launches National Data and Analytics Plaform (NDAP) for Public Use

through

credible

Resilience

West Bengal and Madhya Pradesh.

Six Sessions of Inter-Faith Humanitarian Alliance Sessions Held across the Country



Action Plan. A meeting on Promoting Climate Resilience Systems and Practice in collaboration with IAG Lakhimpur, Majuli and Dhemaji was held in Assam on 27th May 2022. Meeting on Promoting Climate Resilience Systems and Practice in Assam

News from IAGs and State Networks

Focal Point: Dr. Henna Hejazi- Senior Manager, Programs Contact: henna@sphereindia.org.in 1. Tool kit on Minimum Standards for Relief. 2. Survey Questionnaire for IAGs on the AAP/CHS indicators 3. Webinar on Minimum Standards for Relief -Plan of Action for Minimum Standards in Practice 4. Plan of Action for Kerala system strengthening of District IAGs and NGO 5. Developing a conceptual document on CHS and AAP Technical Standards to set out the approach and methodology for developing the AAP Indicators 6. Futuristic partnership and collaboration with Sectoral Ministries on DRR and CCA. Focal Point: Midhun P Chandrababu- Program Coordinator, Inter Agency Coordination

6. Assessment Guide to understand the roles and responsibilities of stakeholders in Rapid and Detailed Need

7. Intensive URS for Development & DRR Nexus covering 200 plus organization from 26 plus states

8. Regular Updates on Social Media and Website Collaborative Advocacy Focal Point: Mansi Kaushik, Manager, Collaborative Advocacy Contact: mansi@sphereindia.org.in 1. Climate Budgeting Log Frame 2. Reflection Report on DRR and EPR Guidelines 3. Advocacy Committee Meeting 4. Release of Animal Protection Guidelines 5. IFHA Session in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Tamil Nadu 6. Developing Training Modules on Child Early & Forced Marriage (CEFM), Gender-Based Violence (GBV), Leadership in Girls, and Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) 7. Zero Draft for Media consultation Sphere India National Coalition of Humanitarian Agencies in India **Sphere India Secretariat** B-94, B Block, Sector 44, Noida, Uttar Pradesh 201303 (Near Botanical Garden Metro Station - Magenta Line)

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was held in Bali, Indonesia, from May 23 to May 28. Prior to the global event, Sphere India in collaboration with the National Institute of Disaster Management (Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India) organized a National Consultation for Disaster Risk Reduction on 20th May 2022. During the discussions, over 100 participants, expert panellists from the government, UN, INGOs, national NGOs, and grassroots organizations shared their challenges, learning, and recommendations on Disaster Risk Governance, DRR Financing, and Inclusion. The panellists also discussed some of the pressing challenges towards achieving the SFDRR goals and suggested the way forward on the basis of their