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CENTRAL ACT NO. 53 OF 2005

**THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2005**

(As passes by the House of Parliament)

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to provide for the effective management of disasters and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

be it enacted by Parliament in the Fifty-sixth Year of the Republic of India as follows :-

## CHAPTER I

### • Preliminary

1. (1) This Act may be called the Disaster Management Act, 2005.

(2) It extends to the whole of India.

(3) It shall come into force on such dated as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official gazette appoint; and different dates may be appointed for different provisions of this Act and for different States, and any reference to commencement in any provision of this Act in relation to any State shall be construed as a reference to the commencement of that provision in that State.

Short title,  
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Definitions.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

- (a) "affected area" means an area or part of the country affected by a disaster;
- (b) "capacity-building" includes—
- (i) identification of existing resources and resources to be acquired or created;
  - (ii) acquiring or creating resources identified under sub-clause (i);
  - (iii) organisation and training of personnel and coordination of such training for effective management of disasters;
- (c) "Central Government" means the Ministry or Department of the Government of India having administrative control of disaster management;
- (d) "disaster" means a catastrophe, mishap, calamity or grave occurrence in any area, arising from natural or man made causes, or by accident or negligence which results in substantial loss of life or human suffering or damage to, and destruction of, property, or damage to, or degradation of, environment, and is of such a nature or magnitude as to be beyond the coping capacity of the community of the affected area;
- (e) "disaster management" means a continuous and integrated process of planning, organising, coordinating and implementing measures which are necessary or expedient for—
- (i) prevention of danger or threat of any disaster;
  - (ii) mitigation or reduction of risk of any disaster or its severity or consequences;
  - (iii) capacity-building;
  - (iv) preparedness to deal with any disaster;
  - (v) prompt response to any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
  - (vi) assessing the severity or magnitude of effects of any disaster;
  - (vii) evacuation, rescue and relief;
  - (viii) rehabilitation and reconstruction;
- (f) "District Authority" means the District Disaster Management Authority constituted under sub-section (1) of section 25;
- (g) "District Plan" means the plan for disaster management for the district prepared under section 31;
- (h) "local authority" includes panchayati raj institutions, municipalities, a district board, cantonment board, town planning authority or Zila Parishad or any other body or authority, by whatever name called, for the time being invested by law, for rendering essential services or, with the control and management of civic services, within a specified local area;
- (i) "mitigation" means measures aimed at reducing the risk, impact or effects of a disaster or threatening disaster situation;
- (j) "National Authority" means the National Disaster Management Authority established under sub-section (1) of section 3;
- (k) "National Executive Committee" means the Executive Committee of the National Authority constituted under sub-section (1) of section 8;
- (l) "National Plan" means the plan for disaster management for the whole of the country prepared under section 11;

