

Details about HEDMaTC

VISION : To be the premier health emergency and disaster management training centre in South Asia

MISSION: Contribute to the development of knowledge, skills and attitudes needed for appropriate, efficient and effective management of health emergencies through training and research

OBJECTIVES :

- ⇒ Plan and carry out in-course training, seminars and workshops to increase the knowledge on Health Emergencies and Disaster Management in relevant professionals and thereby develop a core group of persons with expertise in these areas.
- ⇒ Establish and conduct postgraduate courses in Health Emergency and Disaster Management.
- ⇒ Promote research on Health Emergency and Disaster Management.
- ⇒ To establish regional and global links and networks in these fields

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**(Training Course in
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Introduction

Disasters of one form or another has become the norm of the day. Preparedness and availability of experts in disaster management can mitigate some of the ill effects of a disaster. To achieve this goal, the **Health Emergency and Disaster Management Training Centre (HEDMaTC)** has been conducting training programs since 2005. The training workshops on Disaster Management are aimed at middle and higher grade decision makers of institutions, organizations and private establishments, both local and overseas. The training program is recognized by the Ministry of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine and World Health Organization who are regular users and also contributors to the course. There were also participants from United Nations organizations, Sri Lanka Red Cross Society, Sarvodaya and from countries in the South East Asia Region. We are now prepared to conduct tailor-made courses which would suit any establishment/ institutions both local and overseas.

Target Group

Middle level and senior administrators of government institutions, officers working in emergency and disaster management preparedness, armed forces and police personnel, private establishments. (Such as hotels, banks, apparel industry, etc.)

The types of disasters dealt with the course.

- ◆ Landslides
- ◆ Earth Quakes
- ◆ Dam Bursts
- ◆ Fire
- ◆ Floods
- ◆ Building Collapses
- ◆ Storms

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At the end of the training program all the participants should be able to develop a plan for preventing and mitigating, and respond and prepare their organizations /establishments for disasters. Those who are working at National level in managing disasters. (E.g. health administrators armed and police personnel) will be able to handle natural disasters.

Duration

Three to five days depending on the organization (e.g. government, private institutions and private establishments– 3 days. For health administrators, armed forces and police personnel and those working at National level– 5 days)

Venue

University of Peradeniya, at your institution/ establishment or venue of your choice, if there is a sufficient number of participants.

Number of participants for a workshop is 25

The course is conducted in a way that participants actively engage in disasters, understanding principles and identifying problems in their own organizations/workplace and preparing a custom made plan to be implemented at workshop. The contextual issues addressed are,

- Introduction to Health Emergency Management
- Basics of disaster management
- Roles and Responsibilities of the Medical Officer as an Emergency Manager
- Role of the Health Sector , Cluster Systems and Health Cluster, Standards SOPs, Legislation, Regulations and International Covenants
- Leadership in Disasters
- Pre- hospital Care
- Preparedness Planning
- Rapid Health Assessment

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- Basics of emergency management
- Geographic information system(GIS)
- Planning Beyond Response (Rehabilitation and Mitigation)
- Managing the Internally Displaced Persons
- Managing the internally displaced persons
- Response Management
- Information Management
- Risk Communication
- Logistics and Supplies Management
- Public health Services in Disasters
- Sexual and Reproductive Health
- Non-communicable Diseases: Surveillance, Prevention and Control in Disasters
- Incident Investigation
- Mental health and Psychological Support
- Medico-legal Aspects
- Management of the Dead, Missing and the Injured
- Introduction to Hospital Emergency Plan
- Safe Hospitals & Mass Casualty Management
- Environmental Management
- Communicable Diseases: Surveillance, Prevention and Control in Disasters
- Outbreak Investigation
- Monitoring and Evaluation
- On final day, there will be a simulation exercise on managing a disaster at your own workplace.

Resource Persons

Senior staff of the Faculty of Medicine and other Faculties of University of Peradeniya, the World Health Organization and the Ministry of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine who have experience in managing disasters and in delivery of disaster management course.

Cost: Tuition Cost and the material cost is Rs.500, 000 for 25 participants.