

Name of Activity

**Disaster Management Camp** 

**Date of Conduction** 

23-12-2019

Organized by

**National Service Scheme** 

**Student Participated** 

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## **Brief Report**

On December 23, 2019, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University (BAMU), Aurangabad, organized a comprehensive disaster management training camp through its National Service Scheme (NSS) unit. The camp aimed to equip students and local community members with essential skills and knowledge to effectively respond to various types of disasters. The event saw enthusiastic participation from university students, faculty, and local citizens, reflecting a shared commitment to enhancing community resilience and safety. The objectives of the disaster management training camp were to enhance disaster preparedness, promote community awareness, foster volunteerism, support community resilience, and align with national initiatives. Pre-camp preparations included planning and coordination, forming a team, allocating resources, and promoting the event through university channels, social media, and local community networks.











Glimpses of Disaster organized by NSS

Community engagement was also held through engagement meetings with local leaders and residents, and registration desks were set up at the university and local community centers for participants to sign up. Pre-camp Orientation involved an orientation on the objectives of the camp and an overview of disaster management principles. Educational materials, including pamphlets and guides on disaster management, were distributed to participants. Camp activities and implementation included an inauguration ceremony, where the Vice-Chancellor of Dr. BAMU inaugurated the camp, highlighting the importance of disaster preparedness and community resilience. Guest speakers from local disaster management authorities provided insights on disaster risks and the role of community preparedness. Training sessions and workshops focused on disaster preparedness strategies, such as emergency planning, creating disaster kits, and developing evacuation plans. First Aid and Emergency Response training was provided, with participants learning essential first aid skills, emergency response techniques, and family preparedness. Community roles were discussed, and psychological support was demonstrated for volunteers to support disaster-affected individuals. Practical drills and simulations were conducted, including earthquake drills, fire safety drills, search and rescue simulations, and coordination exercises. Interactive sessions and feedback were collected to assess the effectiveness of the training and identify areas for improvement. Outcomes and impact of the disaster management training camp included enhanced disaster preparedness, increased awareness, strengthened community resilience, and the establishment of a volunteer network. Participants expressed appreciation for the practical skills and knowledge gained, emphasizing the value of hands-on training. Some participants suggested more frequent training sessions and expanded topics to cover a wider range of

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disaster scenarios. Logistical challenges were addressed through effective planning, coordination with local disaster management authorities, and the use of university facilities. Resource constraints were addressed through collaboration with local emergency services and disaster management organizations. Engaging the community was also facilitated through effective communication, community meetings, and partnerships with local leaders and organizations. Recommendations for future camps include regular training sessions, expanded topics, enhanced community outreach, and partnerships with experts. In conclusion, the disaster management training camp organized by the National Service Scheme at Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad, was a significant initiative that successfully equipped participants with essential skills and knowledge to respond to disasters. The camp emphasized the importance of preparedness, community involvement, and volunteerism, contributing to the overall resilience and safety of the community. The positive feedback and outcomes highlight the need for ongoing training and preparedness initiatives to ensure that students and local citizens are well-equipped to handle emergencies and contribute to disaster response efforts.



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