



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
GUJARAT INSTITUTE OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT,
GOVERNMENT OF GUJARAT, INDIA
AND
GUJARAT UNIVERSITY
AHMEDABAD, GUJARAT, INDIA

This Memorandum of Understanding [MoU] (the “Memorandum”) is made between The **Gujarat Institute of Disaster Management [GIDM]**, Gujarat, India, represented by the Director General, GIDM and The **Gujarat University (GU)**, Gujarat, India represented by the Director General.

About Gujarat Institute of Disaster Management [GIDM]

The Gujarat Institute of Disaster Management (GIDM) is registered as an autonomous society under the Government of Gujarat. The Institute has been entrusted with the responsibility of human resource development, capacity building, training, research and documentation in the field of Disaster Management. As per the GIDM’s objectives and mandates, it focuses on enriching the capacities – in specific areas of prevention, mitigation, preparedness, relief, recovery, rehabilitation, reconstruction and sustainable development - of the officials and other functionaries of the state and district administration for response to emergencies and in the longer run, it will take up similar capacity building for other stakeholders in the country.

Positioned as a Center of Excellence (CoE), GIDM has committed itself to development and application of information, research and technology for the safety of life, property and socio-economic processes in Disaster Management. It is thus also mandated to partner with national and international organizations, universities, institutions, bodies and individuals specialized in Disaster Management.

About Gujarat University (GU)

Gujarat University (GU) is the largest university of the state having 34 post-graduate departments and enormous intellectual wealth in terms of its professors, faculties, researchers and students of post-graduate, doctoral and post-doctoral level. In addition to this highly skilled brainpower, GU has enormous campus in the center of the city and state of the art infrastructure for research and education.

As an academy with social responsibility of engaging with other facets of the society, GU has always connected with other organisations to share the benefits of its knowledge and research capabilities by taking up research work.

Article I: Objective

Given the background of the two parties and the potential areas of partnership, this Memorandum represents a Framework of Cooperation between GIDM and GU specifically on Joint Training Services, Strengthen Training Capacity, Joint Research Activity, Documentation and Case Study, Consultancy/ Advisory Services on Disaster Management. GIDM and GU will collaborate to identify ways to implement the objectives of this memorandum of understanding by working together wherever applicable in their respective ongoing programs and projects.

Article II: Areas of Cooperation

Given shared primary mandates of the two parties on enhancing the co-operation between the two institutions and developing Academic and Professional Exchanges, Scientific Research, Consultancy/ Advisory Services on relevant matters and other activities, the MoU would collaborate under the followings:

- 1. Joint Development and Delivering of Prioritized Training Programmes on Disaster Management*
 - i. To jointly conduct prioritized trainings on specific themes and sub-themes on Disaster Management as identified and agreed upon by GIDM and GU and issue certification/ degree for such training programmes.
 - ii. Work towards development of training curriculums, review and updating of the curriculums for effective training delivering to intended specific audiences
 - iii. Develop training package including participants' workbook, supplementary reading materials, case studies and exercises and facilitator guidebooks as resource pools for the trainings which could also be used for future similar trainings
 - iv. Enhancing Outreach and Upgrade training provision through IT based solutions jointly by undertaking Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) that may be conducted in collaboration with specialized institutions at national and international level, if necessary. Both institutions may share expertise, technical solutions, Instructional Design, User interface and User Experience for development of online trainings.