

GUJARAT SCHOOL SAFETY INITIATIVE
TRAINING OF TRAINERS ON DISASTER RISK REDUCTION
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Introduction

Gujarat State Disaster Management authority (GSDMA) contracted Sustainable Environment and Ecological Development Society (SEEDS) to implement the project: "Training of Trainers on Disaster Risk Reduction" under the Gujarat School Safety Initiative (GSSI). The project envisages training of teachers in each of the 25 districts of the state and developing textbooks on disaster awareness for students of classes VII, VIII and IX.

In four state level training of trainers (TOT) conducted during April to July 2006, 86 master trainers from 21 districts were trained. During August 2006, planning and coordination for district level training was carried out. Training of teachers was carried out in 8 districts during September 2006. In this report, the progress of the project in October 2006 is discussed. Detailed reports on district level trainings are being submitted separately.

District TOT Workshop

From among the Master Trainers who were trained in the state level TOT, Coordinators were identified for each district, who were given the responsibility of organising the district level training. Other Master Trainers of the districts agreed to support the Coordinators. Ms. Mital Petiwale of SEEDS coordinated with the District Coordinators and DEOs for organising the TOT workshops.

The District Coordinator was provided with all training materials including lecture notes, and PowerPoint presentations in Gujarati Language. The District Coordinator, in consultation with the District Education Officer (DEO), identified 25 teachers representing all talukas, primary and secondary schools, government and private schools, and invite them for the training.

The TOT was held for three days. The participants were given awareness about various types of disasters and management strategy, training on search and rescue, first aid and fire safety, and school disaster management planning.

Model School Training

A Model School for the district was identified. The TOT workshop and the Model School training were integrated as follows. The TOT participants were taken to the Model School as part of the training. The TOT participants performed exercises of analysing internal and external hazards and develop evacuation map for the school. SEEDS School Safety Team was mobilized for performing training of task forces and conducting evacuation mock drill in the Model School.

In most of the districts, the district coordinators recommended the Model School in consultation with the DEO's office according to the model school guidelines. However, it was found difficult to select the model school due to constraints like exams, holidays etc.

The following activities were performed in the Model Schools:

- Basic disaster awareness to teachers and students
- Training of teachers and students on search and rescue, first aid and fire safety

- Preparing evacuation map of the school
- Developing School Disaster Management Plan
- Orientation to all the teachers and students for evacuation mock drill
- Conducting evacuation mock drill
- Organising demonstration of fire fighting
- Presentations by students and observers at the end of the Model School activities.

Trainings held prior to this reporting period

Though District TOTs were to be commenced in August 2006, the trainings were to be deferred to September due to the flood situation in many districts. TOTs and Model School Trainings were held in the following eight districts during September 2006. Brief data of the trainings held in September 2006 were given in the progress report of September 2006.

Name of District	Dates of training
Anand	Aug. 31 – 02 Sept. 2006
Dahod	04 – 06 Sept. 2006
Panchmahal	07 – 09 Sept. 2006
Baroda	10 – 12 Sept. 2006
Jamnagar	18 – 20 Sept. 2006
Rajkot	21 – 23 Sept. 2006
Surendranagar	25 – 27 Sept. 2006
Kheda	28 – 30 Sept. 2006

Trainings held in October 2006

Trainings in the following three districts were held in October 2006. Brief data of these trainings have been given in Annexure-A.

Name of District	Dates of training
Banaskantha	03 – 05 Oct. 2006
Mehsana	09 – 11 Oct. 2006
Patan	12 – 14 Oct. 2006

As the schools and the teachers have Diwali vacation from mid October, more training workshops could not be held in October.

Future Trainings

During the School Diwali vacation, coordination activities with the district coordinators were carried out. The schedule of trainings in the remaining districts has been planned as follows.

Name of District	Dates of training	Remarks
Ahmedabad	17, 18, 19 November 2006	Confirmed
Gandhinagar	20, 21, 22 November 2006	Confirmed
Sabarkantha	23, 24, 15 November 2006	Confirmed
Bhavnagar	27, 28, 29 November 2006	Tentative
Amreli	30 Nov, 01, 02 December 2006	Tentative
Junagadh	04, 05, 06 December 2006	Tentative
Porbandar	07, 08, 09 December 2006	Tentative
Kutch	14, 15, 16 December 2006	Tentative
Surat	18, 19, 20 December 2006	Tentative
Navsari	21, 22, 23 December 2006	Tentative
Valsad	26, 27, 28 December 2006	Tentative
The Dangs	02, 03, 04 January 2007	Tentative
Bharuch	05, 06, 07 January 2007	Tentative
Narmada	09, 10, 11 January 2007	Tentative

ANNEXURE – A

Training of Trainers in Disaster Management at District Level

Name of District	Banaskantha
Location of TOT	Deesa, Banaskantha
District Coordinator (Name, contact details)	Mr. M. K. Rawal, Principal DIET, Ganeshpura, Palanpur, Banaskantha District. M- 9426366687
Dates	03.10.2006, 04.10.2006, 05.10.2006
Venue	Mahavidhyadhanam, Deesa, Palanpur
Inaugurated by	Mr. M. K. Rawal, Principal DIET, Banaskantha
Resource persons	Mr. M. K. Rawal, Dr. M. Nagos Mr. K.K.Prajapati Mr. C. K. Desai
Number of Participants	23
Fire station visited	Fire tender from Deesa came to the Model School for demo.
School visited	Mahant Shri K. D. Adarsh School
Model school (name, location)	Mahant Shri K. D. Adarsh School, Rampura, Taluka Deesa, Banaskantha District – PIN 385535

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Name of District	Mehsana
Location of TOT	Mehsana
District Coordinator (Name, contact details)	Mr. L. G. Thakkar, 29, Sagar Sarita Society, Near Dairy, Mehsana. Tel: 0267-2324909, M-9824546196
Dates	09.10.2006, 10.10.2006, 11.10.2006
Venue	Shree Sarvajanik Vidhyasankul Hall, Mehsana
Inaugurated by	RDC; DEO- Mr. R. I. Patel Management Trustee – Mr. Chaudhary Principal- Mr. Vyas Fire Officer- Mr. Gahire Fire Officer- Ms. Harshini
Resource persons	Mr. L. G. Thakkar Mr. Yogendra Rana Mr. Shantibhai M. Patel Mr. B. B. Patel Mr. Shastry Mr. Narsighbhai Dr. Goswami
Number of participants	25
Fire station visited	ONGC Central Fire Station, Mehsana
School visited	Divine Child School, Shanku Water Park, Mehsana
Model school (name, location)	Shree J. M. Chaudhary Sarvajanik Vidhyalaya, Near Arvind Baug, Mehsana- 384001

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Name of District	Patan
Location of TOT	Patan
District Coordinator (Name, contact details)	Mr. Ambalal R. Raval, Ranuj High School, Ranuj, Patan M-9879162493
Dates	12.10.2006, 13.10.2006, 14.10.2006
Venue	Prayer Hall, Jaffary High School, Kamraj Trust, Patan
Inaugurated by	DPEO- Mr. B. K. Trivedi; EI-DEO Office- Mr. S. C. Pandya Management Trustee- Mr. Abbasbhai
Resource persons	Mr. Ambalal Raval Mr. K. K. Prajapati Mr. Kalpesh Akhani Mr. Kalpesh Pancholi
Number of participants	23
Fire station visited	Central Fire Station, Patan
School visited	Jaffery High School
Model school (name, location)	None. But the training and mock drill were carried out in Jaffery High School