

NEED TO WORK COLLECTIVELY TO TACKLE DISASTER: JACQUES

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Goa is located on the sea coast and therefore is liable to experience cyclones, floods, heavy rainfall, cloud bursts and landslides etc. Preparedness to tackle such disasters well in advance is a must stated Commissioner Cum Secretary (Revenue) and Chairman, State Disaster Management Authority, Shri Sandip Jacques, IAS who was addressing a State Level Table Top Exercise organized by Goa State Disaster Management Authority in collaboration with National Disaster Management Authority, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India at Mantralaya, Porvorim, today.

Shri Jacques stressing on the need for advance disaster preparedness said as Goa is vulnerable to disaster we need to have a proactive, holistic and integrated approach for Disaster Risk Reduction by way of strengthening disaster preparedness, mitigation, and emergency response. Government alone cannot do everything and the participation of people is crucial, he added.

Shri Jacques further speaking said the Government looks forward towards community participation including NGOs, stakeholders of local self-bodies and Government departments as well. He urged to work with collective responsibility to fulfill the concern of the Government i.e: safety of human lives and property.

SR. Consultant (ME&IRS-Coastal), NDMA, Comdt Aditya Kumar (Retd) ,who while guiding the concerned during the exercise insisted that all need to fulfil their role effectively in tackling disaster.

The representatives of line departments through Power Point presentations showed their role in disaster preparedness.

Representatives of North Goa and South Goa Collectorate and line departments authorities of CISF, Coast Guard, MPT were present on the occasion.

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