

Strategic Disaster Risk Management and Leadership

Duration: 22 Half Days

Course Description:

The Strategic Disaster Risk Management and Leadership focuses on resilience leadership and risk governance and is designed to equip executives, managers and technical officers with the skill set, tool set, and mindset in achieving both individual and organizational competence in disaster risk and crisis management. The Program will enable participants to analyze disaster and crisis settings and evaluate their implications, to design effective risk management strategies and interventions, and to build consensus and manage resources within a volatile, uncertain, complex, and ambiguous environment.

This program will provide the professional training needed to improve emergency preparedness and strengthen disaster resilience of the organizations and communities where participants work and operate. By joining the program, participants will further hone their critical thinking skills to identify and evaluate risks and threats in advance and develop holistic solutions to reduce vulnerability and exposure of their organizations and communities to hazards, enhance their problem-solving ability to proactively manage risks and maintain organizational functioning during disaster or crisis, and enhance their leadership skills to empower their organizations and communities to take innovative actions towards disaster and climate resilience.

Course Objectives:

At the end of the program, the students will be able to:

- Understand the various operational contexts of disaster risk and crisis management along with its frameworks, concepts, and tools and shift from a mindset of reactive response to proactive Risk Management and Resilience Building.
- Analyze disaster risk and crisis environments and various stakeholders involved including their roles and interests, synthesize implications on organizations, communities and sectors and develop and evaluate disaster risk and crisis management strategies and measures.
- 3. Apply collaborative Governance approaches and Leadership strategies and skills to initiate concrete actions to enhance the disaster and climate resilience of their organizations and communities.

Target Audience:

The program is recommended for professionals in the Government, Humanitarian, and Development Sectors, as well as Business executives, Managers, and Entrepreneurs who want to gain a deeper understanding of disaster risk and crisis management in this volatile, uncertain, complex, and ambiguous world. Moreover, this program is open to individual contributors who wish to make a difference in the disaster risk reduction space and be able to contribute to the building of resilience in their community.

Course Outlines:

MODULE 1: Risk and Resilience

Module 1 provides the theoretical and conceptual foundation needed to gain a broad comprehension of risk, disaster risk reduction and management, crisis management, and disaster and climate resilience. Students will learn to understand the disaster environment in terms of hazard, vulnerability, exposure, and capacity dimensions of risk and develop analytical and critical thinking necessary to address contemporary concerns and issues in the practice of disaster risk and crisis management, including gender and social inclusion, as well as climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies, and climate and disaster risk financing.

MODULE 2: Risk Governance and Resilience Leadership

Module 2 spotlights the practice of disaster risk governance and resilient leadership, including approaches and strategies and tools to build disaster resilient communities and organizations. Students will explore effective approaches in collaboration and partnerships in various aspects of disaster risk reduction and management, crisis management, and resilience building. Specific cases will be discussed told surface key players and their roles in disaster risk management from response and mitigation to recovery as well as the challenges encountered in collaborating and managing complex emergencies and disasters brought about natural, climate-induced and human-made hazards.

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