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Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change

One Day Workshop to Strengthen Resilience in Shimla City

15TH July, 2016, Hotel Holiday Home, Shimla

At the start of the workshop, Commissioner M C Shimla welcomed the participants. A formal launching of all reports was done by Hon'ble Mayor, M C Shimla, Hon'ble Dy Mayor, M C Shimla, Director, Indian Institute of Advance Studies, Director, Town & Country Planning Department, Director, Economics and Statistics Department and Commissioner, M C Shimla.

Following reports have been discussed in the workshop :

1. Study on Hazard, Vulnerability and Risk Assessment (HVRA) of Shimla City
2. Rapid Visual Screening (RVS) of Important Buildings, Transportation and Communication System of Shimla City
3. Report on City Resilience Index (CRI) of Shimla City
4. Green House Gas (GHG) Inventory for Shimla City.

Early Warning System

Shimla to IMD. This was also helpful to take prior actions on dangerous trees and sliding due to heavy rainfall happened in the city. Bulk Messages has been started by IMD-Shimla through NIC regarding weather forecasting and related warnings as per direction given by Municipal Cor-

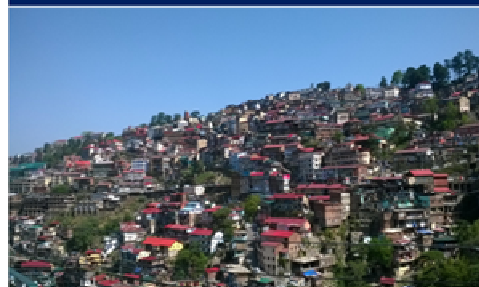


Action Plan on Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation into sectoral Development Plan of Shimla City

The overall objective of the Action Plan is to identify opportunities to mainstream disaster risk reduction (DRR) and climate change adaptation (CCA) elements in to the development plan and projects/programs of Shimla Municipal Corporation (MC). This report highlights some of the preliminary findings and suggests a way forward through specific mainstreaming activates that Municipal Corporation Shimla can undertake as part of the overall City Development Plan.

This report was prepared under the Gol-UNDP, USAID funded project on Urban Climate Risk Management through Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation and it is available in the website of Municipal Corporation Shimla.

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FINAL REPORT
April 2016

First Aid Training for Community Volunteers in collaboration with Himachal Pradesh State Red Cross Society under BUARE Phase-II, 28-29 June, 2016

Shimla is prone to different disasters like earthquake, landslide, road accidents, fire etc. Hence, preparedness and mitigation are essential components to manage disasters. Community is always a first responder of any emergencies and First Aid is an important part of this. Considering this vulnerability, this training has been organised for volunteers. Main objectives of the training was to train ward volunteers and to create Master Trainer on First Aid. . Around 15 volunteers have participated in the training.





SMC- EU Funded PROJECT

wastes on 30th & 1st July, 2016.

Plan for setting up Bio-digester:

Project Manager and team along with Mr. Mohit (Consultant) from GPS Renewables, Bangalore visited the sites to conduct the feasibility visit for setting up of Biogas Digester for treatment of bio-degradable

The concept of this bio-digester is to treat the bio-degradable waste & convert it into bio-gas which may be further used for cooking purpose or can also be converted to generate electricity.



Field Visit to check efficiency of Honey Sucker Machine:

On dated 5th July, 2016 the expert from CDD Society along with EU-PIU visited different sites at Kufri, Dhalli, & IGMC along with the Honey Sucker Machine & its operators and performed the practical operations to check the efficiency of the machine. At last it was concluded that there is need to upgrade the capacity/power of the suction pump and it is expected to be resolved at the earliest.



Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna-HFA Mission-Shimla

Municipal Corporation Shimla is implementing the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana by 2022 in the Shimla City. A consulting firm “Stesalit System” has been hired for re-conduct “Demand Survey” will be conducted in 25 wards in the Shimla City during the period of 10-25 of August 2016.

Component 1 : (In situ” Rehabilitation of existing slum dwellers)

Demand Survey of all the **Slums** in the Shimla City has been completed and data is also entered in the MIS System. MC Shimla has **identified two plots for the construction of Houses under Com-I. The matter is put up in the Hon’ble MC House. A consulting firm (Stesalit System Ltd) have been hired to identified land bank under this component.**

Component 2 -(Credit Linked Subsidy)

MC, Shimla has conducted various meetings with the banks regarding loan disbursement to the intended beneficiaries. Queries raised by the banks are under consideration, in the means time banks are asked to submit a details of “Interest rate” and a copy of signed “Memorandum” to the M.C, Shimla. MC, Shimla will prefer such banks who will offer base interest rate near to 9%.

Component 3: Affordable Housing

A consulting firm “Stesalit System Ltd” will identify land options/PPP options under this component and will submit report to M.C.Shimla. At present “demand Survey” is going on in the 25 wards of the Shimla city.

Component 4: Individual House construction / enhancement

Physical verification of the beneficiaries and GEO tagging is under process and will be completed by the end of this month. Stesalit will set a MIS system under this component so that beneficiary can get funds/grants directly into their bank a/cs.

HOUSING FOR ALL

This Housing for All (HFA) scheme is envisioned by our Honorable Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi. “By the time the Nation completes 75 years of its Independence, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna will bring a ‘Pucca house’ for every family in urban cities with water connection, toilet facilities, 24x7 electricity supply and complete access.” As addressed by our Prime Minister in the joint session of parliament on 9th June, 2014.

Swachhta Abhiyan Held In Shimla City On 23-06-2016

On 23rd June, 2016, a pre-monsoon cleanliness drive was organized in Shimla by Municipal Corporation Shimla. In this cleanliness drive, a collective contribution was shown by various Government as well as private organizations, RAW's and participating schools. All 25 wards of Shimla City were cleaned by collecting efforts of all volunteering organizations. All employees of MC Shimla were participated in this cleanliness drive in various wards of Shimla.

A clean India would be the best tribute India could pay to Mahatma Gandhi on his 150 birth anniversary in 2019," said Shri Narendra Modi as he launched the Swachh Bharat Mission at Rajpath in New Delhi. On 2nd October 2014, Swachh Bharat Mission was launched throughout length and breadth of the country as a national movement.





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Shimla Municipal Corporation is one of the oldest municipalities of India and has passed through many slings and arrows during its last one hundred and forty five years of existence. It was first constituted as Municipal Committee in December, 1851, under the provisions of Act XXVI of 1850. Initially appointed Municipal Commissioners were Government officials. The first elections were held on August 26, 1855 following the first meeting of the committee composed of the Deputy Commissioner; Senior Assistant Commissioner; Medical Officer; and an Executive Engineer; together with house proprietors.

The Commissioner MC Shimla is the administrative head of the Corporation. All executive and administrative powers for the purpose of carrying out day to day functions are vested in him.

The Municipal corporation Shimla is entrusted with the development related matters of the MC areas and providing basic civic amenities . The services provided by the MC Shimla are innumerable, however, some of them are:-

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1. Supply of water for public and private purposes.

2. The scavenging, removal and disposal of fifth, rubbish and other obnoxious or polluted matters.

3. The construction and maintenance of cattle pond.

4. Measures for preventing and checking the spread of dangerous diseases

the lighting, watering and cleaning of public streets and other public places.

5. The maintenance of municipal offices;

6. Survey of buildings and lands.

7. Planting and care of trees on road sides , etc.

