

INTRODUCTION

Natural disasters are becoming more frequent and intense across the globe. According to the latest report by UN-ESCAP, Asia-Pacific region is the most disaster-prone region in the world, and the region faces major disaster problems in the form of environmental hazards, geological hazards and hydro-meteorological hazards, and causing massive damage to environment, infrastructure, economy and society. To address the challenge posed by disasters, the international community adopted the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) 2015-2030 at the Third UN World Conference on DRR in March 2015 in Sendai, Japan. The space based inputs can become an important tool in building resilience and addressing the priorities outlined by Sendai framework for DRR. Space technology can be useful particularly in the risk assessment, monitoring, response, mitigation and preparedness phases of disaster management, including early warning.

ABOUT CSSTEAP AND IIRS

CSSTEAP was established in India in November 1995 with its headquarters in Dehradun and over the past 25 years, the center has emerged as a Centre of Excellence in capacity building in the field of space science and technology application. The 1st campus of the Centre was established at Dehradun, India and is hosted by Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS), a constituent unit of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO). CSSTEAP has been imparting training and educational programmes related to RS & GIS, Satellite Communication, Satellite Meteorology, Space Science, Global Navigation Satellite Systems, and Small Satellite Mission, helping participants in developing research skills through its Master Degree, Post Graduate and Certificate programms.

IIRS (established in 1966), a constituent unit of Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO), is a key player for training and capacity building in geospatial technology and its applications through training, education and research in Southeast Asia. The training, education and capacity building programmes of the Institute are designed to meet the requirements of professionals at working levels, fresh graduates, researchers, academia, and decision makers.

OBJECTIVE OF THE COURSE

The overall objective of this two weeks training programme is to generate awareness among users / researchers / professionals / decision-makers / academicians on Space technology and its applications for disaster management and in the line of implementing Sendai Framework for DRR. The participants will be familiarized with the Disaster Management concepts, conceptual frameworks and institutional mechanisms, application of space and geospatial technologies for pre- and post-disaster monitoring and mitigation such as early warning, hazard, vulnerability and risk assessment, damage assessment and other measures, data repositories and web portals for providing disaster related information. The course will include theory and hands on sessions to facilitate in-depth learning.

COURSE CONTENTS

First Week

- Overview of global framework for disaster risk reduction
- Overview of Climate Change and Natural Hazards
- Overview of geospatial technology for disaster management
- o Satellite based communication and navigation for community level disaster management
- o Geo-web portals and data repositories for providing disaster related information

Second Week

- o Application of space technology in environmental disasters (forest fire, atmospheric etc.)
- Applications of space technology in geological hazards (earthquakes, landslides etc.)
- Applications of space technology in hydro-meteorological hazards (flood, drought, cyclones etc.)
- Community participation in disaster risk reduction
- Success stories of applications of geospatial technology in disaster management support

ELIGIBILITY

Master's degree in science or Bachelor's degree in engineering or equivalent qualification relevant in the field of study with at least 5 years of experience in teaching/research or professional experience in the field of natural resources or environment, e.g. agriculture, soils, forestry, ecology, geosciences, water resources, human settlement, land use planning, oceanography, environmental analysis, etc. (For candidates with higher qualifications, the minimum experience may be relaxed). Basic knowledge in mathematics and/or statistics is essential. The course will be conducted in English, the candidate should have proficiency in English language.

COURSE FEE AND HOW TO APPLY

There is no course fee for applicants applying through proper channel. Applicants are requested to send the scan copy of their application forwarded by the Head of their respective organization / institution for consideration through e-mail at cssteap-admissions@iirs.gov.in.

Announcement of course: February 02, 2021 Last date for application (via e-mail): February 28, 2021.

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CENTRE FOR SPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

(AFFILIATED TO THE UNITED NATIONS)

APPLICATION FORM FOR SHORT COURSE ON "SPACE TECHNOLOGY FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT"

April 19 - 30, 2021

Conducted by

Indian Institute of Remote Sensing, Dehradun, India (Through Online mode)

Last date for receipt of application: February 28, 2021 (Through e-mail: cssteap-admissions@iirs.gov.in)

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