Important Developments, initiatives and new schemes in Respect of DM Division

1. National Disaster Management Plan

The first National Disaster Management Plan (NDMP) prepared in the Country was released by Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi on 01.06.2016. The plan aligns with the Sendai Framework of Action, which was agreed upon by 187 countries including India in March, 2015. It aims to make India disaster resilient and significantly reduce the loss of lives and assets. The plan covers all phases of disaster management: Prevention, mitigation, response and recovery.

2. Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC)

Government of India has successfully hosted the first Annual Disaster Management Exercise for ‘Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation’ (BIMSTEC) countries (BIMSTEC DMEx-2017) on 10-13th October, 2017 in New Delhi. About 200 disaster professionals from 7 BIMSTEC countries participated for the first time in table top and field exercises.

3. National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project (NCRMP)

The National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project Phase-I in two states of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha, at a revised cost of Rs. Rs.2331.71 crores, is an advance stage of completion. Significant progress is also being made in Phase-II under implementation in Six States (Goa, Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra and West Bengal) at a total cost of Rs.2361.35 crore. The project implementation period is 2015-16 to 2019-2020.

4. Raising of 02 Battalions of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)

In compliance of the Cabinet decision taken in the meeting on 29.04.2015, two additional battalions of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) has been raised at Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh) and Arunachal Pradesh.

5. International Workshop on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure

While inaugurating the Asian Ministerial Conference in Disaster Risk Reduction in November 2016, the Hon'ble Prime Minister in his 10 point Agenda for Disaster Risk Reduction called for setting up a “Coalition on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI)”

An International Workshop on “Disaster Resilient Infrastructure” was held on 15-16 January 2018 in New Delhi to get inputs from potential Partner countries.
More than 180 delegates including experts from 21 countries, multilateral development banks, the United Nations, the private sector, academics and national representatives of Central Government and State Governments attended the event.

Deliberation held on best global practices prevailing in the resilient infrastructure, key challenges and gaps in existing practices, potential areas for collaboration.

6. **Second meeting of National platform for Disaster Risk Reduction (NPDRR)**

The second meeting of NPDRR was held in May, 2017 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on the theme ‘Disaster Risk Reduction for Sustainable Development: Making India Resilient by 2030’.

About 1000 delegates from Central Ministries, State/UT Governments, Academic institutions, Research Centers, Media, CSUs and UN Agencies participated in the conference.

It provided a road map for implementing Prime Minister’s 10 point Agenda on Disaster Risk Reduction in the development plans and policies.