



Uttar Pradesh Partners with UNDP for Improved Disaster Resilience

Why in News?

A Memorandum of Association (MoA) was signed between the **Relief Commissioner's Office of Uttar Pradesh** and the [United Nations Development Programme \(UNDP\)](#) to work collaboratively on making [disaster management](#) in the state more effective and scientific.

Key Points

About Memorandum of Association (MoA)

- **Objective:**
 - It aims at implementing [disaster risk reduction](#) programmes, strengthening the state's institutional capacity, and developing a **multi-level disaster management** system based on a technical approach.
 - This comprehensive disaster management program will empower the state with a robust disaster risk reduction framework and **enhance preparedness for potential disasters.**
 - It will introduce disaster risk reduction measures across the state, aiming to create a **more inclusive, accountable, and effective** disaster management system.
- **Program Highlights:**
 - Creation of disaster management plans for **all 75 districts of Uttar Pradesh** and 15 key state departments.
 - Detailed risk assessments and **vulnerability studies for 20 major cities**, along with the creation of urban disaster management plans for these cities.
 - Preparation of **detailed project reports** for 10 state departments.
- **Technical Improvements:**
 - **Strengthening and integrating** the state's disaster information system through workshops, ICT tool provision, and the establishment of a **Project Management Unit (PMU)** at the Relief Commissioner's Office to ensure effective coordination.
- **Budget and Implementation:**
 - The Uttar Pradesh government has approved a **budget of Rs 19.99 crore** for the next three years to execute the program in phases.
 - The implementation will be guided by technical proposals from UNDP, with the program aligned with the [National Disaster Management Authority \(NDMA\)](#) recommendations.

About United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

- **About:**
 - The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) is the [UN's global development network](#), advocating for change and connecting countries to knowledge, experience, and resources to help people build a better life.
- **Formation and Headquarters:**
 - The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) was officially **established in 1965** by the [UN General Assembly](#).

- UNDP was formed by merging the United Nations Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance (1949) and the United Nations Special Fund (1958).
- It has its **headquarters in New York City**, but works primarily through its offices in about 170 countries and territories.
- **Global Presence and Approach:**
 - It works on the ground in some 170 countries and territories, supporting their own **solutions to development challenges** and developing national and local capacities that will help them achieve [human development](#) and the [Sustainable Development Goals](#).
- **Focus Areas:**
 - Its work is concentrated on **three main focus areas**:
 - [Sustainable development](#)
 - [Democratic governance](#) and peacebuilding
 - [Climate](#) and [disaster resilience](#)

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