

Ns 932/ /CD, Bhubaneswar, the 7-6-2001
PMD/3-62/2001(PT)

RESOLUTION

Subs: Creation of Orissa Disaster Rapid Action Force.

The State Government have decided to set up a 'Task Force' on Disaster Management, styled as the Orissa Disaster Rapid Action Force. The aforesaid force will be duly trained to act immediately in case of disaster, which may either be due to natural calamity or due to industrial accident. In case of an emergency the District Magistrate of the disaster affected district may also requisition such force either over telephone or by fax to be confirmed by post message, by approaching the Special I.G. of Police, Operations, State Police Headquarters, Cuttack. It shall be incumbent on the part of the Special I.G., Operations, to keep the D.G. of Police informed about such requisition and subsequent deployment of force. Such force deputed to a disaster affected district will function under the command of S.P. of the said district, as per the general guidance of the District Magistrate. The Force should move within two hours of receipt of requisition by the D.G. of Police or the Special I.G. of Police, Operations, and report in the disaster prone district or disaster affected district within twelve hours of the requisition.

For creation and operation of the Orissa Rapid Action Force Government have taken the following decisions.

(i) To begin with one company of the 2nd, 3rd and 6th Bn., O.S.A.P., will be trained and concentrated at Jharsuguda, Koraput and Cuttack respectively. These companies shall be retained intact preferably in company strength and if absolutely necessary for deployment otherwise, in platoon strength only, so that they can be regrouped quickly and deployed in anticipation of any disaster.

(ii) Orissa State Disaster Management Authority, (O.S.D.M.A.), will organise annual training courses for the aforesaid forces. Cost for such training will be projected

to the OSDMA by the D.G. & I.G. of Police, Orissa, for which requisite funds will be made available by the OSDMA.

(iii) Three vehicles preferably TATA-1810 per unit of O.D.R.A.F. to be located at Jharsuguda, Koraput and Cuttack in the first instance, will be provided by the O.S.D.M.A. for movement of the Force. Necessary driving & staff, i.e. 18 personnel at the rate of one Driver Havildar and one Asst. Driver per vehicle for the aforesaid vehicles will be made available by redeployment from the Energy Department.

Drivers for Hydraulic Excavators, Bull Dozers, Tractors and Heavy equipments may be taken on redeployment from the Energy Department or Water Resources Department.

(iv) O.D.R.A.F. members will be given a Khaki Colour "Dungaree" with the visible and distinguishable emblem of the OSDMA.

(v) Regular updating of information such as availability of man power infrastructure and telephone numbers of the controlling authorities will be sent to the Managing Director, OSDMA, the Home Secretary, The Special Relief Commissioner and Chief Secretary by the D.G. of Police.

(vi) The OSDMA should preferably make mobile telephone available to the D.G. of Police, I.G. of Police (Operations) and the Home Secretary immediately so that they can be contacted in times of emergency for deployment of force.

ORDER : Ordered that this resolution be published in the extra-ordinary issue of the Orissa Gazette and copies thereof forwarded to all Departments/All Heads of Department.

By order of the Governor

[Signature]
Principal Secretary to Government
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Memo No. 940

Dt. 7-6-2001

Copy forwarded to the Director, Printing, Stationary and publication, Orissa, Cuttack, with the request to publish the Resolution in the next issue of the Orissa Gazette and supply 100 copies to this Department.

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Deputy Secretary to Government

Memo No. 941(6)

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Deputy Secretary to Government

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Deputy Secretary to Government