



GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT
Civil Secretariat, J&K

Subject: Constitution of Committee for Earthquake Risk Reduction and Management for the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir

Government Order No.: 685-JK(GAD) of 2025

Dated: 10.06.2025

Sanction is hereby accorded to the constitution of committee, comprising the following, for Earthquake Risk Reduction and Management for the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir:-

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| 1. | Administrative Secretary, Disaster Management Relief Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Department | Chairperson |
| 2. | Administrative Secretary, Public works (R&B) Department | Member |
| 3. | Divisional Commissioner, Jammu/Kashmir | Member |
| 4. | Commissioner, Jammu Municipal Committee/Srinagar Municipal Committee | Member(s) |
| 5. | Director, School Education, Jammu/Kashmir | Member(s) |
| 6. | Director, Rural Development, Jammu/Kashmir | Member |
| 7. | Dr. O.P.Mishra, Director National Centre for Seismology. | Member |
| 8. | Prof. Bikram Singh Bali, HoD School of Earth Sciences, University of Kashmir. | Member |
| 9. | Prof. G.M.Bhat, Department of Geology (Retd.) | Member |
| 10. | Deputy Secretary to the Government, Disaster Management Relief Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Department | Member Secretary |
| 11. | Dr. Ajay Chaurasia, Chief Scientist & Professor CBRI | Member |
| 12. | Dr. Rakesh Chandra, Senior Assistant Professor, Department of Earth Sciences, University of Kashmir. | Member |
| 13. | Dr. Irfan Maqbool Bhat, Assistant Professor, Centre for Disaster Risk Reduction, Islamic University of Science & Technology (IUST), Awantipora | Member |
| 14. | Dr. Mehran Qurashi, Assistant Professor, Department of Architecture, Islamic University of Science & Technology (IUST), Awantipora | Member |
| 15. | Dr. Falak Zahoor, Assistant Professor, Civil Engineering Department, National Institute of Technology (NIT), Srinagar. | Member |
| 16. | Dr. Mir Faizan Ul Haq, Assistant Professor, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Jammu | Member |

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The Chairperson may Co-opt any member(s) to obtain required technical and inter-disciplinary input(s) for the committee.

The Committee shall be assisted by the concerned Department(s) in their field studies/observations.

Terms of Reference:

- i. To devise a comprehensive roadmap for earthquake risk management and risk reduction in the UT of J&K.
- ii. To identify and define J&K's vulnerabilities to earthquakes, conducting detailed risk assessments to prioritize mitigation efforts and develop resilient sustainable strategies for earthquake preparedness and mitigation.
- iii. To chart out strategies for the screening and safety assessments of buildings for better insight into structural stability and safety in the wake of Earthquake risks.
- iv. To strengthen Earthquake preparedness through safety guidelines and key policy initiatives.
- v. To develop earthquake risk management strategies and focus on assessing the current state and challenges faced by J&K in earthquake preparedness and mitigation efforts.
- vi. To suggest the measures for earthquake preparedness and mitigation within the region.
- vii. To suggest on the measures for ensuring the safety of the population through measures like Public awareness, community engagement, capacity building and training.
- viii. To develop and implement earthquake-specific disaster management strategies at the UT and district levels, ensuring coordination among different departments, agencies and coordinating with other stakeholders.
- ix. To suggest measures to prevent and mitigate the effects of earthquakes, such as building code enforcement, public awareness campaigns and earthquake resilient infrastructure.
- x. To develop strategies for swift and effective response to earthquake events and Training & equipping government officials, emergency responders and community members with the skills and knowledge needed to effectively manage earthquake disasters.


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By Order of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir.

Sd/-

(M. Raju) IAS

Commissioner/Secretary to the Government


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1. Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary), Higher Education Department.
2. Director General of Police, J&K.
3. Principal Secretary to the Government, Disaster Management Relief Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Department.
4. Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K.
5. Divisional Commissioner, Jammu/Kashmir.
6. Joint Secretary (J&K), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.
7. Commissioner/Secretary to the Government, Housing & Urban Development Department.
8. Secretary to the Government, School Education Department.
9. Secretary to the Government, Public Works (R&B) Department.
10. Secretary to the Government, Rural Development Department.
11. Director Information, J&K.
12. Director, Archives, Archaeology and Museums, J&K.
13. Registrar, University of Kashmir/IUST Awantipora.
14. Registrar, IIT, Jammu.
15. Registrar, NIT, Srinagar.
16. OSD/Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister.

17. Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary, J&K.
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(Shakeeb Arsallan) JKAS
Under Secretary to the Government