# International Seminar

# Mumbai Disaster Management Plan

# **Workshop Organisors**

- Government of Maharashtra
- Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai
- Indian Institute of Technology Bombay
- Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry

## **Objectives**

- Discuss current status of disaster management (both national and international)
- Identify steps to improve DMP to international standards
- Identify role of different stakeholders
- Develop road map and milestones

#### **Seminar Format**

- Inaugural Session and Presentations
- Three Parallel Workshops
  - Natural disasters & Disaster management plans
  - Social disasters & Corporate responsibilities
  - Man-made disasters & Sustainable development
- Plenary Sessions
- Workshop Conclusion Presentations

# **Participation**

- Over 200 participants representing
  - State Government
  - Municipal Corporation
  - Corporate bodies
  - Private sector
  - Academic institutions
  - Media
  - Voluntary and non-governmental organisations
  - Citizens

# **Major Conclusions**

- Mumbai has shown leadership in preparing India's first disaster management plan (DMP)
- City DMP has been integrated with state DMP
- The responsibilities of major government organisations have been identified

# Recommendations

## **Disseminate City DMP**

- All residents of city should have knowledge of DMP and their own responsibility
- People should also know how to react after a disaster
- The DMP should be translated in different languages and disseminated to the local people
- Short check-list of do's and don'ts should be prepared and distributed

# **Update City DMP**

- The DMP should be constantly updated to include latest knowledge
- The updating should establish the context of DMP – DMP can not address everything
- Information on which disasters are covered should be widely disseminated
- Educate the citizens and have regular drills

#### **Role of Private Sector**

- World-over, private sector is a very important link for disaster management
- City DMP should clearly articulate role of private sector
- DMP should provide guidelines on responsibilities of private sector in disaster management
- Private sector should promote mitigation and disaster reduction practices

#### **Role of Voluntary Sector**

- Voluntary sector such as NGOs, Ham operators, engineering and medical associations play a critical role in disaster management
- Their role should be clearly articulated
- Voluntary sector should partner the city in development of DMP

### **Partnerships**

- Develop effective mechanism for partnership in disaster management
  - Form advisory committee consisting of representatives from governments, private sector and voluntary sector
  - Advisory committee should meet at regular interval for review and to suggest improvements in DMP

#### **Road Map**

#### Short Term

- Disseminate existing DMP
- Disseminate checklists for identification of hazards and vulnerability
- Disseminate checklists of do's and don'ts
- Form DMP Advisory Committee including corporate and voluntary sector representatives

#### **Road Map**

#### Long Term

- Shift focus from response to mitigation and preparedness
- Integrate corporate sector disaster management plans with city and state DMPs
- Develop network of knowledge institutions for mutual learning
- Create database of necessary information for scenario development

#### Next seminar ???

**More active participation???** 

Evaluate change in risk profile of Mumbai with time

**Identify changes needed in DMP** 

**Analyse extent of dissemination**