

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 PREAMBLE

An off site emergency arising out chemical is one, which has the potential to cause serious damage or loss of life beyond the plant boundary. In addition, accidents during transportation of hazardous chemicals by road, rail, pipeline, etc. can also cause offsite emergencies. Emergency services such as police, fire, medical etc. need to be prepared to handle such situations effectively. The snowballing of a small incident into a major chemical disaster and the subsequent effects on the life and property can be mitigated if there is a readily implement able emergency preparedness plan available with the concerned district authorities. In order to be in a state of preparedness to respond to the accidents and minimize their adverse impacts on the offsite population, Rule 14 of the MSIHC Rules, 1989 (Amended in 2000), under EPA, 1986, requires an Off-site Emergency Plan to be prepared by the District Collector for every District or Industrial Area, as applicable.

1.2 LEGAL BACKGROUND – RESOLUTION OF 1986

The tragedy in Bhopal has made people all over the world aware about the seriousness of chemical accidents. Immediately after the incident, all the State Governments started looking into the emergency preparedness to combat and control the chemical disasters.

Gujarat Government has passed the resolution to constitute the District Contingency Plan Committees for Six District where population of Major Accident Hazard (MAH) factories is more i.e. Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Bharuch, Surat, Panchmahal & Valsad. Legal origin of Off-site Emergency Plan begins with this movement

This resolution is reproduced below :-

: RESOLUTION:

1. The number and distribution of hazardous industrial units in the State (that is, industrial units which, in the event of an accident, are such as to constitute a source of hazards to the community in the continuous local area serves to emphasize the need for contingency plan to deal with the various types of emergency that may arise owing to an industrial accident. The agency to which the task of drawing up a contingency plan may be entrusted, and the form of any

such plan, are questions which have been examined by Government, after careful considerations, Government hereby :-

- (a) Constitutes for the period up to the 31st Dec'1986, in relation to Districts Ahmedabad, Panchmahal, Vadodara, Bharuch, Surat and Valsad, a District Contingency Plan Committee for industrial hazards (DCPC) for the drawing up of a contingency plan in respect of each local area within the district with a significant number of hazardous industrial units.
- (b) Directs that the District Contingency Plan Committee (DCPC) shall comprise the following members :-

1.	Collector and District Magistrate	Chairman
2.	Municipal Commissioner / Chief Executive Officers of the Local Authority / Authorities covered	Member
3.	Commissioner of Police / District Superintendent of Police	Member
4.	Chief Fire Officer of the Municipal Corporation / Municipality / Local Authority covered	Member
5.	Civil Surgeon / District Health Officer	Member
6.	Senior Officers In-charge of the GIDC Industrial Estates covered	Member
7.	A Representative of the Local Industries Association / Chamber of Commerce Nominated by the Chairman	Member
8.	Dy. Director, Industrial Safety & Health	Member Secretary

This clarifies that the Chairman shall be competent to co-opt as members of the committee, or to invite to its meetings, such persons as he may deem appropriate.

2. The primary objective of a contingency plan in respect of any identified local area is that of making explicit the inter related set of actions to be undertaken in the event of an industrial accident posing hazards to the community. The plan must, that is to say, be both factual and action oriented. The notes circulated under the letters dated 25.4.1986 and 28.4.1986 specified above serves to indicate the approach that may be adopted in the formulation of a contingency plan for a local area. Each such contingency plan will need to be drawn up in a format which corresponds broadly to that reproduced in the Annexure to this resolution (that is an introductory chapter, followed identified hazards and hazards arising from accidents in transportation, and chapter on fire, police, health service available and on the network of communication envisaged). The plan will include reference also to the features of On-site Contingency Plans formulated by major hazardous units, to the availability of

emergency services within industrial estates, to voluntary organizations that may be expected to assist in the provision of relief in an emergency, and to the mode of updating the plan from time to time. The draft of such a contingency plan in respect of each local area in the District with a significant number of hazardous units is to be drawn up by the 30th Nov'1986.

3. The head-quarters of the District Contingency Plan Committee shall be the head-quarters of the District in question.
4. For journeys performed in connection with work of the committee, non-official members / invitees will be entitled to draw allowances at the rates, and subject to the conditions, applicable under the orders for the time being in force in respect of members of a Dist. Level Committee. The Member Secretary of the Dist. Contingency Plan Committee will be competent to countersign bills relating to such claims.
5. The expenditure on this account shall be debited to the head, Demand No. 60-(B) Social and Community Services-287: Labour and Employment – (A) Labour – (C) Working conditions & safety – (5) lbr-96 Safety cell for the prevention of accidents (plan) and met from the grants sanctioned there under in the 1986-87 budget.
6. These issues with the concurrence of the Financial Advisor dated 17.9.1986 on this Department's file of even number.

MSIHC Rules'1989

By the Government of India, Department of Environment and Forest notification dated 27.11.1989 the rules known as the manufacture storage and import of hazardous chemicals rules'1989 came into force from 27.11.1989. These rules provided definitions of hazardous chemicals, major accident, threshold quantity etc.

Rule 13 of these rules required On Site Emergency Plan and rule 14 required preparation of Off Site Emergency Plan by the authority.

As per schedule – 5 of these rules, District Collectors were declared as authority for preparation of Off Site Emergency Plan under rule 14.

Schedule – 11 of above rules prescribed details of On Site Emergency Plan and schedule – 12 prescribes the details of Off Site Emergency Plan. This schedule – 12 is reproduced below:-

Details to be furnished in the Off Site Emergency Plan.

1. The type of accidents and release to be taken into account.
2. Organizations involved including key personnel and responsibilities and liaison arrangements between them.
3. Information about the site including likely locations of dangerous substances, and plant.
4. Technical information such as chemical and physical characteristics and dangers of the substances and plant.
5. Identify the facilities and transport routes.
6. Contact for further advice e.g. meteorological information, transport, temporary food and accommodation, first aid and hospital services water and agricultural authorities.
7. Communication links including phones, radios & standby methods.
8. Special equipment including fire fighting materials, damage control and repair items.
9. Details of emergency response procedures.
10. Notify the public.
11. Evacuation arrangements.
12. Arrangements for dealing with the press and other media interests.
13. Long term cleanup.

Chemical Accidents “Emergency Planning, Preparedness and Response” (EPPR) Rules’1996

Lastly the Government of India published the rules known as the chemical accidents (Emergency Planning, Preparedness and Response) rules’1996. They came into force from 1stAug’1996. This rule defines of chemicals accidents, hazardous chemical, industrial pocket, isolated storage, major chemical accident (MAH) installation and Off-site Emergency Plan etc. Accordingly Off-site Emergency Plan means, the Off-site Emergency Plan prepared under rule 14 of the MSIHC rules.

Constitution

As Per Chemical Accidents “Emergency Planning, Preparedness and Response” (EPPR) rules’1996, the following groups have formed:-

- Central Crisis Group – Chairman – Secretary, Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment Forests.
- State Crisis Group – Chairman – Chief Secretary, Gujarat State.
- District Crisis Group – Chairman – District Collector of the District.
- Local Crisis Group – Chairman – SDM & Dy. Collector of the District.

1.3 OBJECTIVE & SCOPE

OBJECTIVE

The objective of the present assignment is to prepare an area specific Off-site Emergency Plan for **Mehsana** District, which can be practically implemented / activated at a short notice, to ensure minimal impact on life and property due to emergencies arising out of chemical accidents at one or more of the Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units or during transportation of hazardous chemicals in the area. It must be remembered that a plan is just the beginning of the emergency preparedness activity and certainly not the be all and end all of emergency management procedure. The plan is more of a guideline than a ready recipe for handling a chemical emergency. The number of possible incidents leading to an emergency is numerous and the plan cannot possibly include all. However, all efforts have been made to cover all the worst-case scenarios arising out of Major Accident Hazard (MAH) installations and having potential off-site effects.

The plan should be regularly updated when there are changes occurring in the industrial setup, transportation aspects, key manpower, administrative changes, etc. A plan cannot possibly be static for all time to come. Regular drills, training of key persons, increasing safety awareness, etc. are extremely important areas that must be looked into for sound preparedness.

SCOPE

The scope of the assignment is to prepare an Off-site Emergency Plan as per the guidelines provided by the Ministry of Environment & Forests (MoEF) and as provided in Schedule 12 of the MSIHC Rules, 1989 (Amended in 2000).

1.4 DEFINITIONS [AS PER EP ACT, MSIHC & CHEMICAL ACCIDENTS (EPPR) RULES]

Emergency

An emergency could be defined as an event that causes a temporary break in the normal life of an industry or community. Terms such as disaster, emergency, calamity, etc. are also used depending on particular context and the circumstances.

Emergency (in factory)

An Emergency (in factory) may be defined as one or more emergencies, which can:-

- Affect one or several plants / departments.

- Cause serious injury to personnel.
- Result in extensive damage to property and / or loss of life.
- Cause disruption, both inside and outside the work.

A Major Emergency

A major emergency in a works is one, which has the potential to cause serious injury or loss of life. It may cause extensive damage to property and serious disruption both inside and outside the works. It would normally require the assistance of outside emergency services to handle it effectively. Although the emergency may be caused by number of different factors, e.g. plant failure, human error, earthquake, vehicle crash or sabotage. It will normally manifest itself in 3 basic forms i.e. fire, explosion, or toxic release.

Types of Emergency

1. Social

2. Natural calamities

- Earthquake
- Cyclone
- Flood

3. Man made

- Civil disturbance
- War
- Riots
- Industrial

Man made emergency which are encounters in any industry are :-

- Fire
- Explosion
- Gas leak
- Poisoning
- Those arising out of abnormalities in operation,
- maintenance, start up / shutdown, failure of equipment and use of sub standard / wrong materials

Classification of / Level of Emergencies and Management

(1) Level – 1 Emergency

The emergency which can be managed / controlled on site with the resources of factory concerned in accordance with the on site emergency plan.

(2) Level – 2 Emergency

Emergency that can be managed / controlled by the concerned factory with the mutual aid arrangements and outside resources.

(3) Level – 3 Emergency

Emergency that spill over to off site (outside factory) and may require action from the off site emergency i.e.

(4) Level – 4 Emergency

Emergency which may require assistance and help from the State Government and Central Government to tackle with

Anatomy of an Emergency

No emergency except perhaps a catastrophic natural disaster occurs suddenly. Every emergency has a pattern and its main elements could be distinguished as,

- The warning phase
- Emergency phase
- Rehabilitation phase
- Recovery phase
- Reconstruction phase

The warning signals can be noted in any industrial operations, if adequate and timely measures are not taken during the warning phase, then it suddenly precipitates into the emergency phase when the actual crisis occurs. The emergency phase is distinguished by a sort of fire fighting management exercise and relief is an essential part of this phase. The efficiency of management of a crisis should be judged by the response tuned to the warning signals that leads to the actual crisis and when the crisis does occur, the speed with which it is managed and contained. The earlier the management of crisis moves into the rehabilitation phase from the relief phase the better would be its progress. Efficient and timely management of the rehabilitation phase, the recovery phase and the reconstruction phase would ensure that a similar crisis may not occur and if it does reoccur it's rigors would be much less and can be contained and managed much more efficiently.

Nature of Emergency

If there is any emergency in part of the plant / work place / industry due to any reason, the area which may be affected due to the emergency can be divided in the following two nature :-

Nature – I (On Site Emergency)

Effects remain limited to plants / industry boundary.

Nature – II (Off Site Emergency)

Effect spread to neighboring industry / population.

On Site Emergency

Events likely to endanger human lives, plant and equipment, and is beyond the control of shift personnel and facilities available in the plant.

Requires mobilization of additional resources of other plant department to handle the emergency.

Require help under mutual aid scheme for fire fighting and rescue operation from near by industries.

Off Site Emergency

Events likely to endanger the human lives, plant and equipment within the factory and also in the neighborhood and is not possible to control with the resources available within the factory.

Requires mobilization of out side resources from Local / District Authorities such as Hospital Facilities, Civil Defense, District Magistrate, Police, Army, Air Force, and other agencies (may be called into control and contain the emergency).

Accident

An Accident is an unplanned event, which has a probability of causing personal injury or property damage or both. It may result in physical harm (injury/ disease) to persons, damage to property, a near miss or any combination of these effects.

Chemical Accident

Means an accident involving a fortuitous, or sudden or unintended occurrence while handling any hazardous chemicals resulting in continuous, intermittent or repeated exposure to death, or injury to, any person or damage to any property but does not include an accident by reason only of war or radioactivity.

Industrial Pocket

Means any industrial zone earmarked by the Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation of the State Government or by the State Government or any industrial zone having more MAH units.

Major Chemical Accident

Means an occurrence including any particular major emission, fire or explosion involving one or more hazardous chemicals and resulting from uncontrolled developments in the course of industrial activity or transportation or due to natural events leading to serious effects both immediate or delayed, inside or outside the installation likely to cause substantial loss of life and property including adverse effects on the environment.

Transport

Means movement of hazardous chemicals by any means over land water or air.

Major Accident

Means an incident involving loss of life inside or outside the installation or ten or more injuries inside and / or one of more injuries outside or release of toxic chemicals or explosion or fire or spillage of hazardous chemicals resulting in on site or off site emergencies or damage to equipment leading to stoppage of process of adverse affects to the environment.

Disaster

Man Made Disaster

Disaster resulting from malafide intentions such as sabotage, riots, industrial unrest, air attack etc. resulting into industrial accidents, factory fires, explosions and escape of toxic gases or chemical substances, river pollution, other structural collapses, air, sea, rail and road transport accidents, aircraft crashes, collisions of vehicles carrying inflammable liquids, oil spills at sea etc. will require State / National level resources to combat it.

Natural Calamities

Disasters resulting from natural phenomena like earthquakes, volcanic eruption, storm, surges, cyclones, tropical storms, floods, land slides, forest fires and massive insect infestation. Also in this group, severe drought which will cause a creeping disaster leading to famine, disease and death must be included. These type disasters are not under the purview of this plan.

Chemical Hazard

Chemical hazards is a hazard due to chemical (including its storage, process, handling etc.) and it is realized by fire explosion, toxicity, corrosivity, radiation etc.

Disaster or Contingent Plan

The disaster or contingent plan of the area will be developed by the District / Local Authorities based on the On-site and Off-site Emergencies Plans of individual units in that area.

Hazard

Situation that has the potential for causing injury to life or damage to property and environment.

Hazardous Substance

Hazardous substance is also defined by the same act and hazardous process is defined by section 2(cb) of the factories act.

Off-site Emergency Plan

The Off-site Emergency Plan deals with measures to prevent and control emergencies affecting public and the environment outside the premises. The manufacturer should provide the necessary information on the nature, extent and likely effects of such incidents.

On-site Emergency Plan

The On-site Emergency Plan deals with measures to prevent and control emergencies within the factory and not affecting outside public of environment.

Risk

The probability that injury to life or damage to property and the environment will occur.

CHAPTER 2

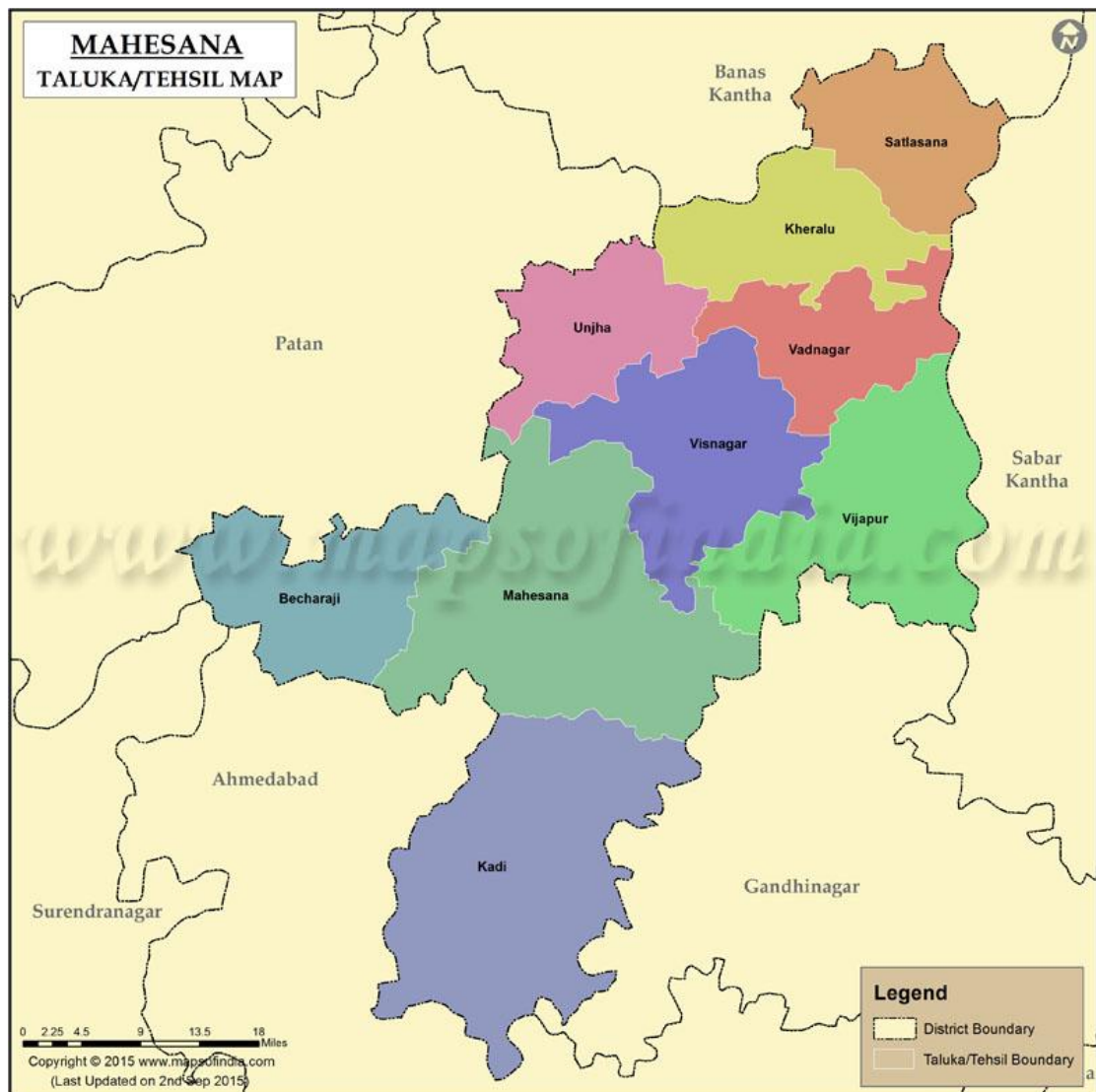
AREA PROFILE

2.1 GENERAL

Off-site emergency planning not only involves detailed analyses of accident scenarios, roles & responsibilities of individuals & teams, management procedures, but also requires information on the topography, climatic conditions and demographic features of the areas surrounding the Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units. These data are necessary to develop scenarios, which are simulation of the actual conditions, thereby providing results, which are realistic and help in practical planning.

2.2 TOPOGRAPHY

The Map of the District with surrounding areas is given as below. (Annexure 1.1)



2.3 METEOROLOGICAL DATA

The climate of the District is generally characterized by a hot summer during major part of the year. Period from March onwards is hot season till the arrival of southwest monsoon in June, which lasts till the end of September, October and November are months of post monsoon.

January is the coldest month of the year. May is the hottest month of the year. The climate is generally hot.

2.4 INDUSTRIAL PROFILE (LIST OF MAH CATEGORY INDUSTRY)

Mehsana is one of the industrialized Districts in the Gujarat. Mehsana district has ten talukas: Mehsana, Kadi, Visnagar, Vijapur, Vadnagar, Kheralu, Becharaji, Satlasana, Jotana, and Unjha. The unique feature of the District is that Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units are located in Mehsana, Kadi, Vijapur, Visnagar taluka only. Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units have been identified based on the information received from the Office of the Director, Industrial Safety & Health, Gujarat and latest information available with the Dy. Director, Industrial Safety & Health, Mehsana. As per the latest information available there are 09 functional Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units in Mehsana District. A list of these 09 functional Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units in the Mehsana District is given at Table – 2.1.

Table – 2.1

Major Accident Hazard (MAH) Units in Mehsana District

Sr. No.	Name of the Unit	Location	Activity/ Product
1	AksharChem India Limited	Plot 166/169 Indrad Village Ta kadi Dist Mehsana, GUJARAT,	Manufacturing of Pigments, Dyes
2	Ambuja Intermediates Limited	Plot No 1152 At-Rajpur Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	Oleum 65%
3	AksharChem India Limited	Plot No 167/168 Village Indrad Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	Manufacturing of Pigments, Dyes
4	Deddy chemicals pvt ltd	Survey No 1143, village Rajpur Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	Chloro acetyl chloride
5	PHARCOS SPECIALITY LIMITED	Survey NO 248-250-279-281 Ranasan GIDC Ta Vijapur Dist Mehsana	Speciality chemicals
6	Nirma Limited	N.H.No -8, NR.Village Mandali Ta & Dist Mehsana	Oleum 23%
7	Cedar Décor Pvt Ltd.	Plot No65/p, Ankhol Patiya Ta. Kadi, Dist. Mehsana	Laminates
8	Gopinath Chem Tech Pvt Ltd	Sr.no- 470 Kundal Nr. Bholenath Saw	Dyes Intermediates

		Mill Ta-Kadi dist Mehsana	
9	Holzwood Industries Pvt Ltd	Survey No 1763 At-Vadsma Ta- Dist Mehsana	Laminates

The directory of containing contact information of industries is given at [Annexure No. 2.2](#)

2.5 LOCATIONS AND SURROUNDINGS OF MAJOR ACCIDENT HAZARD (MAH) UNITS

Mehsana District having 09 Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units. It has good infrastructure in terms of fire fighting (including facility available with the industries) and medical facilities.

Ambuja Intermediats Ltd is Located at Rajpur Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana

Due to the units, movement of heavy vehicles (many even carrying hazardous chemicals) on the internal roads is also very high. Kadi has a fire station, and civil hospital. The hospital is equipped with all facilities. Heavy traffic in the area with poor infrastructure may aggravate the problem during emergency.

Holzwood Industries Pvt Ltd .is Located at Vadsma, Mehsana and using

Formaldehyde, Methanol & Phenol. Cedar Décor Pvt Ltd. is Located at

Ankhol Patiya Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana. Deddy chemicals pvt ltd located at

Rajpur, Kadi. Gopinath Chem Tech Pvt Ltd is located at Ta.Kadi,

Dist.Mehsana. Nirma Limited at Village Mandali Ta & Dist Mehsana. Pharcos

Speciality Limited at Ranasan GIDC Ta Vijapur. AksharChem India Limited is

located at Plot No 167/168 Village Indrad Ta Kadi and AksharChem India

Limited is located at Plot 166/169 Village: Indrad, Ta Kadi.

CHAPTER 3

POTENTIAL FOR OFF-SITE EMERGENCY

3.1 HAZARD IDENTIFICATION & ANALYSIS AT MAJOR ACCIDENT HAZARD (MAH) UNITS

MAH Units in LCG

a) Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units in Kadi pocket

There are 06 Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units in District. All 06 units are located on National highway no 8 and are surrounded by agricultural fields on all sides.

The accident scenarios having potential of Off-site emergency from storage at these Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units are given at [Table 3.1](#).

Based on the information given in this table, it can be observed that the maximum hazard distance for all the accident scenarios of Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units is within 3 km from the accident site. Following points emerge from the analysis of data given in the table and observations made during the field visit.

- The nearest population centers are the respective villages near the Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units.
- Under all the above scenarios, almost all the employees of the concerned and probably some employees in the adjacent unit will be affected, as the case may be.
- As the Hydrogen cylinder are located adjacent to one another, cascading may also happen within the unit.
- Ambuja Intermediate plants as the quantities and therefore the damage potential is also very large. However, cascading effect amongst other units may not occur due to ample separation distance between them.
- Several Hydrogen trucks are always parked near the gates of plants and also at the parking bay. This increases the hazard potential of the area.

Table 3.1**Major Accident Scenarios for MAH Units at Kadi Talukas**

Name of the Unit	Chemical	Storage Qty. (MT)		Damage Distance (m)							Toxic Dispersion		Population likely to be affected	Areas likely to be affected
		Lar-gest	Total	Pool Fire		BLEVE		UVCE			D-3	F-1.5		
				FZR	IZR	FZR	IZR	FZR	IZR	D-LFL				
Akshar Chem India Limited Plot 166/169 Indrad Village Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	Vinyl Sulphone	650 MT	650 MT	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	200M	120 M	5528	Adjacent industrial area within 200 m radius
Ambuja Intermediats ltd Plot No 1152 At-Rajpur Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	Oleum 65%	30 MT	90 MT	500M	-	NA	-	NA	NA	NA	350M	150M	9421	Rajpur village Kadi main road
Akshar Chem India Ltd. Green Division Plot No 167/168 Village Indrad Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	Vinyl Sulphone	7.8 MT	7.8 MT	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	60M	35M	5528	Adjacent plant area
Deddy chemicals pvt ltd Survey No 1143, village Rajpur Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	Chlorine	27 MT	27 MT	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	900M	450M	9421	Rajpur hamlet and surrounding residential pockets within 900 m radius
Cedar Décor Pvt Ltd. Plot No65/p, Ankhol Patiya Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	Formaldehyde	40MT	40 MT	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	750M	1650M	2555	Industrial surroundings of Ankol Patiya
Gopinath Chem Tech Pvt Ltd Sr.no- 470 Kundal Nr. Bholenath Saw Mill Ta-Kadi dist Mehsan	OLEUM 23% OLEUM 65%	27 MT 23 MT	27MT 23MT	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	950M 2100M	1450M 3200M	10295	Kundal area Bholenath Saw Mill

Abbreviations:**BLEVE** – Boiling Liquid Expanding Vapor Explosion**UVCE** – Unconfined Vapor Cloud Explosion**FZR** – Fatal Zone Radius**IZR** – Injury Zone Radius**LFL** – Distance to Lower Flammable Limit**D-3** – Stability Class D, wind speed 3 m/s**F-1.5** – Stability Class F, wind speed 1.5 m/s**Note:** Flammable liquid, no pressurized storage → BLEVE = NA, Methanol, dyes, and oleum are not stored under pressure → No BLEVE.

3.2 TRANSPORT EMERGENCY

As can be observed from the foregoing sections, Mehsana Dist. has a 09 number of Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units handling a variety of hazardous chemicals like Ethylene Oxide, Chlorine, Hydrogen gas, Formaldehyde, Methanol & Phenol. Therefore, the transportation of hazardous chemical in the District is due to the following:

- Manufacturers dispatching hazardous chemicals to units within or outside the District.
- Manufacturers or other chemical industries receiving hazardous chemicals from manufacturers located within or outside the District.
- Bulk storage terminals receiving hazardous chemicals through pipelines and / or ships and dispatching to users within or outside the District.
- Transient traffic of hazardous chemicals carrier passing through the major corridors of the District.

3.2.1 Major Corridors for Hazchem (hazardous chemicals) Transportation

NH-48 (Ahmedabad–Mehsana–Delhi Highway) :-

This is the major national highway passing through Mehsana district, linking Ahmedabad — Mehsana — Palanpur and further north.

Heavy vehicles including hazardous chemical tankers commonly use this corridor due to connectivity to industrial centres and other states.

Often recommended as a primary route for bulk chemical transport to minimise transit through smaller towns.

Ahmedabad–Mehsana–Palanpur corridor (State/National Highway)

This stretch forms part of long-distance hazchem routes connecting Ahmedabad and northern Gujarat/India.

This is listed in Gujarat state hazchem transport routing guidance as the road used for many chemical freight movements

3.2.2 Major Hazchems Transported

Based on the results of an earlier study conducted by the Ministry of Environment & Forest (MoEF), following are the major hazchem transported through the District :-

Acids (Acetic, Hydrochloric, Nitric, Sulphuric) & Alkalies	Carbon disulphide
Ammonia	Methanol
Benzene	Motor spirit
Chlorine	Naphtha
Diesel	Oleum
Kerosene	Solvents (Xylene, Toluene, Aromax)
LPG/Propane	Technical pesticides

3.2.3 Transportation Hazard Potential

As mentioned above, various hazardous chemicals are being transported through out the District. With heavy transportation activity within the district, the potential for accidents also increases correspondingly. Accidents scenarios have been visualized for major hazardous chemicals passing through the district and the details are given below. This table provides likely scenario, chemical involved, its quantity and expected area of exposure. As transport emergency can happen anywhere in the District, the area and population likely to get affected will depend on the location and prevalent meteorological conditions in the area.

Table - 3.6
Transport Accident Scenarios

Sr. No	Transport Accident Scenario	Area Likely to be Affected
1.	Failure of chlorine toner	1 to 1.4 Km down wind
2.	Failure of acid / alkali tanker	Immediate surroundings and burns to persons coming in direct contact with the substance
3.	Ammonia leak from cylinder	Varying, depending on the capacity of the cylinder but not more than 1 km
4.	Ammonia leak from a tanker	Up to 3 km down wind

5.	Escape of explosive gases from cylinder followed by explosion	Explosion may cause over pressure up to 50 m for a short duration. However, pieces of damaged cylinder may travel up to 100 m from the accident site
6.	LPG leak from tanker followed by fire / explosion	Thermal radiation and overpressure effects will be up to 200 m for short duration. BLEVE may result first degree burns up to 150 m and also cause secondary fires depending on the location of occurrence.
7.	Spill / leak of flammable petroleum products followed by fire	Thermal radiation effects of unconfined pool fire will be felt up to 25 m from the pool edge for the duration of fire.
8.	Spill leak of CS ₂ followed by fire in a road tanker	Thermal radiation effects of unconfined pool fire will be felt up to 30 m from the pool edge for the duration of fire. Burning of CS ₂ results in formation of toxic sulphur dioxide, effects of which may be felt up to a distance of 2 km from the accident site
9.	Spill / leak of solvents and other flammable chemicals such as toluene, methanol, benzene and xylene followed by fire	Thermal radiation effects of unconfined pool fire will be felt up to 15 m from the pool edge for the duration of fire.

Other items that will have bearing on the extent of damage are :-

- Rate of chemical release - lower rates pose lesser risks. As per the guidelines of the Ministry of Environment & Forest (MoEF), we have considered catastrophic failure of container. However, it seldom happens in actual incidents and the material escapes from the container at a much lesser rate.
- Location : high population density – unfavorable.
- First response by the driver, if possible – favorable.
- Prompt action by response agencies – favorable.

3.3 HAZARD IDENTIFICATION FOR NATURAL & OTHER MAN MADE DISASTERS

Such hazard could occur due to :-

3.3.1 Floods & heavy rain

3.3.2 Earthquake

3.3.3 Cyclone

3.3.4 War

Leakage, spillage, escaping of toxic flammable, explosive, reactive, poisonous chemical vapor, dust, fumes from storage, manufacturing, handling, transportation, failure of equipment, civil commotion, armed conflicts, sabotage, war, riots and civil disturbances may result in toxic release, land poisoning, water poisoning, fire or explosion or combination of all.

This will affect human being, living creatures, land and water poisoning, damage to property and plant etc.

CHAPTER 4

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION

4.1 BACKGROUND

The first response team is the frontal organization that is responsible for all types of off-site emergency preparedness and response. The District Collector is the overall in-charge for planning, execution and coordination of off-site emergency management activities. District Collector has constituted District Crisis Group (DCG) for Mehsana District. The District Collector is also required to communicate with State, National and International emergency agencies for information and support on response strategies.

4.2 COMPOSITION & FUNCTION OF DISTRICT CRISIS GROUP (DCG)

District Crisis Group has been constituted for Mehsana District, in line with the guidelines. The composition of the District Crisis Group (DCG) is given at [Figure - 4.1](#). The details of all the members of District Crisis Group are given at [Annexure - 2.4](#).

The District Crisis Group (DCG), constituted as per the Chemical Accidents (Emergency Planning, Preparedness and Response) Rules, 1996, is the apex body at the district level responsible for planning, directing, and reviewing chemical accident preparedness. The DCG is chaired by the District Collector and typically includes key officials such as the Chief District Fire Officer, Superintendent of Police, District Health Officer, representatives from the Pollution Control Board, Factory Inspectorate, Emergency Response Agencies, and technical experts from major hazardous industries located within the district. The group also includes nominated members from local authorities, transporters of hazardous chemicals, and other specialized agencies to ensure a coordinated, multi-disciplinary approach to chemical disaster management, off-site emergency planning, and periodic mock-drill evaluation.

The District Crisis Group is the apex body in the District to deal with major chemical accidents and to provide expert guidance for appropriately handling them. The District Crisis Group will :-

- Assist in the preparation of the District Off-site Emergency Plan.
- Review all the On-site Emergency Plans prepared by the occupiers of respective Major Accident Hazard (MAH) installations as inputs for the preparation of the District Off-site Emergency Plan.
- Assist the District administration in the management of chemical accidents at a site lying within the District.
- Continuously monitor every chemical accident.
- Ensure continuous information flow from the District to the Center and State Crisis Groups regarding accident situation and mitigation efforts.
- Conduct at-least one full scale mock-drill of a chemical accident at a site each year and forward a report of the strengths & weakness of the plan to the State Crisis Group.
- Meet every 45 days and send a report to the State Crisis Group.

4.3 COMPOSITION & FUNCTION OF LOCAL CRISIS GROUP (LCG)

No LCG is formed in the district as there are only 09 MAH Factories in the district which are all located at scattered pocketes and hence it can be taken care by DCG only. Hence no need is felt to from LCG in the district. The constitution of LCG as per EPPR rules-1996 is given in **FIGURE - 4.2**

FIGURE - 4.1

EMERGENCY ORGANISATION OF THE DISTRICT CRISIS GROUP (DCG)

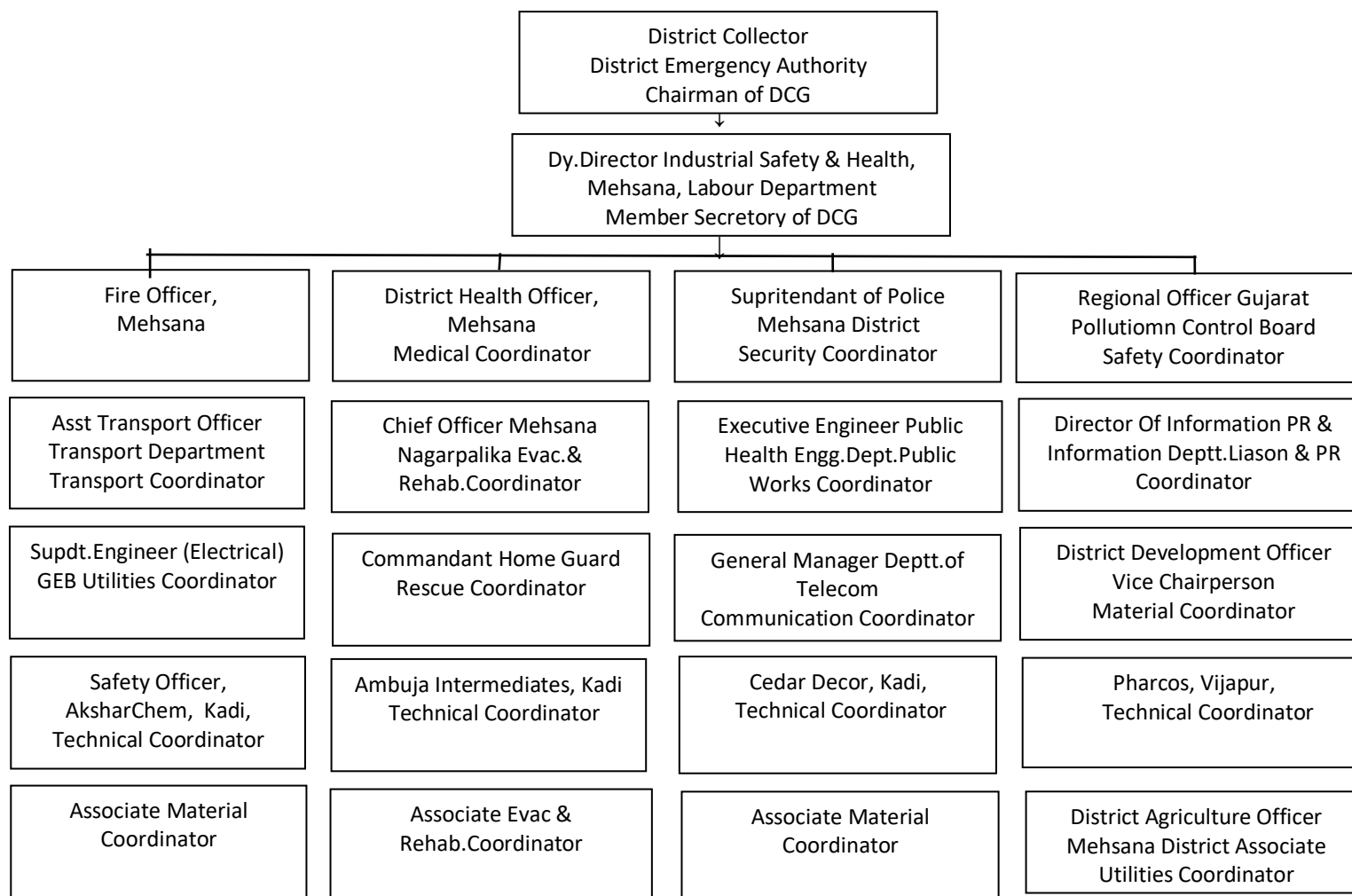
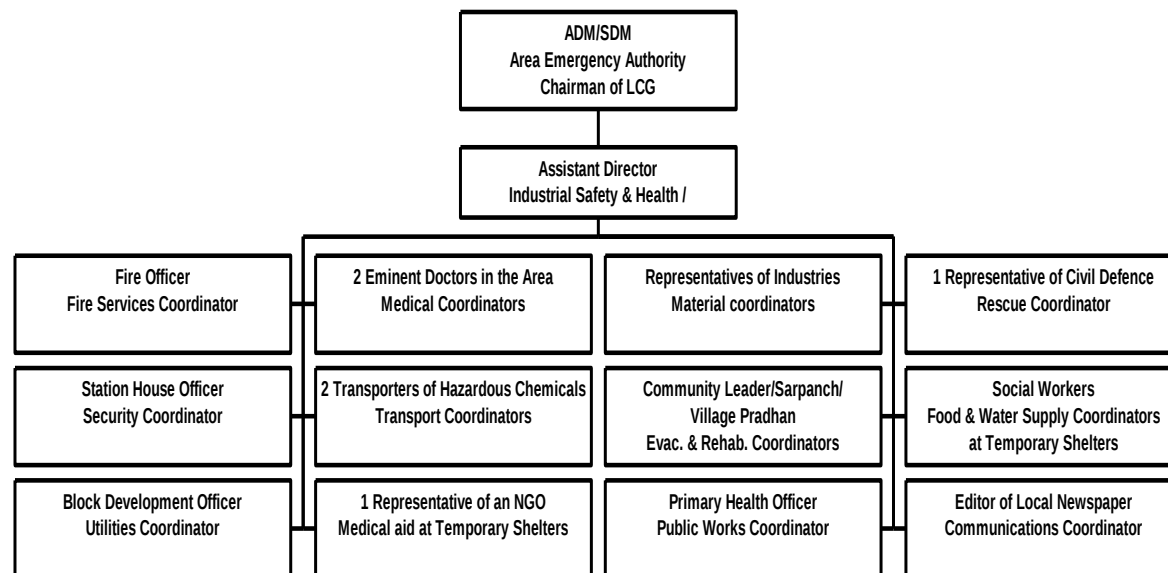


FIGURE - 4.2
EMERGENCY ORGANISATION OF THE AREA LOCAL CRISIS GROUP (LCG)



4.4 ORGANOGRAMS FOR TYPICAL EMERGENCIES

The prime requirement during a chemical emergency is well-coordinated efforts for effective management and control. This calls for identification of personnel and resources that will be involved in each function of emergency planning such as fire fighting, medical, rescue and combat, communication, etc. These personnel will function as a team for each distinct activity and may or may not be involved in all types of activities. The proposed organization charts for different teams for emergency management are presented.

With the knowledge of the area, identification of hazards due to storage and transportation of hazardous chemicals in the area and formulation of emergency organizations at different levels, we now need to assign appropriate roles and responsibilities to each of the identified key person for rendering effective response during emergency. The pre-emergency activities required to be performed by each of the team members are given in the next chapter.

CHAPTER 5

PREEMERGENCY PLANNING & PREPAREDNESS FUNCTIONS

5.1 INTRODUCTION

While implementation of accident prevention measures at an industrial installation is an internal function of the unit, there are various activities that go into planning and preparedness to effectively counter the impacts of chemical accidents at off-site level. For such accidents, which have off-site consequences, it becomes the responsibility of external authorities to apply countermeasure efforts and minimize the damage to men and material. For effectively handling such situations, the response agencies need to be in a good state of operational readiness and this requires meticulous planning on their part. While each member needs to identify and train first and second alternate officers, who can act on their behalf during their absence at the time of emergency, they also need to provide guidance to their counterparts in the local crisis group for effectively handling emergency situations. Following paragraphs discuss the pre emergency planning and preparedness functions for each member of the District Crisis Group (DCG) and their respective teams including counterparts in Local Crisis Group (LCG).

5.2 DISTRICT EMERGENCY AUTHORITY – DISTRICT COLLECTOR

- Provide guidance for preparing the Off-site Emergency Plan for the District and approve on finalization.
- Ensure that yearly mock drills of offsite plan are conducted effectively and outcome is used to improve the emergency planning and preparedness.
- In association with members of District Crisis Group (DCG), identify and assess the adequacy of resources available in the District to combat various possible emergency scenarios and prepare a plan to build the resource base to the required level. Logistics have been worked out for typical chemical emergency scenarios in Major Accident Response System (MARS) for each area. Help can be taken from the calculations provided to assess and build-up the resource base to the required level.
- Being Chairman of the DCG, the District Collector will formulate the response objectives and strategies for various possible off-site emergency scenarios, with assistance from all the members of DCG.
- Detailed response procedures for each accident scenario have been provided separately based on the type and level of emergency in MARS for each cluster.

- In association with Chairman of Local Crisis Group (LCG), plan and organize public awareness programs to educate the population likely to be affected in a chemical accident about the remedies, existing preparedness in the area, do's and don'ts during emergency, etc.

5.3 MEMBER SECRETARY – DY. DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIAL SAFETY & HEALTH, MEHSANA.

- Assist members of the District Crisis Group (DCG) in identifying and understanding their roles and responsibilities for emergency management.
- In addition to having good knowledge of the industries and their operations, he also has fairly good knowledge of the area with respect to location of resources and facilities, communication and transport network and should therefore disseminate this information to other members of the District Crisis Group & Local Crisis Group (LCG).
- Identify, provide and maintain adequate facilities in District Crisis Control Room (DCCR) and at Local Command Post (LCP).
- Assist/Deputy District Collector in organizing meeting of DCG every 45 days (as per Chemical Accident rules).
- Conduct a full-scale mock trial at least once every year, monitor progress and provide technical inputs to improve preparedness level.
- Forward the report of such trials to State Crisis Group.
- Update the off-site emergency plan in consultation with the members of DCG, as and when required. The requirement and methodology for testing and plan updation is provided in the next chapter.

5.4 COMMUNICATION COORDINATOR – MANAGER – TELECOM, MEHSANA

Good communication system is critical to a successfully orchestrated response action, particularly if a number of different agencies or organizations at the Local, District, State, and even Country level have important roles. The goal therefore is to quickly establish secure communication links between all major parties to a response action. The main responsibilities of communications coordinator for emergency planning and preparedness are to:

- Identify all available means of communication / warning and notification such as basic telephones, mobile phones, walkie-talkie, cable TV, radio, etc. that can be made use of during an emergency.
- Also identify ham radio operators in the area, assess how they can help during an emergency and formulate a procedure for seeking their help when required.
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- Identify all the members of District Crisis Group (DCG) / Local Crisis Group (LCG) who have walkie-talkie and prepare a list of frequency and address code for contacting them during an emergency. Also prepare a list of members with their mobile numbers so that it can be used during an emergency.
- Prepare a pocket directory of key contact persons covering the members of DCG, LCG, their subordinates who might have to be instructed for carrying out specific tasks during an emergency, representatives of industries, experts and first & second alternates of all the members. The directory should include the name, designation, emergency designation, organization/department, office and residential address and telephone numbers, mobile phone numbers (if available) and contact information for access through walkie talkie. The directory of key contacts providing name, address and phone numbers of the control rooms, industries, LCGs, DCG, expert agencies, police stations, NGOs and press & media have been compiled in Annexure 2 which can be used for the purpose.
- All the members of the DCG/ LCG should always carry such a pocket diary, so that, irrespective of their location during an emergency at any time (say even at midnight), they can start coordinating response activities before reaching District Emergency Control Center (DECC). The same is true for first and second alternates of all the members.
- Provide additional telephone lines with unlisted numbers to response agencies wherever required. Providing telephones with only incoming facility may also be considered for first responders.
- Arrange to establish an all call system on telephone network for notification of emergency in the areas likely to be affected.
- Prepare and keep up-to-date the list and contact information of sensitive areas having concentration of population such as educational institutions, cinema halls, hospitals, prisons, etc. which may require early notification. As transport accidents can happen almost anywhere in the District, this will also require identification of such areas along the major transport corridors of the District.
- As the damage distances in certain chemical accident scenarios exceed 3 Km (normal audible range of an industrial facility siren) warning and notification in far-flung areas becomes an important issue. Installation of fixed system has its own associated problems of techno-commercial feasibility, maintenance and up-keep. In view of this, warning and notification through vehicles mounted with siren and PA system may be considered. For this the communication coordinator shall, in association with transport coordinator, prepare and keep up-to-date the location-wise list of all the government and other vehicles having siren and PA system facility.

- Prepare standard message formats (in English and Gujarati) for use in radio / television broadcast or outdoor notification through megaphones to facilitate and reduce time necessary to alert the public of a problem and inform them of the protective actions to be taken. Sample instructions for toxic vapor release scenario could be.

There is a chemical emergency at Name of the Unit / Location. Kindly follow these instructions :-

In case of Shelter-in-place

- Everyone is advised to stay indoors.
- Close all doors, windows and ventilation systems.
- Please keep your face covered by a wet towel.
- If possible stay under a shower.

In case of evacuation: (based on information provided by Evacuation Coordinator)

- Everyone is advised to come out of their houses immediately and proceed to Name of the Assembly Point via Name of the Route.
- You are advised to bring any prescription, medicines and special personal care items with you.
- Our other team members are taking adequate care of your children at the school (if applicable).
- All vehicle owners are requested to take as many people as possible with them and reach Name of the Rehabilitation Center, which has been declared as the rehabilitation center.
- Following Names of transportation means / transporters have been arranged for you at Name of the Assembly Point.
- Volunteers with Yellow Jackets are there to assist you. Please feel free in telling them your problems.

Establish a warning system for different level of emergencies. It is important to note that wailing tones of siren for emergency purpose must be distinct from normal usage by the industries for begin / end of shifts. Suggested modes for emergency purpose are :-

- For accident scenarios having off-site consequences - Long siren of 30 seconds duration followed by short siren of 10 seconds duration at least 10 times.

- For All-Clear signal: small sirens of 10 seconds each for two minutes.

Information on communication and warning system available with various Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units.

Same system should be followed by all industries and vehicles, which are wailing sirens for notification of an emergency. Announcements of standard messages may be carried out by vehicles, between wailing of sirens, for the benefit of those who are not aware of the warning signals.

Once a warning system has been discussed and finalized by the District Crisis Group (DCG), the same will be publicized for creating awareness among the local residents.

In consultation with the Railway authority prepare a plan for warning / stopping of trains at a safe distance during an emergency.

Assess the efficiency of the main and alternate communication system and warning system during mock drills and update the system where required.

5.5 TECHNICAL COORDINATORS - 4 EXPERTS IN INDUSTRIAL SAFETY & HEALTH

Technical Coordinators are the key people who have thorough understanding of the industrial processes, chemical hazards, safety and emergency management related issues. They are usually either entrepreneurs themselves or senior employees of major hazard units. Their responsibilities therefore include:-

- Formulation of response objectives and strategy in consultation with the District Collector (DC). This would involve providing technical inputs on toxicity, chemical emergency management procedures, resource requirement and deployment procedures, etc.
- As hazard identification for major chemical emergency scenarios have already been worked out, the results of computer simulation carried out for MCA scenarios at Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units as given in Chapter 3 can be used for the purpose of estimating the damage distances. Providing regular training to first responders and support agencies.
- Deciding on which areas require evacuation and residents of which locations can be suggested to take shelter in place.

- Assisting the Evacuation Coordinator in identifying safe areas for assembly points and safe routes for their transfer to rehabilitation shelters based on possible wind directions.
- Assisting the members of the District Crisis Group (DCG) in plan testing and updating based on outcome of the mock-trials conducted in the District.

Time is very critical in situations that require public evacuation or related protective actions and does not permit lengthy discussions or deliberations as to whether an evacuation is warranted or how large an area should be considered at risk. Predetermined criteria for decision making therefore greatly facilitate the process. Whereas, pucca houses with doors, windows and ventilators closed can provide adequate protection in scenarios where the contaminant residence time is not too long, population residing in shanty houses will definitely need to be evacuated to safer locations. The overview of shelter-in-place concept is given at [Annexure - 5.2](#).

5.6 SAFETY COORDINATOR – REGIONAL OFFICER, GPCB

- Regularly obtain and keep a record of meteorological conditions in different areas of the District from IMD. Establish a link with IMD / other Met Stations in the area and also Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units who monitor wind speed and direction on continuous basis to get the real time met data at the time of emergency.
- As wind socks are available at most of the MAH units and the simulation has been carried out for two atmospheric stability classes, following guidelines may be used for identifying the respective damage distances for different accident scenarios :-
 1. Atmospheric stability Class F represents light, steady winds, night time skies and low level of turbulence. Therefore, damage distances corresponding to stability Class F may occur only during nighttime.
 2. Atmospheric stability class D represents neutral conditions and applicable to heavy overcast conditions. Therefore, damage distances corresponding to stability class D may occur during daytime only.
 3. Higher wind speeds (>3 m/s) would further assist in contaminant dispersion and therefore the damage distances would be lesser than those estimated during the simulation.
- Put a system in place and develop capability to monitor residual contaminant concentration in air, water, soil, food, fodder, etc. It would be required to monitor the residual concentration of toxic contaminant after emergency to declare the area, water, soil, etc. safe for reentry / use. To begin with, capability can be developed for various toxic chemicals used in the area and

it can be extended to other toxic chemicals, which are transported through the area.

5.7 FIRE SERVICES COORDINATOR – FIRE OFFICER

- Formulate response strategy for each of the identified accident scenarios. This would involve assessment of the use of fire-fighting equipment and media for specific chemicals involved in fire.
- Based on the above, assess the requirements in terms of men and material that may be required during a major chemical emergency.
- Prepare an inventory of special fire-fighting equipment/media available with the department and the Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units and identify sources for procurement of additional material for use during an emergency. In addition to the fire fighting, develop capability to handle various scenarios of toxic chemicals release.
- Train the manpower on handling chemical emergencies (major fire / explosion / toxic release) covering knowledge of possible chemicals accidents scenarios, use of Personal Protective Equipments (PPEs), controlling damage during transport accidents (such as capping leaking chlorine toner by using chlorine kit), etc.
- Conduct truncated mock trials regularly.

5.8 RESCUE COORDINATOR – COMMANDANT, HOME GUARDS

- Based on the possible emergency scenarios, assess the requirement of men and material that may be required during an emergency. List of special rescue equipment available with various agencies is provided.
- Establish special rescue squads and train them for rescue of entrapped workers, members of response agencies and also local population.

5.9 MEDICAL COORDINATOR – DISTRICT MEDICAL & HEALTH OFFICER

- Formulate mass casualty plan: - This item pertains to those emergency situations, which have the potential to kill or injure hundreds, or possibly thousands of individuals over a short period of time. Its intent is to ensure that medical care providers can cope with the problem as efficiently and effectively as possible. Fortunately, many hospitals and clinics across the country already have such plans for non-chemical related emergencies and therefore have the basic elements of a plan that can be expanded to cope up with hazardous material emergencies. For this, it is necessary in all chemical exposure situations, to have information readily available on:-
- Toxic effects of the substance(s) of concern by all likely routes of exposure of commonly used hazardous chemicals in the district are provided.

- Observable symptoms of human exposures;
- Special medical tests (if any) that may be advisable to assess the extent of injury;
- Need to observe victims for delayed effects; and
- Treatment methods or protocols recommended for various types and levels of exposure.

Public authorities should never assume that physicians or hospitals have this information on hand. Nor should they assume that the basic first aid and health effect data given in typical material safety data sheets would be adequate for all eventualities. It, therefore, is the responsibility of the district medical coordinator to compile the first-aid and comprehensive treatment procedures for each toxic substance handled in the District, which has the capability of affecting a large section of population.

- Formulate a system for quick establishment of triage stations.
- Identify specific antidotes / medicines based on the common chemicals handled in the district. Prepare an inventory of specific antidotes / medicines available with different agencies such as hospitals, chemist shops, stockiest of drugs and prepare a plan for quick procurement of the same during an emergency

Refer Annexure 4 for remedial measures and common treatment procedures for exposure to chlorine and burn victims.

5.10 UTILITIES COORDINATOR – EXEC. ENGINEER (ELECT.) GEB

- Prepare a list and contact information of utility sub-stations or distribution points, which need to be informed to switch off the power supply in a particular area if required.
- Identify agencies, which give portable DG sets on hire, as alternate source of power may be required during an emergency to perform combat activities. Formulate a plan for procurement and quick deployment of such equipment during an emergency.
- Identify and maintain a list of alternate sources of water for fire fighting.
- Identify and maintain a list of alternate sources of potable water for general population at residential areas and temporary shelters.
- In consultation with the transport coordinator, prepare a plan to provide water from the above sources through tankers, at incident site, residential areas and temporary shelters.

5.11 MATERIAL COORDINATOR – DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

- Procure a list of all the Personal Protective Equipments (PPEs) and other combat material, from the members of District Crisis Group (DCG), which may be required by them during an emergency. Compile the lists to prepare an estimate of different items that will be required by response agencies.
- Prepare an inventory of above material available with response agencies and industries. Identify the vendors / agencies / stockiest from where the additional requirement of such material can procure at short notice.
- Formulate a plan for distribution of PPEs and other material / equipment to response personnel, which they may require during an emergency.
- In addition to the specific PPEs and combat equipment, also identify sources of food, wheel chairs, general medicines, and recreation facilities that may be required at rehabilitation centers during an emergency. Prepare a plan for procurement of above material at short notice.

5.12 EVACUATION AND REHABILITATION COORDINATOR – CHIEF OFFICER OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATION/ NOTIFIED AREA.

- In association with the technical & transport coordinators, identify main and alternate assembly points based on different wind directions where people can assemble for getting evacuated.
- Also identify evacuation routes based on different wind directions through which the assembled population can be taken to temporary shelters.
- Based on above information, identify temporary shelters in different wind directions for accommodating the evacuated population.
- In consultation with the medical coordinator, prepare a plan for evacuation of patients, for hospitals falling in the hazard zone.
- In consultation with the security coordinator, prepare a plan for shifting people in police custody, if a police station is likely to fall in the hazard zone.
- In consultation with the authorities of educational institutions, prepare a plan for evacuation of students, teachers and other staff members, for such institutions falling under the hazard zone.
- In consultation with the District Collector and the Prison Authorities, prepare a plan to evacuate prisoners, officers and staff members, if the prison is likely to fall in the hazard zone. This scenario may only happen during transport emergency occurring near prison.

Note that the evacuation of people from individual residences who require special notification or assistance (such as senior citizens and physically handicapped) can be facilitated if public officials have compiled a list of those homes requiring personal attention. The local census data can be of great help in compilation of such information.

5.13 TRANSPORT COORDINATOR – ASSISTANT TRANSPORT OFFICER

- Various vehicles (available with the District Administration and Police Department) are fitted with sirens, Public Address (PA) system and walkie-talkies. Prepare a list of all such vehicles available in the District and shortlist those that can be made use of for warning general population.
- Establish agreements with public and private agencies having water tankers for provision of water to residential areas, temporary shelters and for fire fighting under emergency situation.
- Establish procedure with material coordinator for obtaining appropriate protective clothing and equipment for its distribution to personnel who may have prolonged and excessive exposure to toxic contaminants while performing notification or evacuation operations.
- Training at least some of the drivers on emergency procedures and on use of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), if entry might be necessary or may unexpectedly occur (due to shift in wind direction or other factors) to zones with toxic air contaminants.
- In association with the evacuation and rehabilitation coordinator, identify main and alternate assembly points based on different wind directions where people can assemble for getting evacuated.
- Identify routes for response agencies and alternate routes for evacuation of general public for different wind directions.

5.14 SECURITY COORDINATOR – DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE

- Assess the requirement of manpower and vehicles under different emergency scenarios.
- Assess the requirement of Personal Protective Equipments (PPEs) and other resources required for handling chemical emergencies.
- In association with the evacuation and rehabilitation coordinator, prepare a plan for evacuation of prisoners, from prisons or police stations, for such areas, which are likely to fall in the hazard zone.
- Provide training to police personnel on handling chemical emergency scenarios.

5.15 PUBLIC WORKS COORDINATOR – EXECUTIVE ENGINEER - PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- Compile a list of those companies or facilities that draw water from water bodies in the area of concern, together with a list of appropriate contacts and telephone numbers at these facilities for notifying them in case of an emergency.
- In association with technical coordinators, identify scenarios where wash water from emergency operations should not be allowed to enter rivers or

surface water bodies and inform the Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units accordingly.

- Formulate a plan to contain wash water from emergency operation in dykes, tanks, etc., for further treatment before discharge to surface water bodies.
- Identify sewer shut-off points for the containment of hazardous materials that may leak or flow into sanitary and storm sewers.
- In association with the technical coordinators, formulate plan for containment of hazardous chemicals in case of transport emergency.
- Identify the material that may be required for above operation and compile a list of agencies from where it can be procured at short notice during emergency.
- In association with the veterinarian department, formulate a decontamination plan for domestic livestock and wildlife.
- Formulate a mass casualty plan for domestic livestock and wildlife.

5.16 LIAISON & PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR – ASSI. DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

Prepare a list of contacts with telephone numbers of media persons who need to be informed of an emergency.

5.17 COORDINATION WITHIN LOCAL CRISIS GROUP

Since several individuals and agencies are involved in decision making, the coordination amongst members is a vital requirement for the success of the plan. In order to ensure better coordination amongst the members, the following need to be pursued:-

- Clear and concise communication amongst the members.
- Efficient communication and warning system.
- Sequential decisions flow from the coordinator to the field personnel.
- Team spirit and task orientation.
- Appropriate training and retraining in emergency preparedness.
- Regular and frequent field visits, mock drills, and simulation exercises at Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units.
- Discussion of observations and feedback.
- Motivation of field personnel.

CHAPTER 6

CONTROL ROOMS

6.1 AIM & OBJECTIVES OF CONTROL ROOMS

It is a nodal center point of emergency authorities for fast flow of information upwards and downwards (to & fro) in case of any kind of emergency / disaster.

It also a some sort source of quick supply of emergency requirement for quick action to control to mitigate effects at some extent quickly, as well as great speedy extended rescue, relief and rehabilitation operations. To save human lives, living creatures, property and environment.

It has dual objective i.e. during emergency, which show above. Others objective is during normal times. They are as follows :-

1. Work as data bank, collection of data & keeping up to date information.
2. Give training to personnel.
3. Building public awareness.
4. Maintain emergency equipment in working condition.

6.2 LOCATION OF CONTROL ROOMS

Sr. No	Main Control Room				Alternate / Shadow Control Room No. 1			
	Name	Place	Telephone No.		Name	Place	Telephone No.	
			O	R			O	R
1.	DDMA (District Disaster Management Authority)	Mehsana	02762236386	-	-	-	-	-

6.3 FACILITIES AVAILABLE AT CONTROL ROOM

At present facilities available in various Control Room functioning at different place is given below :-

Apart from Control Rooms at Collector, SDM and Mamlatdar offices there is no independent Control Room. At present alternate Control Rooms are fixed at Nirma Ltd., Mandali, Mehsana. The facilities available with the industries in this area are utilized at the time of emergencies. For the pocket of Mehsana respective SDM & Mamlatdar office will be the control room / alternative control room.

Presently the following facilities are available at the Control Room, Nirma Ltd., Mandali, Mehsana :-

1.	Mobile Foam Tender	-	Nil
2.	Fire Jeep	-	Nil
3.	Ambulance	-	5 No.
4.	Manpower	-	1145+705
5.	Breathing Apparatus Sets	-	5 No.
6.	Chemical Canister Mask	-	51 Nos.
7.	B.A. Set Compressor	-	5 Nos.
8.	Water Monitors (Mobile)	-	01 No.
9.	Map of the Area	-	01 No.

- **Local Crisis Group, Mehsana :-** In case of emergency in Mehsana taluka MAH units Disaster Management Centre (Control Room) has been set up at SDM office. In case of emergency in other talukas Disaster Management Centre (Control Room) has been set up at respective SDM / Taluka Mamlatdar offices.

CHAPTER 7

PLAN TESTING AND UPDATING

7.1 INTRODUCTION

In areas having well-run industrial houses, Off-site Emergency Plans could get tested very infrequently. This may lead to rusting of the various response agencies in the area. It is therefore extremely important for the response personnel to be trained at regular intervals. There are two aspects of training, viz., technical and emergency management. Whereas the former can be through classroom sessions, interaction and industry visits, the latter requires thorough knowledge of the roles, responsibilities and linkages that have to be ensured during emergencies. This aspect can only be checked through a plan testing process in which an emergency situation is simulated.

An emergency response plan is developed to deal with largely unperfected events. Those involved in planning and preparing for emergencies must undertake periodic exercises to test the plan. Any plan remains a “paper plan” until it is put to test, as there are bound to be omissions and faults. Testing exercises vary in type and scope. The simplest type is a “desk-top” exercise; the most complicated is the full-scale mock drill.

7.2 DESK-TOP EXERCISE

Such an exercise basically involves development of a written accident scenario wherein all members of the response team take part in a paper exercise to ensure that each of them knows their as well as other members role in an emergency situation. The written scenario shall clearly identify the following:-

- Objective of the drill.
- Components of the plant to be tested.
- List of participants.
- Sequence of events.
- Level of simulated hazard, and
- Exercise evaluation checklist.

The written scenario shall be as realistic as possible and shall be taken from the sequence of events from an actual emergency.

Critique sessions during which the results of the evaluation are presented are crucial. The plan should be modified following such sessions, to rectify the shortcomings highlighted by the drill. A desk-top exercise is particularly useful for testing a new plan for the following reasons:-

- A new plan is likely to have many shortcomings, which can be readily discovered through such an exercise.
- The participants in the exercise will get an opportunity to work together, probably for the first time. When members of an emergency team meet frequently, work together, they are highly likely to cooperate effectively and efficiently during real emergency, and

- Desktop exercises are far less expensive than full-scale emergency drills.

The works main controller of the Major Accident Hazard (MAH) unit should take the initiative in organizing such exercises. Representatives of external agencies could also be involved in desktop plan testing process. Once a few such exercises have been conducted at the industry, Local and District levels, the modified plan is ready to be tested by field methods as given in subsequent sections.

7.3 TRUNCATED TRIALS

Truncated trials are an extension of the desktop exercises but lie halfway to the full-scale drills. In this exercise, it is required by the members of District Crisis Group (DCG) and their respective teams to be in readiness. It is primarily based on effectiveness of communication. At times it may also be scaled up to the industry level to actually estimate the response time for mobilization and deployment of resources at the incident site by the external agencies and departments.

This exercise gives almost a true picture of the level of preparedness of the personnel and familiarization of roles and responsibilities by individuals involved in emergency operation. Involvement of external agencies is a very important aspect as it is the only way for achieving effective coordination of the industry personnel with officers of support government agencies. Through these trials, officers of government agencies also get to work in close coordination with industry personnel and get the exposure of industrial safety aspects & requirements. It also gives an opportunity to identify gaps in the plan and areas of overlapping responsibilities amongst the industry personnel and government departments. Overlapping responsibilities are often the cause of confusion and thus through such exercise the deployment pattern of man and material can be further improvised.

7.4 FULL SCALE TESTING

Nothing can replace a full-scale emergency drill as a means of identifying further areas requiring improvements in an Off-site Emergency Plan. Careful pre-planning of the drill, preparing a drill scenario and defining the evaluation process are all critical elements to a successful test. The emphasis of these drills might be on one or all of the interacting aspects of the plan. Some examples are given below:-

- Test the degree of cooperation achieved between the various agencies involved in plan implementation.
- Test the use and performance of emergency equipment such as fire extinguishers, self breathing apparatus, decontamination equipment, fire engines, ambulances, etc.
- Test the level of preparedness of various agencies and services involved in plan implementation.

- To estimate time taken for various activities such as notification, alarm, response, resource mobilization, deployment, etc.
- To test the knowledge gained by response personnel (of both industry and others) who have been imparted specialized training in emergency management.
- Test the feasibility of the formulated evacuation and rehabilitation plan, etc.

A full-scale mock drill could consider all the above aspects in one go and thus bring out practical bottlenecks in implementation of the plan. Such exercises are therefore essential in making the plan practical as far as possible.

As per the Chemical Accident (CA) EPPR Rules, 1996, a full-scale mock trial should be conducted by the District Crisis Group (DCG) once in a year. These groups are also required to prepare and send the report on the strengths and weaknesses of the mock trial to DCG and State Crisis Group respectively.

The present plan for Mehsana District, on its approval by the District Collector and Ministry of Environment & Forest (MoEF), will be tested using aforementioned tools to check its practicability.

7.5 PLAN UPDATION

As plan testing, its updating is also a systematic process. The testing process should be closely monitored and steps documented. This will help in identifying the lacunae easily and will thus facilitate the plan updating. The Off-site Emergency Plan should be updated after one or more of the following activities:-

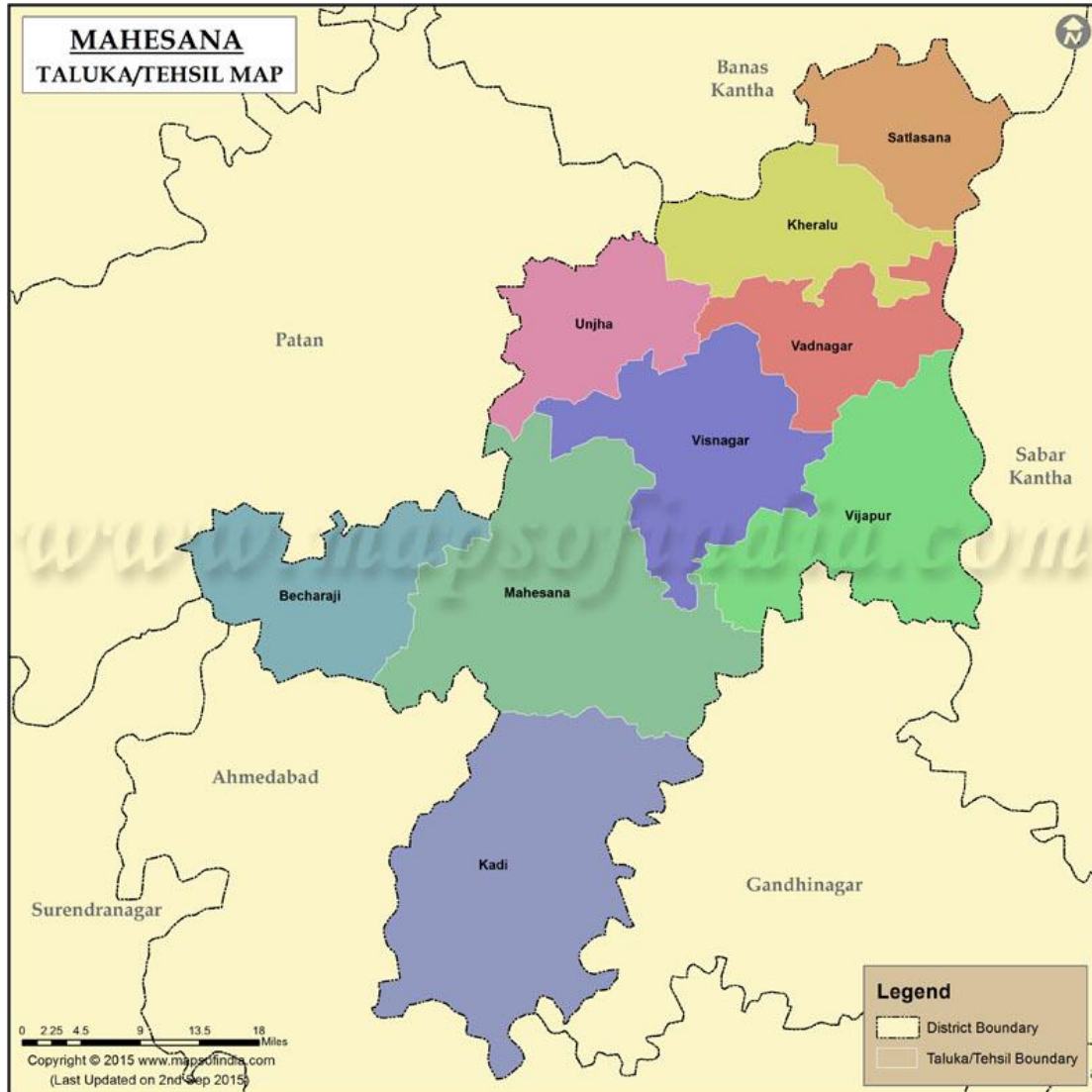
- Desk-top trial.
- Truncated trials.
- Full-scale mock drill.
- Establishment of a new Major Accident Hazard unit in the area.
- Close down of an existing MAH unit in the area.
- Modification in the type and / or quantity of hazardous chemicals handled at any of the existing MAH units.
- Establishment of a major population center such as a residential colony, supermarket, hospital, etc. in the vulnerable zone.
- Construction of any new road/rail line or by-pass in the area.

The prime responsibility for any modification or updating of the plan lies with the Chairman of the District Crisis Group (DCG), i.e., the District Collector. The DCG on assessing the information provided and the suggestions made by the LCG would update the plan. A proper record of the minutes of meetings of DCG should be maintained. All the reports and suggestions made by the members should also be preserved. The Member Secretary of DCG should also maintain a record of all modifications made in the plan.

ANNEXURE - 1

1. HAZARD SCENARIOS & EMERGENCY ORGANIZATION

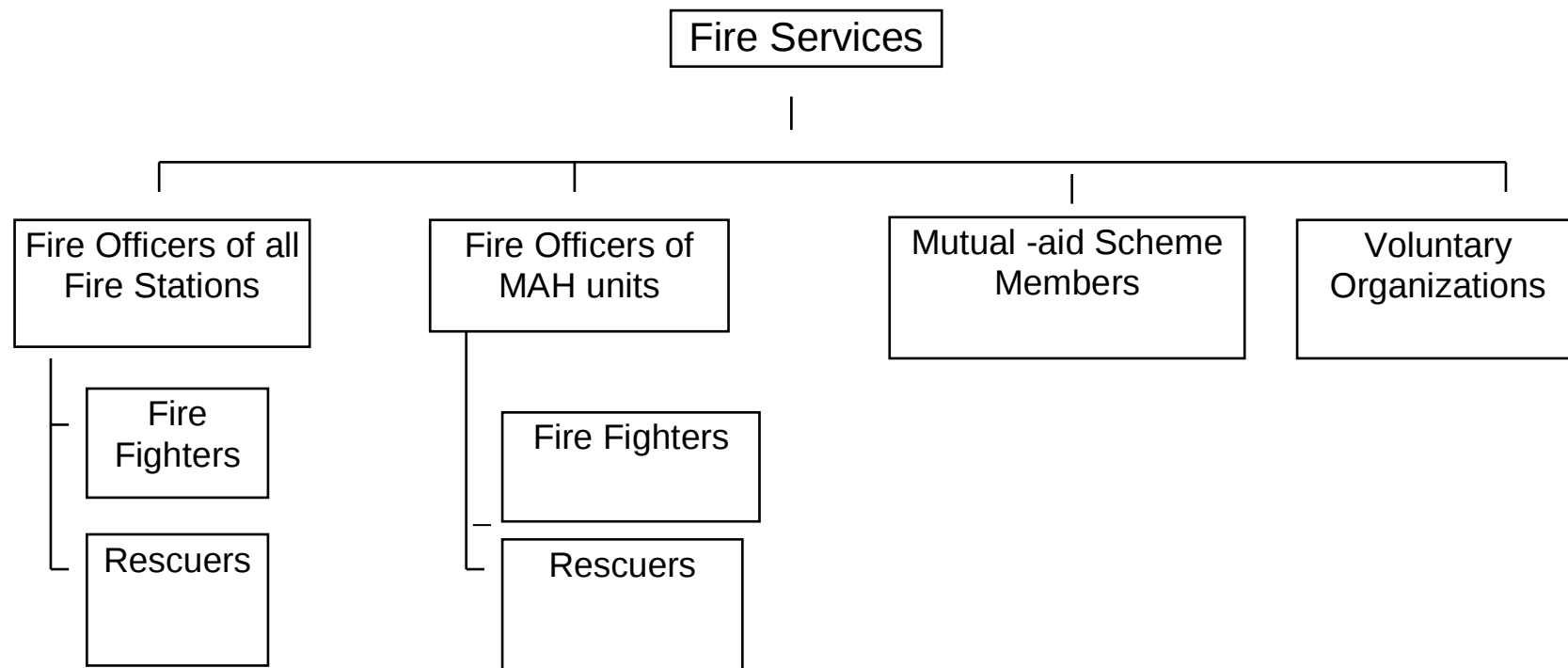
1.1 AREA MAPS TO SCALE



1.2 EMERGENCY ACTION GROUPS

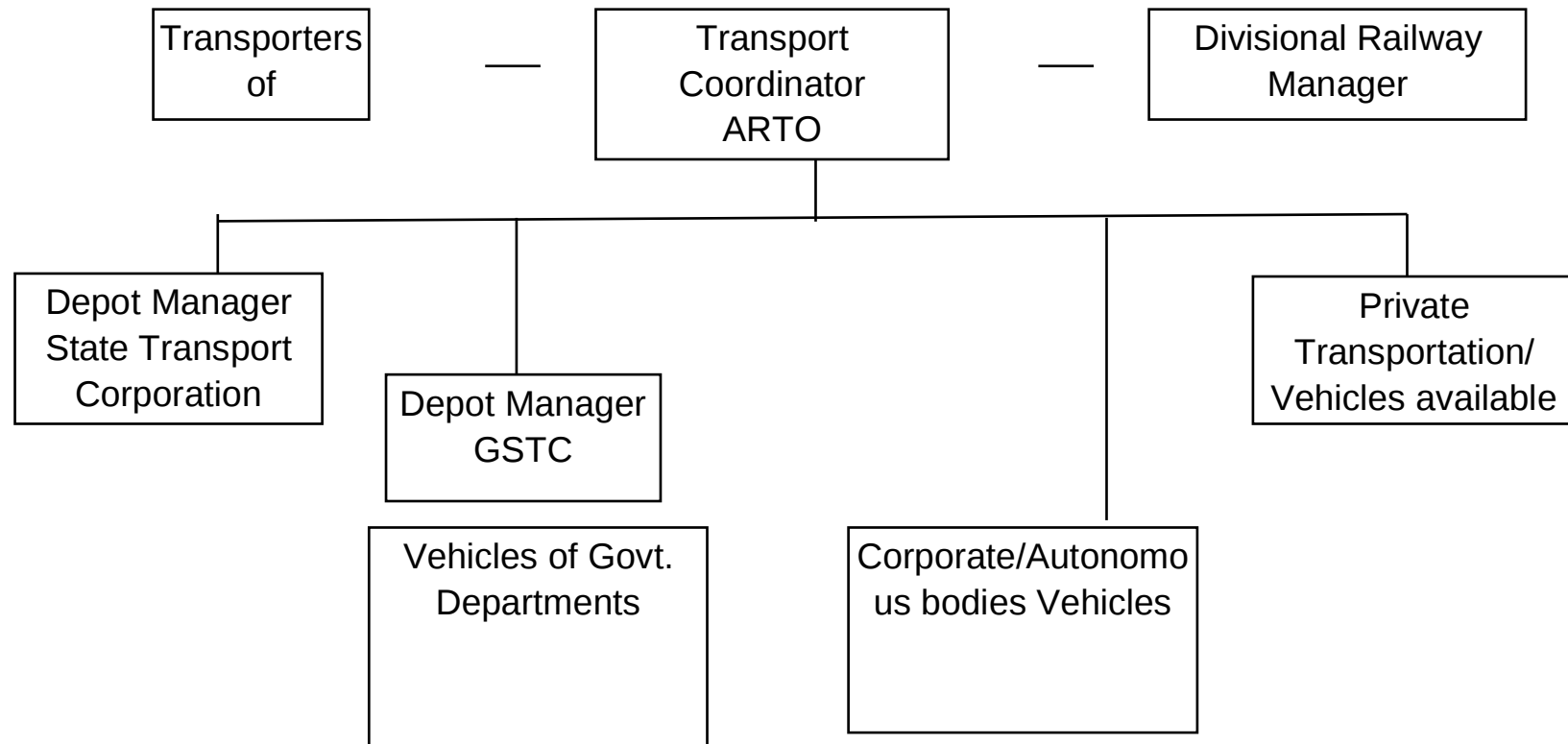
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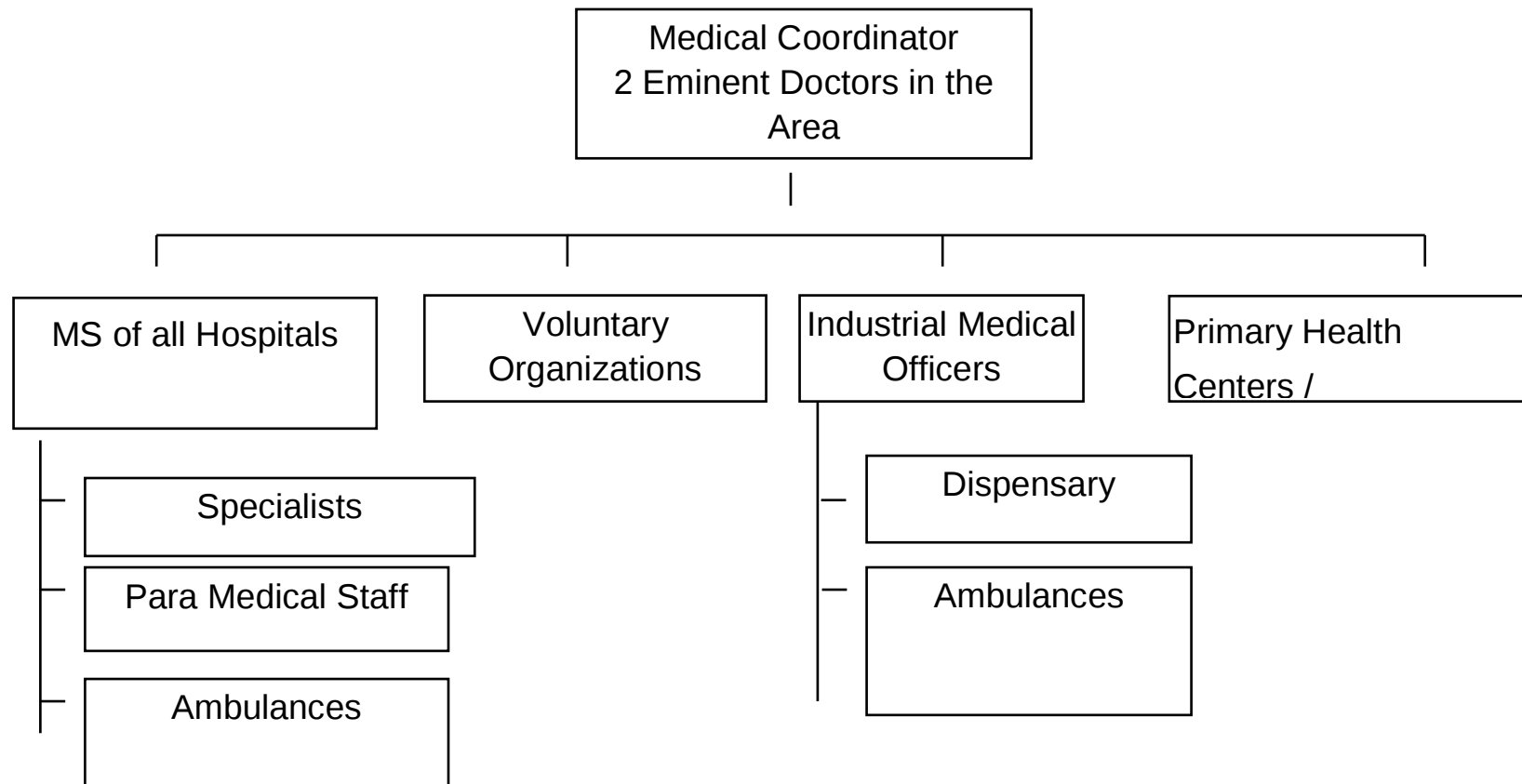
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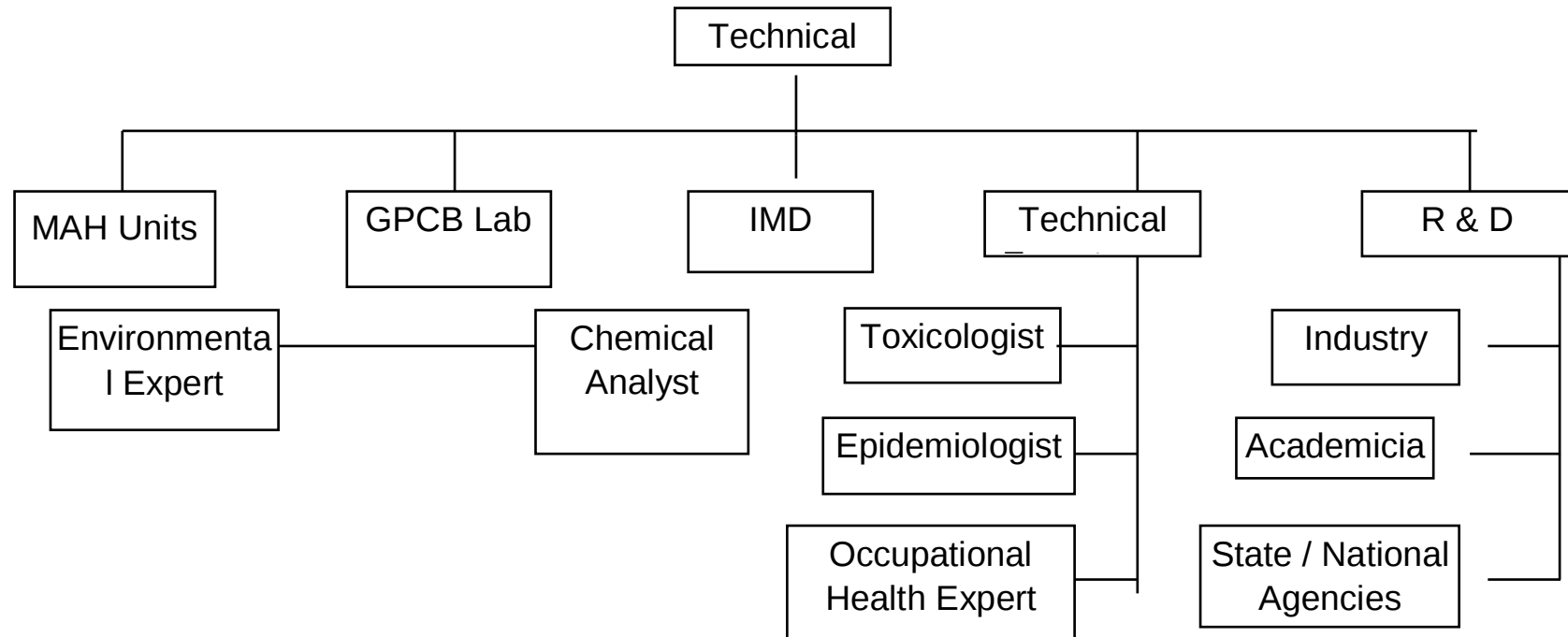
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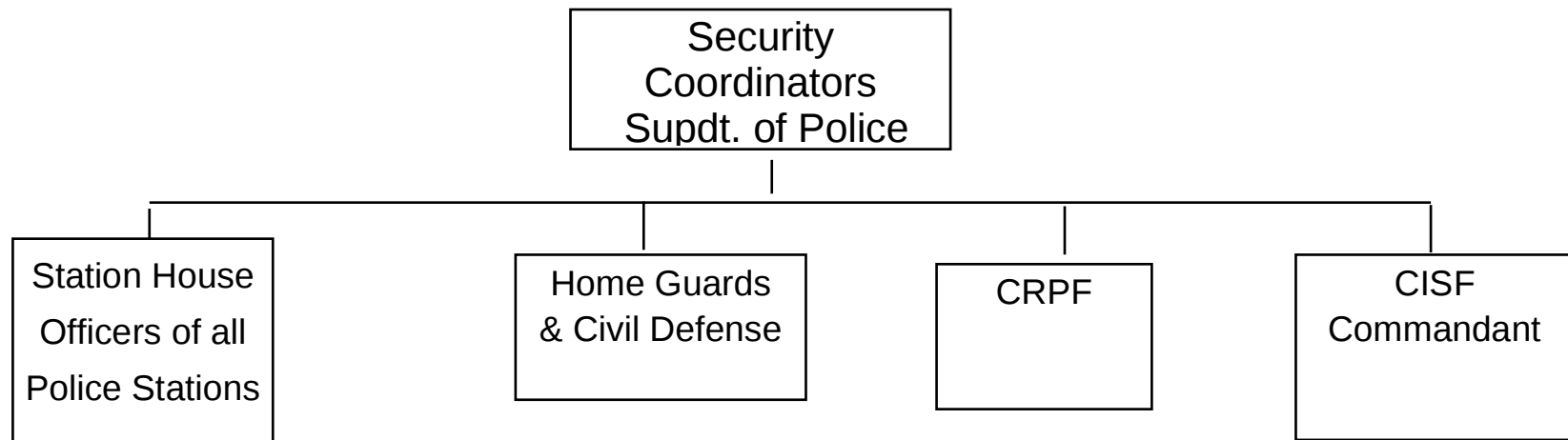
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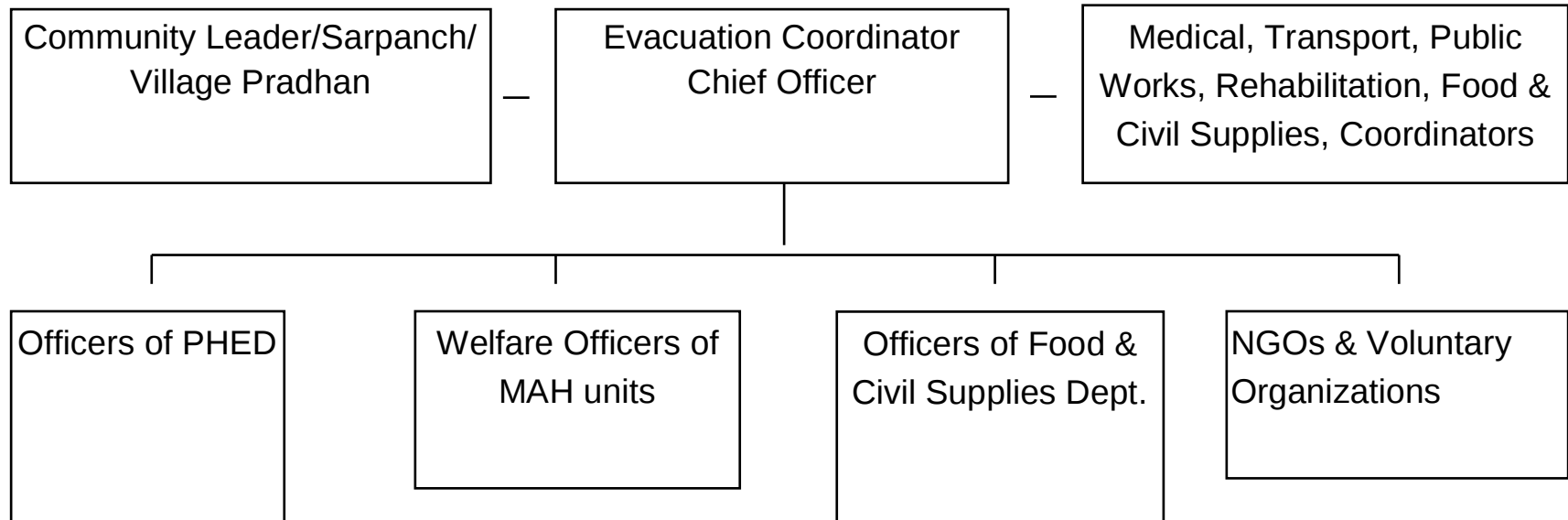
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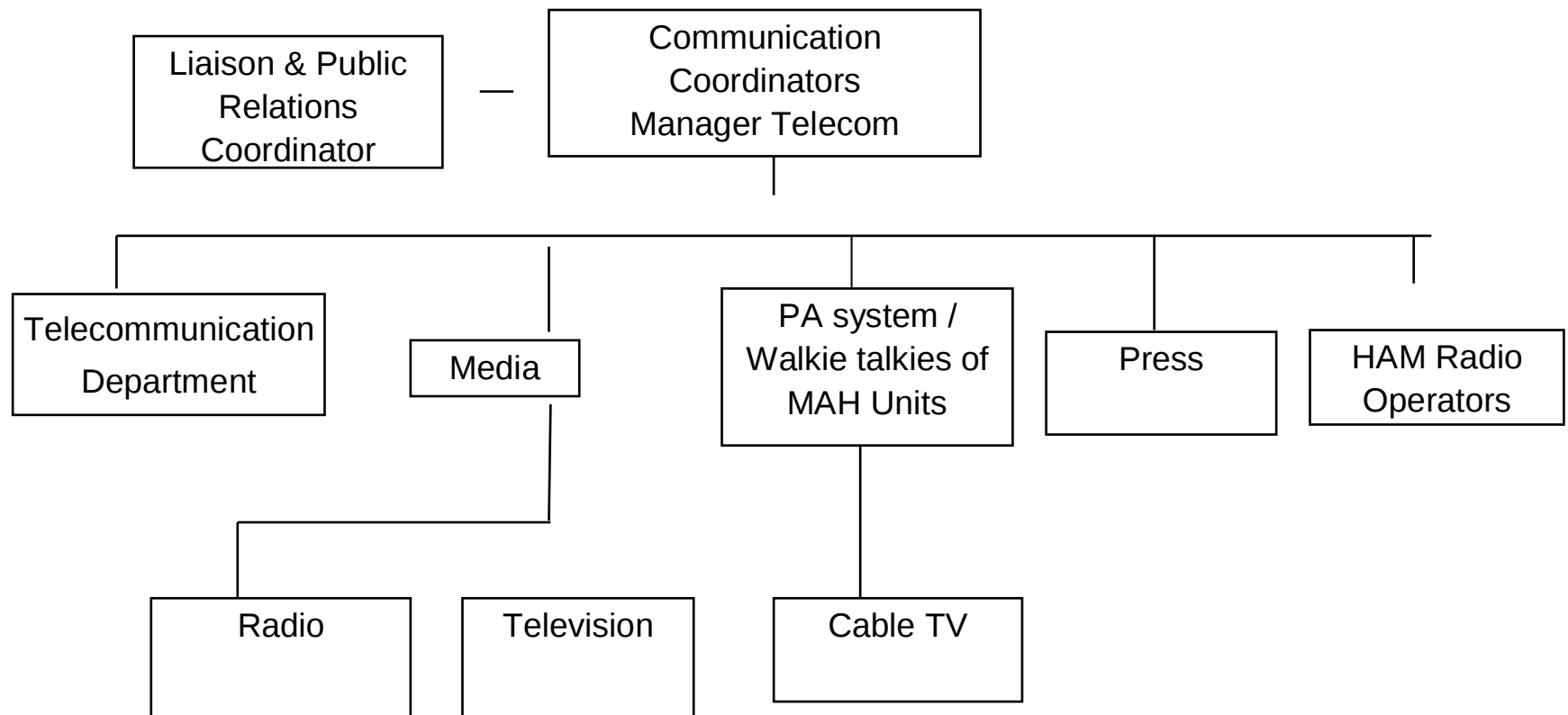
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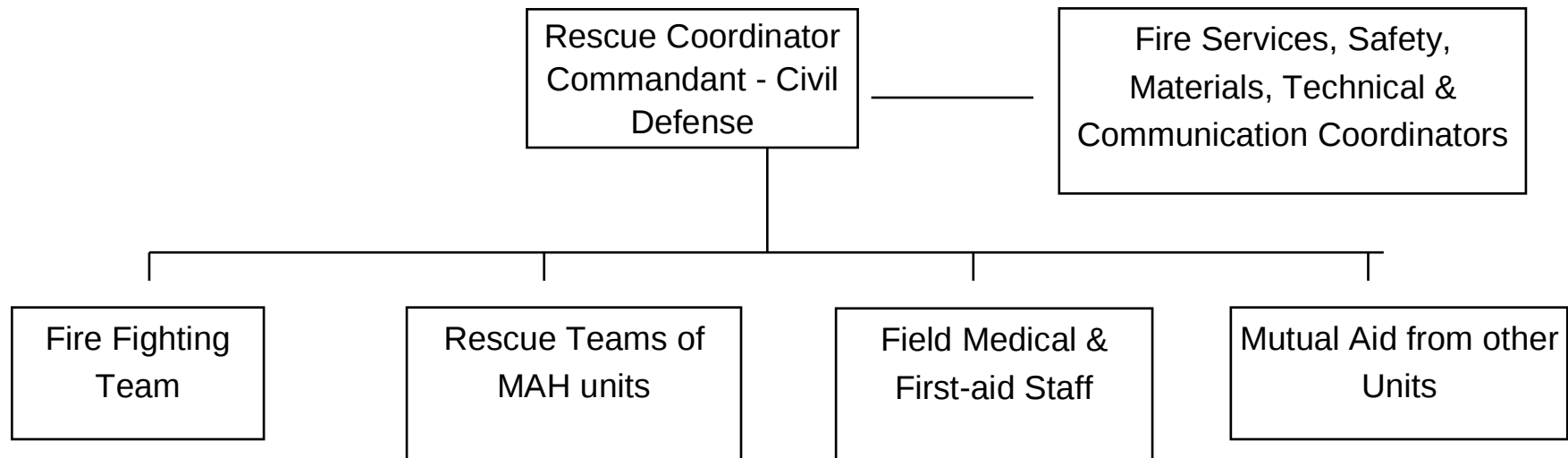
G) COMMUNICATION

EMERGENCY ACTION GROUP - COMMUNICATIONS



H) RESCUE & COMBAT

EMERGENCY ACTION GROUP - RESCUE & COMBAT



ANNEXURE - 2 DIRECTORIES OF KEY CONTACTS

2.1 CONTROL ROOMS

Sr. No.	Name	Contact Person	Jurisdiction	Location	Telephone No.	
					Office	Residence
1	Shri S. K. Prajapati		Collector	Mehsana	222200/11	9978406214
2	Shri J.K. Jegoda		RAC	Mehsana	222203	9978405213
3	Shri RB Behelim		Mamlatdar	Mehsana	222299	7069431442
4	Miss KB Prajapati		DPO	Mehsana	222220	7096992296

Remarks :- Other details given on page no.48, 6.2 Location of Control Rooms.

2.2 MAH UNITS OF DISTRICT

Sr. No.	Name	Address	Key Person	Phone Numbers
1	AksharChem India. Limited	Plot 166/169 Indrad Village Ta kadi Dist Mehsana ,	Mr.Bharatbhai	92270 47459
2	Ambuja Intermediats Ltd	Plot No 1152 At - Rajpur Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	Mr. Mahendrabhai Mohanlal Patel	99779 07555
3	AksharChem India. Limited	Plot No 167/168 Village Indrad Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	Mr.Bharatbhai	92270 47459
4	Deddy Chemicals Pvt Ltd	Survey No 1143, village Rajpur Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	Mr. Nilesh Patel	90990 76665
5	PHARCOS SPECIALITY LIMITED	Survey NO 248-250-279-281 Ranasan GIDC Ta Vijapur Dist Mehsana	Mr.Ankit Shah	98251 14095
6	Nirma Limited	N.H.No -8, NR.Village Mandali Ta & Dist Mehsana	SHRI BHANUBHAI B. PATEL	92746 93301
7	Cedar Décor Pvt Ltd.	Plot No65/p, Ankhol Patiya Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	Mr. Anuj Chauhan	92746 85574
8	Gopinath Chem Tech Pvt Ltd	Sr.no- 470 Kundal Nr. Bholenath Saw Mill Ta-Kadi dist Mehsana	Mr. Bhupen M Shah	98795 63304
9	Holzwood Industries Pvt Ltd	Survey No 1763 At-Vadsma Ta- Dist Mehsana	Mr Kantibhai Kacharabhai Patel	72020 59191

2.3 DISTRICT CRISIS GROUP

No	Name	Designation	Position in DCG	Telephone Numbers		
				Office	Office	Residence
1	Shri S. K. Prajapati (IAS)	District Collector	Chairman	Collector office - Mehsana	02762 222200	9978406214
2	Smt. Jasmin Hasrat	District Development Officer	Materials Coordinator	DDO Office - District Panchayat Office, Mehsana	99784 06239	99784 06239
3	Shri. Himanshu Solanki	DSP	Security Co-ordinator	D.S.P. Office, Mehsana	99784 05074	99784 05074
4	Shri. J.K. Jegoda	RAC	Member	Collector Office - Mehsana	99784 05213	99784 05213
5	Shri U. H. Valand	Dy. Collector Mehsana	Chairman of LCG	Prant Office, Mehsana	99784 05186	99784 05186
6	Shri A. D. Miyatra	Dy. Collector, kadi	Chairman of LCG	Prant Office, Kadi	75670 08421	75670 22373
7	Shri J.C. Chauhan	Mamalatdar Disaster	Collector control room	Disaster Collector office, Mehsana	02762-222220	97378 79695
8	Smt K.D. Modi	Deputy Director	Member Secretary	DISH office, Mehsana	91733 80108	91733 80108
9	Shri N.K. Rathva	Assistant Director	Associate Member	DISH office, Mehsana	97234 54778	97234 54778
10	Shri Y.V. Patel	Assistant Director	Associate Member	DISH office, Mehsana	72278 91095	72278 91095

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11	Shri Naresh Chaudhary	Regional Officer	Safety Coordinator	Gujarat Pollution Control Board, Mehsana	02762-258294	8980024227
12	Shri Haresh Patel	Fire Officer	Fire Service Coordinator	Fire Station, Mehsana	9714168719	9714168719
13	Shri H.K.Patel	Dist. commandant home guard	Rescue Coordinator	Mehsana	02762 221463	02762 221463
14	Dr. T.K.Soni	Dist. Health Officer	Medical Coordinator	District Health Office, Mehsana	02762-222324	02762-222324
15	Dr. Gopi Patel	Civil Surgeon, Mehsana	Associate Medical Coordinator	Civil Hospital, Mehsana	02762-221217	02762- 221217
16	Shri M.J.Vasava	Superintending Engg	Utilities Coordinator	G.E.B. Circle Office. Mehsana	02762 222 080	02762 222 080
17	Shri R.D. Khatale	Municipal Commissioner	Evacuation & Rehabilitation Coordinator	Mehsana Mahanagar palika	9978413167 8375972478	9978413167 8375972478
<u>18</u>	Shri K.K.Upadhyay	RTO	Transport Coordinator	Mehsana	02762-225078	02762-225078
19	Shri Rahul M.Solanki	Office of Supdt. Engineer, Public Health Circle	Public Work Coordinator	Mehsana	9879201516	9879201516
20	Shri Jaisinh Chauhan	Dy. Director of Information	Liaison & Public Relations Coordinator	Jilla Seva Sadan, Rajmahal Road, Mehsana.	02762 - 249253	02762 - 249253
21	Ranvijay Kumar	NDRF	Member	NDRF, CRPF Camp, Gandhinagar	02668 - 274245	9427304213
22	Mr Ashishkumar Patel	EHS Head	Technical Coordinator	Ambuja Intermediate Ltd, Vill : Rajpur, Kadi, Mehsana	07940147777	7624009534

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23	Shri Anuj Chauhan	Safety Coordinator	Technical Coordinator	Cedar Decor, Kadi	98796 04881	9274685574
24	Shri Bharat Pampariya	Safety Officer	Technical Coordinator	AksharChem, Kadi	02764-23355	9227047459
25	Shri Prem Yadav	Site Head	Technical Coordinator	Pharcos Specialty Ltd, Vijapur	98751 43812	98751 43812
26	Shri Kamlesh Shri Bhanubhai	Safety Officer	Technical Coordinator	Nirma Ltd, Mandali, Mehsana	02764-83995,96,97	02764-83995,96,97 9825073100

ANNEXURE - 3 RESOURCES

Sr. No.	Name	Phone 1	Phone 2	Fire Tenders	Water (m3)	Fire E Suits	Water Hoses
1	AksharChem India. Limited Plot 166/169 Indrad Village Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	92270 47459	-	-	-	-	-
2	Ambuja Intermediats Ltd Plot No 1152 At-Rajpur Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	98795 72568	99779 07555	-	500 m3	02 Nos	21 Nos
3	AksharChem India. Limited Plot No 167/168 Village Indrad Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	92270 47459	-	-	-	-	-
4	Deddy Chemicals Pvt Ltd Survey No 1143, village Rajpur Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	90990 76665	70161 06253	-	50 m3	-	-
5	PHARCOS SPECIALITY LIMITED Survey NO 248-250-279-281 Ranasan GIDC Ta Vijapur Dist Mehsana	98251 14095	96380 70292	-	300 m3	-	-
6	Nirma Limited N.H.No -8, NR.Village Mandali Ta & Dist Mehsana	92746 93301	92746 93301	01 Nos	2290 m3	02 Nos	55 Nos
7	Cedar Décor Pvt Ltd. Plot No65/p, Ankhol Patiya Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	92746 85574	-	-	250KL	-	-
8	Gopinath Chem Tech Pvt Ltd Sr.no- 470 Kundal Nr. Bholenath Saw Mill Ta-Kadi dist Mehsan	98795 63304	99090 32751	-	70 m3	-	11 Nos
9	Holzwood Industries Pvt Ltd Survey No 1763 At-Vadsma Ta- Dist Mehsana	72020 59191	-	-	-	-	-

3.2 RESOURCES AVAILABLE AT FIRE STATIONS

Sr No	Name	STD Code	Phone	Man Power	Number of fire Tenders	Ambulances	Fire Suits	SCBA
1	Shri Haresh Patel	-	97141 68719	50	3	1	4	8
2	Jay Patel, Visnagar	-	97260 30221	7	1	-	-	-
3	Bhavendrasinh, Vijapur	-	89801 08616	3	2	-	-	-
4	Jagabhai, Kadi	-	96625 34069	-	3	2	-	-
5	Vadnagar	02761	222052	-	-	-	-	-
6	Unjha	02767	247501	-	-	-	-	-

3.3 RESOURCES AVAILABLE AT MAF INSTALLATIONS

Sr No	Name	STD Code	Phone 1	Phone 2	Ambulance	OHC	First aid boxes	Stretchers	Availability of	
									Doctor	Nurse
1	AksharChem India. Limited Plot 166/169 Indrad Village Ta kadi Dist Mehsana		92270 47459	-	-	-	-	-	On Call	On Call
2	Ambuja Intermediats Ltd Plot No 1152 At-Rajpur Ta kadi Dist Mehsana		98795 72568	99779 07555	1	1	15	2	On Call	On Call
3	AksharChem India. Limited Plot No 167/168 Village Indrad Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana		92270 47459	-	-	-	-	-	On Call	On Call
4	Deddy Chemicals Pvt Ltd Survey No 1143, village Rajpur Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana		90990 76665	70161 06253	-	-	2	-	On Call	On Call
5	Pharcos speciality ltd Survey NO 248-250-279-281 Ranasan GIDC Ta Vijapur Dist Mehsana		91571 12811	96380 70292	-	-	-	-	On Call	On Call
6	Nirma Limited N.H.No -8, NR.Village Mandali Ta & Dist Mehsana		92746 93301	98250 73100	5	1	2	2	On Call	On Call
7	Cedar Décor Pvt Ltd. Plot No65/p, Ankhol Patiya Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana		92746 85574	-	-	1	2	1	On Call	On Call
8	Gopinath Chem Tech Pvt Ltd Sr.no- 470 Kundal Nr. Bholenath Saw Mill Ta-Kadi dist Mehsan		98795 63304	99090 32751	-	-	11	-	On Call	On Call
9	Holzwood Industries Pvt Ltd Survey No 1763 At-Vadsma Ta- Dist Mehsana		72020 59191	-	-	-	-	-	On Call	On Call

District Emergency Control Room

Sr No.	Post	Name	Mobile No	Office Landline
1	Collector	Shri S.K. Prajapati	9978406214	222200/11
2	RAC	Shri J. K. Jegoda	9978405213	222203
3	Mamlatdar e/c Disaster Management	Shri R.B.Behlim	7069431442	222299
4	DPO (GSDMA) Disaster Mgt.	Ms.K.B.Prajapati	7096992296	222220
5	Dy.Mamlatdar-Flood	-	-	-
6	Clerk-Disaster Mgt.	Shri Jitubhai Patel	9723957401	-
7	Driver /Peon	Shalish Ravat	9737747652	-
8	1 District Disaster Mgt.Center 2 DEOC 3 District Emergency Control room	Employee on duty	02762 222220 , 02762 222299 Toll free No. 1077	
9	Email ID	1. dismgmt-meh@gujarat.gov.in 2. dpomehsana23@gmail.com		

Prant Officers by Taluka Area

Taluka / Area	Prant Officer (SDM)	Phone / Office
Mehsana & Unjha	Shri U. H. Valand – Prant Officer & SDM (Mehsana)	02762-222206
Kadi, Becharaji & Jotana	Shri Ashish Miyatra – Prant Officer & SDM (Kadi)	02764-240193 / 02674-240194
Kheralu, Satlasana & Vadnagar	Shri A. P. Chaudhary – Prant Officer & SDM (Kheralu)	02761-231355
Visnagar & Vijapur	Shri Vikaskumar D. Ratada – Prant Officer & SDM (Visnagar)	02765-223013

FOREST DEPARMENT					
1	PRABHATSINH KAKUJI RAJPUT	FOREST	FORESTER	9714157244	rfoextvadnagar1@gmail.com
2	YUVARAJSINH H RAJPUT	FOREST	FOREST GUARD	8347441691	rfoextvadnagar1@gmail.com
3	BHARATJI THAKOR	S FOREST	FOREST GUARD	8469352707	rfoextvadnagar1@gmail.com
4	VINUJI THAKOR	T FOREST	FOREST GUARD	7041423207	rfoextvadnagar1@gmail.com

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NO	Block	NUMBAR -	
1	BECHARAJI	6357422903	6357422903
2	JOTANA	6357422905	6357422905
3	KADI	6357422912	6357422915
4	KHERALU	6357422897	6357422897
5	MEHSANA	6357422898	9016122604

6	SATLASANA	6357422909	6357422909
7	UNJHA	6357422896	6357422896
8	VADNAGAR	6357422891	6357422891
9	VIJAPUR	6351056630	
10	VISNAGAR	6357422910	6357422910

Fire Stations and fire in-charges for Mahesana			
Sr.	Name of Fire Station	Name of Fire Officer/Incharge	Mobile Number/Office Number
1	Mahesana	Shri Hareesh B. Patel	9725059228
		Control Room	101, 02762-223283
2	Kadi	Shri Pareshbhai Patel	9574391618
		Control Room	02764-265236
3	Vadnagar	Shri Alpeshbhai B. Patel	7046562021
		Shri Rajatbhai Rathod	8488884814
		Control Room	02761-222052, 222713
4	Visnagar	Shri Kuldeepbhai Patel	7802035620
		Shri Rajanbhai	7600123438
		Control Room	02763-220020
5	Visnagar	Shri Jayeshbhai Patel	9726030221
		Control Room	02765-230351/235101
6	Unjha	Shri Jashwinbhai Patel	9879564879
		Control Room	02765-230351/235101
7	Kheralu	Shri Bhaveshbhai Vadher	9664813800
		Control Room	02761-231021

Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) officers in the Mahesana district.

Sr. No.	Rank	Officer's Name	Mobile No.	Police Station/Branch
1	SP	TARUN DUGGAL	9978405074	SP Mahesana
2	DYSP	Mr. J.G. Sheikh	9978407391	DYSP HQ Mahesana
3	DYSP	Mr. Milap Patel	9978408150	SDPO Mahesana
4	DYSP	Mr. D.M. Chauhan	9978497474	SDPO Visnagar

District Police Inspector's

Sr. No.	Rank	Officer's Name	Mobile No.	Police Station/Branch	Remarks
1	WPI	Mrs. R.J. Dhaduk	8200005045	Mahesana City A Division	PI R.J. Dhaduk
2	PI	Mr. B.V. Patel	9687504008	Mahesana City B Division	PI B.V. Patel
3	PI	Mr. J.P. Solanki	7046001763	Mahesana Taluka	PI J.P. Solanki
4	PI	Mr. J.G. Vaghela	9825448798	Nandasan	PI J.G. Vaghela
5	PI	Mr. A.N. Solanki	9724224820	Bahucharaji	PI A.N. Solanki
6	PI	Mr. N.R. Vaghela	8264441441	Kadi	PI N.R. Vaghela

7	PI	Mr. K.B. Patel	9825929168	Kadi	
8	PI	Mr. A.N. Ghadhavi	9586434366	Visnagar	PI A.N. Ghadhavi
9	PI	Mr. J.P. Bharavad	9723691941	Visnagar Taluka	PI J.P. Bharavad
10	PI	Mr. V.R. Chavada	9925118572	Vijapur	PI V.R. Chavada
11	PI	Mr. P.D. Daraji	9909946508	Unjha	PI P.D. Daraji
12	PI	Mr. K.J. Patel	7485958007	Kheralu	PI K.J. Patel
13	PI	Mr. P.L. Vaghela	9106009976	Vadnagar Smart	PI P.L. Vaghela
14	PI	Mr. S.G. Shripal	9978673877	C.P.I. Santhal	PI S.G. Shripal
15	PI	Mr. O.P. Sisodiya	9727739727	C.P.I. Kheralu	PI O.P. Sisodiya
16	PI	Mr. S.S. Ninama	8980177211	Live Reserve P O Headquarters / LCB Charge	PI S.S. Ninama
17	PI	Mr. V.R. Vaniya	9909917855	Live Reservoir S.O.	PI V.R. Vaniya
18	PI	Mr. N.S. Ghetiya	9737828242	L.I.B	PI N.S. Ghetiya
19	PI	Mr. N.A. Desai	9898500943	Live Reserve AHTU and Cyber Crime and Women P.S. Charge	PI N.A. Desai
20	RPI	Mr. D.D. Chaudhary	9913971962-8849043302	Headquarters	PI D.D. Chaudhary
21	WPI	Mr. A.N. Desai	6353178851	Commando Training Gandhi Nagar	

Police Sub-Inspectors in Branches Mehsana				
Sr. No.	Rank	Officer's Name	Mobile No.	Police Station/Branch
1	PSI	Mr. M.P. Chaudhari	9904752926	L.C.B.
2	PSI	Mr. J.M. Gehlavat	9429028424	L.C.B.
3	PSI	Mr. M.D. Dabhi	8141421649	L.C.B.
4	PSI	Mr. M.A. Joshi	9016901811	S.O.G.
5	PSI	Mr. N.P. Parmar	9909155166	Patrol Farlo
6	PSI	Mr. B.J. Joshi	9998277202	L.I.B.
7	WPSI	Mrs. R.H. Mori	9825711255	L.I.B.
8	WPSI	Mrs. S.R. Modi	9574325680	Women
9	PSI	Mr. A.N. Desai	9825231102	Reader Branch
10	PSI	Mr. H.V. Vedanchiya	9979004221	Reader SDPO Mahesana Div.
11	PSI	Mr. V.A. Sisodiya	9512799118	Reader SDPO Mahesana Div.
12	PSI	Mr. A.S. Rathod	8980046042	Reader SDPO Visnagar Div.
13	PSI	Mr. K.A. Dabhi	9428732578	C.I.B.
14	PSI	Mr. N.D. Parmar	9925367090	B.D.D.
15	PSI	Mr. I.S. Rathod	9574457088	Mounted
16	PSI	Mr. H.B. Gohil	9428119582-9601197888	M.O.B.
17	PSI	Dr. J.N. Joshi	76006693636	District Traffic Charge
18	PSI	Mr. A.N. Chaudhari	9825031379	Highway Traffic
19	PSI	Mr. B.S. Patani	9898717490	City Traffic
20	PSI	Mr. C.G. Gohil	9727011105	City Traffic
21	PSI	Mr. J.M. Desai	9429483087	Court Collection
22	PSI	Mr. B.S. Dindor	635562023	G.R.D. Branch
23	PSI	Mr. J.J. Dantani	7043931601	R PSI Headquarters
24	PSI	Mr. A.B. Patel	9978023064	Quarantine

Police Sub-Inspectors in Mahesana Division				
Sr. No.	Rank	Officer's Name	Mobile No.	Police Station/Branch
1	PSI	Mr. M.N. Chavda	9904211508	Mahesana City A Division
2	PSI	Mr. B.R. Patel	9016587158	Mahesana City A Division
3	PSI	Mr. N.K. Charan	7226068307	Mahesana City A Division
4	PSI	Mr. M.K. Parmar	9979359496	Mahesana City A Division
5	PSI	Mr. A.R. Chauhan	9898130715- 910689865	Mahesana City B Division
6	WPSI	Mrs. S.F. Chaudhari	9909283669	Mahesana City B Division
7	PSI	Mr. V.R. Prajapati	9429715668	Mahesana City B Division
8	PSI	Mr. M.B. Gadvi	6352014889	Mahesana City B Division
9	PSI	Mr. M.J. Makvana	8780632784	Mahesana City B Division
10	PSI	Mr. A.R. Rathod	8849770144	Mahesana Taluka
11	PSI	Mr. S.K. Jadeja	9998906627	Mahesana Taluka
12	WPSI	Mr. V.P. Solanki	9265107043	Mahesana Taluka
13	PSI	Mr. M.V. Padhiyar	9277977777	Mahesana Taluka
14	PSI	Mr. K.B. Desai	79846016161	Nandasan
15	PSI	Mr. N.S. Shinde	9998909270	Langhnaj
16	PSI	Mr. K.O. Rabari	9724565732	Langhnaj
17	PSI	Mr. H.L. Joshi	9426239645	Modhera
18	PSI	Mr. J.P. Raval	9687690912	Bahucharaji ATECH
19	PSI	Mr. V.B. Jhala	8200697724	Santhal
20	PSI	Mr. A.K. Patil	8200600330	Kadi
21	PSI	Mr. M.A. Rathod	9925605404	Kadi
22	PSI	Mr. D.R. Padhariya	9408280749	Kadi
23	PSI	Mr. D.D. Parmar	7698236817	Kadi
24	PSI	Mr. P.P. Chavda	9687389392	Kadi
25	PSI	Mr. J.K. Gadvi	7069258258	Kadi
26	PSI	Mr. H.B. Chaudhari	9428843380	Bavalu
27	PSI	Mr. B.D. Vaghela	9624521200	Bavalu

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2	PSI	Mr. B.R. Patel	9016587158	Mahesana City A Division
3	PSI	Mr. N.K. Charan	7226068307	Mahesana City A Division
4	PSI	Mr. M.K. Parmar	9979359496	Mahesana City A Division
5	PSI	Mr. A.R. Chauhan	9898130715- 910689865	Mahesana City B Division
6	WPSI	Mrs. S.F. Chaudhari	9909283669	Mahesana City B Division
7	PSI	Mr. V.R. Prajapati	9429715668	Mahesana City B Division
8	PSI	Mr. M.B. Gadvi	6352014889	Mahesana City B Division
9	PSI	Mr. M.J. Makvana	8780632784	Mahesana City B Division
10	PSI	Mr. A.R. Rathod	8849770144	Mahesana Taluka
11	PSI	Mr. S.K. Jadeja	9998906627	Mahesana Taluka
12	WPSI	Mr. V.P. Solanki	9265107043	Mahesana Taluka
13	PSI	Mr. M.V. Padhiyar	9277977777	Mahesana Taluka
14	PSI	Mr. K.B. Desai	79846016161	Nandasan
15	PSI	Mr. N.S. Shinde	9998909270	Langhnaj
16	PSI	Mr. K.O. Rabari	9724565732	Langhnaj
17	PSI	Mr. H.L. Joshi	9426239645	Modhera
18	PSI	Mr. J.P. Raval	9687690912	Bahucharaji ATECH
19	PSI	Mr. V.B. Jhala	8200697724	Santhal
20	PSI	Mr. A.K. Patil	8200600330	Kadi
21	PSI	Mr. M.A. Rathod	9925605404	Kadi
22	PSI	Mr. D.R. Padhariya	9408280749	Kadi
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6	PSI	Mr. S.M. Parmar	8780907012	Vadnagar
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8	Botad	02849-271340/41
9	Chhotaudepur	02669-233012 / 21
10	Dahod	02673-239123
11	Dang	02631-220347
12	Dev. Dwarka	232183, 232125,
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14	Gir Somnath	02876-240063
15	Mehsana	0288-2553404
16	Junagadh	0285-2633446/ 2633448
17	Kheda	0268-2553356
18	Kutchh	02832-250923
19	Mahisagar	02674-252300
20	Mehsana	02762-222220/ 222299
21	Morbi	02822-243300
22	Narmada	02640-224001
23	Navsari	02637-259401
24	Panchmahal	02672-242536
25	Patan	02766-224830
26	Porbandar	0286-2220800/801
27	Rajkot	0281-2471573
28	Sabarkatha	02772-249039
29	Surendranagar	02752-283400
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8.	Bharuch	353032044160295	8991115041
9.	Bhavnagar	353032044160618	8991115044
10.	Dahod	353032044160709	8991115045
11.	Dang	353032044160774	8991115036
12.	Devbhoomi Dwarka	353032044160451	8991115037

13.	Gandhinagar	353032044161319	8991115038
14.	Mehsana	353032044158612	8991115040
15.	Junagadh	353032044161442	8991115039
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17.	Kachchh	353032044159958	8991115035
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19.	Narmada	353032044161350	8991115032
20.	Navsari	353032044158802	8991115031
21.	Panchmahal	353032044157234	8991115030
22.	Porbandar	353032044157465	8991115029
23.	Rajkot	353032044157556	8991115026
24.	Sabarkantha	353032044157457	8991115027
25.	Surendranagar	353032044157564	8991115026
26.	Surat	353032044145353	8991115024
27.	Surat City	353032044146609	8991115025
28.	Tapi	353032044146823	8991115023
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30.	Valsad	353032044146617	8991115021
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34.	Botad	353032041746302	8991115049
35.	Arvali	353032040819159	8991115050
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4	S.R.P.F.GR.5GODHRA	02672	262859	
5	S.R.P.F.GR.7 NADIYAD	0268	256635	
6	S.R.P.F.GR.8 GONDAL	02825	220046	
7	S.R.P.F.GR.9 VADODRA	0265	2637100	
8	S.R.P.F.GR.10 VALIYA	02643	290109	7203860321
9	S.R.P.F.GR.11 VAV	02621	251147	
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3.8 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE AT MAH UNITS

Sr No	Name	STD Code	Phone 1	SCBA	Canister Masks	Full Body PVC Suit	Air line BA	Chemical Splash suit	Emergency Kit	Water Gel
1	AksharChem India. Limited Plot 166/169 Indrad Village Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	-	92270 47459	2	10	10	-	5	-	-
2	AksharChem India. Limited Plot No 167/168 Village Indrad Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	-	92270 47459	1	5	10	-	15	Chlorine Kit	-
3	Deddy Chemicals Pvt Ltd Survey No 1143, village Rajpur Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	-	90990 76665	3	2	6	-	1	-	-
4	Pharcos speciality ltd Survey NO 248-250-279-281 Ranasan GIDC Ta Vijapur Dist Mehsana	-	91571 12811	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Nirma Limited N.H.No -8, NR.Village Mandali Ta & Dist Mehsana	-	92746 93301	5	10	51	01	-	1	-
6	Cedar Décor Pvt Ltd. Plot No65/p, Ankhol Patiya Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	-	92746 85574	2	3	12	-	3	-	-
7	Gopinath Chem Tech Pvt Ltd Sr.no- 470 Kundal Nr. Bholenath Saw Mill Ta-Kadi dist Mehsan	-	98795 63304	01	11	-	-	-	-	-
8	Holzwood Industries Pvt Ltd Survey No 1763 At-Vadsma Ta- Dist Mehsana	-	72020 59191	-	-	-	-	--	-	-
9	Ambuja Intermediats ltd Plot No 1152 At-Rajpur Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	-	98251 75346	02	10	02	-	02	-	-

3.9 COMMUNICATION & WARNING FACILITIES AVAILABLE AT MAH UNITS

Sr No	Name	STD Code	Phone 1	Mobile phones	P A System	Siren (Elect./ hand/steam)	Any other
1	AksharChem India. Limited Plot 166/169 Indrad Village Ta kadi Dist Mehsana		92270 47459	-	-	-	-
2	Ambuja Intermediats ltd Plot No 1152 At-Rajpur Ta kadi Dist Mehsana		9977907555	9879572568	-	3	-
3	AksharChem India. Limited Plot No 167/168 Village Indrad Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana		92270 47459	-	-	-	-
4	Deddy Chemicals Pvt Ltd Survey No 1143, village Rajpur Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana		9099076665	9909910154	01	01	-
5	Pharcos speciality ltd Survey NO 248-250-279-281 Ranasan GIDC Ta Vijapur Dist Mehsana		9157112811	9638070292	-	01	-
6	Nirma Limited N.H.No -8, NR.Village Mandali Ta & Dist Mehsana		9274693301	9274693301	01	02	-
7	Cedar Décor Pvt Ltd. Plot No65/p, Ankhol Patiya Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana		92746 85574		01	01	-
8	Gopinath Chem Tech Pvt Ltd Sr.no- 470 Kundal Nr. Bholenath Saw Mill Ta-Kadi dist Mehsana		9909032745	99090 32751	---	YES	-
9	Holzwood Industries Pvt Ltd Survey No 1763 At-Vadsma Ta- Dist Mehsana		72020 59191	-	-	-	-

3.10 VEHICLES AVAILABLE AT MAH UNITS

Sr No	Name	STD Code	Phone 1	Bus/	Truck	Car / Jeep
1	AksharChem India Limited Plot 166/169 Indrad Village Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	-	92270 47459	-	-	-
2	Ambuja Intermediats Ltd Plot No 1152 At-Rajpur Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	-	99779 07555	0	0	1
3	AksharChem India Limited Plot No 167/168 Village Indrad Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	-	92270 47459	-	-	-
4	Deddy Chemicals Pvt Ltd Survey No 1143, village Rajpur Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	-	90990 76665	0	0	0
5	Pharcos specility ltd Survey NO 248-250-279-281 Ranasan GIDC Ta Vijapur Dist Mehsana	-	91571 12811	0	0	1
6	Nirma Limited N.H.No -8, NR.Village Mandali Ta & Dist Mehsana	-	92746 93301	04	01	02
7	Cedar Décor Pvt Ltd. Plot No65/p, Ankhol Patiya Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	-	92746 85574	0	0	0
8	Gopinath Chem Tech Pvt Ltd Sr.no- 470 Kundal Nr. Bholenath Saw Mill Ta-Kadi dist Mehsana	-	99090 32745	0	0	Yes
9	Holzwood Industries Pvt Ltd Survey No 1763 At-Vadsma Ta- Dist Mehsana	-	72020 59191	-	-	-

ANNEXURE – 4**REMEDIAL MEASURES****4.1 INDICATIVE LIST OF MEDICINES / EQUIPMENT**

Medicines to be stocked at Treatment Center (per 1000 persons)

General Medicines :-

ITEM	QTY.	ITEM	QTY.
Methyl Cellulose Eye Drops, 5 ml.	500 Bottles	Injection Tetanus Toxide multidose	250 Vials
Surgical Spirit	10 Bottles	5% GNS IV Fluid, 540 ml.	100 Bottles
Normal Saline Fluid, 540 ml.	100 Bottles	Sterile Distilled Water, 500 ml.	100 Bottles
Vinegar	5	Liquid Paraffin	5 Bottles
Vaseline	1 tin	Tincture Benzoine	5 Bottles
Tincture Iodine	5 Bottles	Tincture Cetrimide	20 Bottles
Savlon Liquid	25 Bottles	Ointment Soframycin	100 Tubes
Ointment Atropine(Eye)	50 Tubes	Atropine Eye Drops	50 Bottles
Neosporin Dusting	100 Tubes	Pilocarpine Eye Drops	25 Bottles

Powder			
Acriflavin Gauze with Plastic Jar	5	Ointment Gentamycin (Eye)	50 Tubes
Gentamycin Eye Drops	50 Bottles	-	-

Injectables (Ampoules / Vials) :-

Decadron	100	Deriphyline	500
Coramine	100	Calcium Gluconate	100
Adrenaline	100	Dopamine Hydrochloride	25
Mephentine	50	Sodium Bicarbonate	500
Atropine Sulphate	1000	Aminophyline	100
ITEM	QTY.	ITEM	QTY.
Lasix	200	Vitamin K	20
Lignocaine Hydrochloride	70	Salbutamol	10
Perinorm	25	Pethidine Hydrochloride	50
Ampicillin	25	Avil	50
Calmpose	100	Morphine Sulphate	10

Surgical Items :-

Eye Plastic Undine	50	Absorbent Cotton Wool	100 Rolls
Bandage 2", 4", 6"	100 Rolls	Adhesive Plasters (Different sizes)	100 Rolls
Oxygen Cylinders	50	Mackintosh (Rubber Sheet 3' x 6')	20 Rolls
Polyethylene Masks (Surgical)	1000	Pathology Gloves (Misc. sizes)	50 Pairs
Disposable Syringes (2, 5 & 10 ml.)	150	Catgut Chromic	100 Boxes
Suture Needles Cur. Cutting (Different sizes)	100	Suture Needles Str. Cutting (4, 6, 8 mm)	100 Each
Catgut Plain	100 Boxes	BB Silk	100 Reels
Operation Scissors, str.	5	Operation Scissors, Cur.	5
Tracheotomy Set	10	Forceps Artery, Str.	50

ITEM	QTY.	ITEM	QTY.
Forceps Artery, Cur	50	Forceps Mosquito	50
Plaster of Paris Bandage (10 & 15 cm)	50 Rolls Each	Forceps Dissecting (Toothed & Non-toothed)	5
Forceps Cheatles	4	Thomas Splints (arm/hip)	123 Each
Boyels Apparatus	1	Respirator Bear (Adult/child)	2 Each
Laryngoscope (Adult/child)	1Each	Endotracheal Tubes (diff. sizes)	25
IV Set, Disposable	100	Wooden Splints	100
Elastic Bandage	100	Electric Sterilizer	5
Hypodermic Needles (diff. Sizes)	100	SS Tray with Lid (rectangular)	10
El Jar, (5")	10	El Jar, (12")	5
Scissors shop	2	Basins (18" dia)	5
Kidney Tray	10	Loup (Eye Examination)	4
Others			
G N S IV Fluid	100 Bottles	Water	100 Bottles

Plasma	-	Oxygen Cylinders	50
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Miscellaneous Items :-

Overshoes	100 Pairs	Torchlight (3 Cells)	10
Torch Cells	60	Stretchers	50
Mattress	100	Wheel Chairs	10

N.B: Above information to be checked by CMO, DHO & conformed by them.

4.2 DETAILS OF CHEMICALS PROPERTIES, FIRE FIGHTING AGENTS, ANTIDOTES, FIRST AID & MEDICAL TREATMENT

Sr No	Name of Chemical	Hazard Characteristic	Fire Fighting Agent	Antidote / First Aid / Medical Treatment
1	Acetic Acid	Corrosive	Carbon Dioxide, Dry Chemical Powder, Water Spray and Alcohol Resistant Foam	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give Oxygen. If heartbeats are absent, give external Cardiac compression. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water for 15 minutes, holding eyes open and obtain medical treatment urgently.
2	Ammonia	Flammable, Toxic	Stop flow of gas, use water spray to cool fire exposed containers. Exposed fire fighter	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give Oxygen. Inhalation of steam or vinegar vapour is recommended. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with

			must wear positive pressure self-contained breathing-apparatus and full protective clothing.	plenty of water for 15 minutes To relieve restlessness, ingestion morphine 15mg to relieve Dyspnoea, Oxygen inhalation.
3	Ammonium Carbonate	Corrosive	Non-flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give Oxygen. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water for 15 minutes, holding eyes open.
4	Ammonia Nitrate (Melt)	-----	Use plenty of water to cool fire exposed containers. Exposed fire fighter must wear positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing. Container may explode in fire.	In case of burns due to hot Ammonium Nitrate solution, part should be flushed with large quantity of water and treated according to usual burns.
5.	Carbon Dioxide	Asphyxiant	Non-flammable	It is simple asphyxiant and can cause oxygen deficiency in confined space / non ventilated areas. Respiratory protection is required.
6.	Carbon Monoxide	Flammable, Toxic	Carbon monoxide, dry chemical powder, wears self contained breathing apparatus. Let fire burn, shut off gas while using the chemicals.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If hearts beats are absent, give external cardiac compression. Do not use mouth to mouth ventilation. Administer 100% oxygen till Carboxy hemoglobin level is measured. Cerebral edema and convulsions must be

				controlled. Methyline blue must not be injected.
7.	Chlorine	Toxic	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give external cardiac compression. Incase of eye exposure, wash with copious amount of water for 15 minutes, keeping eyelids apart.
8.	Coal	Flammable	Dry chemical powder, water supply	Incomplete combustion may produce CO1, suphur dioxide; hence respiratory protection may be required to fight the fire.
9.	Formic Acid	Flammable, Corrosive	Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, water spray and alcohol resistant, foam all purpose foam.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If hearts beats are absent, give external cardiac compression. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water for 15 minutes, holding eyes open and obtain medical treatment urgently.
10.	Fuel Oil	Flammable	Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, foam	Remove the contaminated clothes. Wash the affected parts of skin with plenty of soap & water & seek medical advice immediately for inhalation of vapors / fumes.
11.	High Speed Diesel	Flammable	Dry chemical powder, foam	- do -
12.	Hydro-chloric Acid	Corrosive	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give artificial respiration. Do not give alkaline substances or carbonate preparation. Skin should be treated with 5% Trietanol amine. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water for 15

				minutes, holding eyes open and obtain medical treatment urgently.
13.	Hydrogen	Flammable, Explosive	Dry chemical powder, halon. Let fire burn under control. Stop gas flow	It is simple asphyxiant and can cause oxygen deficiency in confined space / non ventilated areas. Move victim to the fresh air and apply resuscitation methods.
14.	Hydrogen Iodide	Toxic	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If hearts beats are absent, give external cardiac compression Incase of eye exposure, wash with copious amount of water for 15 minutes, keeping eyelids apart.
15	Hydrogen Sulphide	Flammable, Toxic	Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Alcohol resistant foam is also advisable to be used to stop fire.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. Patient with significant exposure, should be hospitalized for 72 hours of medical observation for delayed pulmonary edema. The respiratory centre may be stimulated by injection of LOBGIN and nike thamide. Vitamin C may be injected intravenously. Incase of eye exposure, it should be treated with boric acid solu.
16	Iodine	Toxic	Use water spray or carbon dioxide. Do not use foam or dry chemical. Wear full protective clothing and self contained breathing apparatus	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If hearts beats absent, give external cardiac compression Patient with significant exposure, should be hospitalized for 72 hours of observation. consider administration of multiple metered doses of

			for fire fighting.	topical steroid hormone or 30 mg/kg of methyl prednisolone IV.
17	LPG	Flammable, Explosive	Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, water spray	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water for 15 minutes holding eyes open.
18.	Methane	Flammable, Explosive	Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder. Shut off gas.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is breathing difficulty gives oxygen. If substance has gone in eyes wash with plenty of water.
19.	Methanol	Flammable, Toxic	Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, water spray and alcohol resistant foam.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. Never administer anything by mouth if a victim is losing consciousness. Do not induce vomiting. Do not use mouth to mouth respiration. Massive alkalization in life saving & eye saving measures. Give small quantity of Ethyl alcohol every 4 hourly. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water for 15 minutes holding eyes open.
20.	Methyl Acetate	Flammable, Toxic	Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder and alcohol resistant foam. Water may be ineffective.	Remove the victim to fresh air. Give oxygen if there is difficulty in breathing, If substance heart beats are absent, give external cardiac compression. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water holding eyes open & obtain medical treatment urgently.
21	Methyl Formate	Flammable, Toxic	Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, water spray and alcohol resistant foam.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If substance heart beats are absent, give external cardiac compression. If substance

				has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water for 15 minutes holding eyes open and obtain medical treatment urgently.
22	Methyl Iodide	Toxic	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If substance heartbeats are absent, give external cardiac compression. Do not use mouth to mouth ventilation. Keep under medical surveillance for 48 hours. Consider administration of multiple metered doses of topical steroid by inhalation and or upto 30 mg / kg of methyl prednisolone. Incase of eye, contact immediately, refer to ophthalmologist.
23	Mono Ethylene Glycol	Flammable, Toxic	Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder and alcohol resistant foam.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If heartbeats are absent, give external cardiac compression. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water.
24	Naphtha	Flammable	Foam D.C.P., carbon dioxide. Apply water fog from as far dist. as possible.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. The decision of whether to induce vomiting or not should be made by an attending physician. If heartbeats are absent, give external cardiac compression. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water.
25	Natural Gas	Flammable	Stop flow of gas. D.C.P, carbon dioxide.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water for 15 minutes, holding eyes open.

26	Nitric Acid	Corrosive Toxic	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give Oxygen. Do not induce vomiting. If heartbeats are absent, give external Cardiac compression. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water for 15 minutes, holding eyes open and obtain medical treatment urgently.
27	Nitric Oxide	Corrosive Toxic	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. Do not allow to walk. Fatal symptoms may be delayed up to 48 hours even though victim may seem normal after exposure. If hearts beats are absent, give external cardia compression. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water for 15 minutes holding eyes open and obtain medical treatment urgently
28	Nitrogen	Asphyxiant	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If hearts beats are absent, give external cardia compression. Treat for frostbite with lukewarm water.
29	Oxygen	-----	Non flammable	Inhalation of 100 % oxygen can cause nausea, dizziness, irritation of lungs, pulmonary edema, pneumonia and collapse. Liquid oxygen will cause frostbite.
30	Nitrogen Dioxide	Corrosive Toxic	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. Enforce complete rest for 24 to 48 hours. Incase of

				high exposure keep patient under medical observation for at-least 72 hours. Some individuals, who had symptoms of acute exposure with or without edema, develop in immune reaction 10 days or 6 weeks after exposure. Symptoms include severe cough, cyanosis (tuning blue) fever hypoxemia and X ray may show fire scattered nodes in the lungs are vulnerable to virus.
31	Potassium Hydroxide	Corrosive Toxic	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If substance heart beats are absent, give external cardiac compression. Incase of eye contact immediately refer for opthomological opinion. Treat skin burns conventionally.
32	Potassium Methoxide	Flammable, Toxic	Only dry chemical powder is allowed to be used. In reacts with water and CO2.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. Never administer anything by mouth if a victim is losing consciousness. Do not induce vomiting. Do not use mouth to mouth respiration. Backing soda in glass of water should be given.
33	Propionic Acide	Flammable, Toxic, Corrosive	Foam, dry chemical powder, carbon dioxide. Apply waster fog from as far distance as possible.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If heart beats are absent, give external cardiac compression. Incase of eye contact flush with plenty of water for about 15 minutes. Remove wet clothese and wash affected area with water & soap.

34	Rhodium Triiodide	-----	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. Material cause irritation of nose, throat and respiratory tract. Repeated exposure to skin can cause allergic sensitization. Incase of eye contact, flush with plenty of water for 15 minutes.
35	Sodium Hydroxide	Corrosive Toxic	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. In case of eye contact flush with plenty of water for about 15 minutes. Remove wet clothes and wash affected area with water & soap.
36	Sulphur Dioxide	Corrosive Toxic	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If hearts beats are absent, give external cardiac compression. Atropic rhinitis and pharngitis may be treated by inhalation of 5% solution of sodium chloride, followed by inhalation of 5% solution of sodium chloride, followed by inhalation of vitamin A. In case of of eye contact, flush with 2% sodium bicarbonate solution, drops of 2 to 3 % phedrine should be instilled in the nose.
37	Sulphuric Acid	Corrosive Toxic	Non flammable, react with water to form large amount of heat and corrosive fumes. Do not use water to existing fire in the nearby area.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give Oxygen. In case eye contact flush with plenty of water for 15 minutes. Remove wet clothes and wash affected area with plenty of water.
38	Trichloro	Flammable,	Carbon dioxide, dry	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a

	Ethylene	Toxic	chemical powder, water spray and alcohol resistant foam.	difficulty in breathing, give Oxygen. Do not induce vomiting If heart beats are absent, give external Cardiac compression. If substance has gone in eyes, wash with plenty of water for 15 minutes, holding eyes open and obtain medical treatment urgently.
39	Ortho Dichloro Benzene	Flammable, Toxic	Foam dry chemical powder, carbon dioxide. Apply water fog from as far distance as possible.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. In case of eye contact flush with plenty of water for about 15 minutes. Remove wet clothes and wash affected area with plenty of water.
40	Trichloro Acetyl Chloride	Corrosive Toxic	Foam dry chemical powder, carbon dioxide.	It is very corrosive liquid. Exposure will produce tears in the eyes and severe chemical burns. Move the person to fresh air. If not breathing, perform artificial respiration. If required, give oxygen. Wash the affected skin thoroughly with soap and water. Flush and irrigate eyes with copious quantity of water for at-least 15 minutes. Do not induce vomiting.
41	Acrylo-nitrile	Flammable, Toxic	Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If the unconscious, crush an amyl nitrite ampule in a cloth and hold it under the nose for 15 seconds in every minute. Do not interrupt artificial respiration during this process.
42	Copper Compounds	-----	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If heart beats are absent, give external cardiac compression. If substance has gone in eyes

				wash with plenty of water for about 15 minutes, holding eyes open and obtain medical treatment urgently.
43	Aniline	Flammable, Toxic	Foam, dry chemical powder, carbon dioxide	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give Oxygen. Aniline is very toxic, if splashed on skin. It passes through the skin, causing methanoglobinemia. Antidote is methylene blue . In case of eye contact flush with plenty of water for 15 minutes. Remove wet clothes and wash affected area with plenty of water.
44	Benzene	Flammable, Toxic	Foam, dry chemical powder, carbon dioxide	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give Oxygen. Benzene is very toxic or if splashed on skin. Chronic exposure may lead to leukemia. In case of eye contact flush with plenty of water for 15 minutes. Remove wet clothes and wash affected area with plenty of water.
45	Nitro- benzene	Flammable, Toxic	Foam, dry chemical powder, carbon dioxide	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. NB is very toxic if splashed on skin. It passes through the skin causing methanoglobinemia. Antidote is methylene blue . In case of eye contact flush with plenty of water for about 15 minutes. Remove wet clothes and wash affected area with plenty of water.
46	Phosgene	Corrosive Toxic	Non flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. Phosgene is very toxic in case of inhalation. It has very

				low TLV – 0.1 ppm. Keep the person under observation for 72 hours for possibility of delayed effect. In case of eye contact, flush with plenty of water for about 15 minutes. Remove wet clothes and wash affected area with plenty of water.
47	Toluene	Flammable, Toxic	Foam, dry chemical powder, carbon dioxide	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. Toluene is very toxic if splashed on skin. In case of eye contact flush with plenty of water for about 15 minutes. Remove wet clothes and wash affected area with plenty of water.
48	Di Nitro Toluedene	Flammable, Explosive	Use plenty of water to cool fire exposed containers. Exposed fire fighter must wear positive self contained breathing apparatus. Foam and dry chemical powder and carbon dioxide can be used.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. Di Nitro Toluene is very toxic if splashed on skin. In case of eye contact flush with plenty of water for about 15 minutes. Remove wet clothes and wash affected area with plenty of water.
49.	Metaol- uene Di Amine	Flammable, Toxic	Foam dry chemical powder, carbon dioxide. Apply water fog from as far distance as possible.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. Metaoluene Di Amine is toxic, if splashed on skin. In case of eye contact flush with plenty of water for about 15 minutes. Remove wet clothes and wash affected area with plenty of water.

50	Toluene Di -Isocyanate	Corrosive Toxic	Dry chemical powder, carbon dioxide. Do not apply water as it reacts violently with water at elevated temperature.	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. Toluene Di Isocyanate is very toxic if inhaled.. In cause pulmonary edema. TLV of TDI vapour is ver low i.e. 0.0005 ppm. If splashed on skin, incauses sensitization of skin tissue. In case of eye contact, flush with plenty of water for about 15 minutes. Remove wet clothes and wash affected area with plenty of water.
51	Methyl Iodine	Toxic	Non Flammable	Remove the victim to fresh air. If there is a difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If heart beats are absent, give external cardiac compression. Do not use mouth to mouth ventilation. Keep under medical surveillance for 48 hours. Consider administration of multiple metered doses of topical steroid aerosol by inhalation and or up to 30 mg / kg of methyl prednisolone. Incase of eye, contact immediately, refer to ophthalmologist.
52	Chloro Sulphonic Acid	A poison to irritant, corrosive	Use DCP, foam if exposes to fire.	Remove victim to fresh air. If there is difficulty breathing, give oxygen. Do not induce vomiting. Obtain medical treatment urgently.
53	Carbon Di Sulphide	Flammable, Explosive	Use DCP, CO2	Remove victim to fresh air. If there is difficulty breathing, give oxygen. Do not induce vomiting. Obtain medical treatment urgently.
54	Ethyylene Oxide	Flammable, Carcinogen	Use DCP	Remove victim to fresh air. If there is difficulty breathing, give oxygen. Do not induce vomiting. Obtain medical treatment urgently.
55	Acephate	Non	Use DCP, foam if	Atropine sulphate in dose 2 – 4 mg for adult,

	Anilophose, Ethion Phorate, Quinal- phos	Flammable	exposed to fire.	2 pam 1000 – 2000 mg / im.
56	Alachor Carbenda- zim , Thiophanat e – M	Non flammable	Use DCP, foam is exposed to fire	Inject 1 gm of Eralidioxime chloride IV. Do not induce vomiting if the injected poison is principally a hydrocarbon solvent.
57	Mancozeb Thiram	Non flammable	Use DCP, foam is exposed to fire	Low toxicity, no specific treatment.
58	Allethrin Cyperm- ethrin Fevalrate	Toxic	Use DCP, foam is exposed to fire	The treatment is symptomatic.
59	Alumi-nium Phosphate	Non flammable	Use DCP, foam is exposed to fire	Injection copper sulphate 0.25 gm.
60	Isopro- turon	Non flammable	Use DCP, foam is exposed to fire	Supportive treatment.
61	Hexa- conazole Propi- conazole	Non flammable	Use DCP, foam is exposed to fire	There is no specific antidotes and treats the victim symptomatically.
62	Propane	Flammable, Explosive	DCP, Water	First aid.
63	Butadine	Flammable, Explosive	DCP, Water	First aid.
64	Propylene	Flammable,	DCP, Water	First aid.

		Explosive		
65	Styrene Monomer	Flammable	DCP, Foam compound	-----
66	Phosphoric Acid	Corrosive	-----	Skin Contact :- Wash with clean water. Apply dry sterile dressing. Eye Contact : Wash with clean water, apply benoxinate (novesine) drop (0.4%) Inhalation : Administer O₂, Give him fresh drink water. Ingestion: Milk of magnesia, fresh egg, administe oxygen

4.3 LEAK DETECTION, NEUTRALIZATION & DISPOSAL

Leak Detection	Neutralization & Disposal
<u>Chlorine</u> To detect the chlorine leak an ammonia spray or swab is used. Chlorine gives white dense fumes of ammonium chloride is greenish yellow gas with pungent and irritating odour.	Emergency disposal of chlorine is done by absorbing it in the solution of caustic soda, soda ash or hydrated lime slurry. Chlorine cannot be vented off as it is toxic gas. Cylinder of any part of cylinder should not be immersed in the tank holding caustic or other solutions. Don't use rubber hose or polyethylene pipe connecting for neutralizing chlorine gas. Do not pour water on the leak.
<u>Ammonia</u> Ammonia leak can be detected easily due to its specific pungent odour. The exact location	As it is toxic gas it cannot be vented to atmosphere.

of leak can be finding out by hydrochloric acid swab in suspected region. This will give white vapours of ammonium chloride. Another method used in the detection of ammonium leak is by the use of sulphur dioxide gas, which also forms white fog or cloud in contact with ammonium.	Ammonia leakage can be absorbed in water in a suitably designed system, as its solubility in water is very high. Mild steel is used as material of construction.
<u>Sulphur Dioxide</u> Sulphur dioxide leak can be detected by odour as it has characteristic odour. But the exact location of the leak can be find out by ammonia vapours from a swab or squeeze bottle. Sulphur dioxide will produce dense white fumes with ammonia vapours. Leak may also be detected by applying soap solution. Soap solution incase of leakage will give bubbles.	Sulphur dioxide leak can be absorbed in caustic solution. For this purpose scrubber should be preferably fabricated of polypropylene backed by FRP. Do not use water on the leak.
<u>Bromine</u> Bromine spillage can be find out as it has intensely irritating odour. Bromine leak can be detected by using ammonia swab or spray. Bromine gives white dense fumes with ammonia solution.	As bromine is toxic and fuming liquid, it can't be vented to atmosphere. Water should not be directly poured over the spillage with mud or earth and mop up with plenty of water.
<u>Carbon Monoxide</u> As the gas inflammable, flame should not be used to detect the leak. Carbon monoxide leak can be detected with	Leaking gas can be vented slowly to air in a safe open area or should be burnt off in a suitable gas burner.

soap solution, which gives bubbles around leaking area. Palledour chloride paper gets darkened in contact with carbon monoxide.	
<u>Ethylene Oxide</u> Ethylene oxide leak can be detected by using soap solution. Leak will produce bubble with soap solution.	As the gas is extremely flammable, all the ignition sources should be shut off. Leaking gas can be slowly vented off in a safe and open area. Put water spray to cool down, if necessary. The gas can be burnt off in a suitably designed burner.
<u>Butadiene</u> Butadiene leak can be detected by its mild aromatic odour. Butadiene leak can also be detected by using soap solution, which will produce bubbles.	Leaking gas should be slowly vented off to air in a safe open area or can be burnt off in a suitable burner. Put water spray for cooling, if necessary.
<u>Benzene</u> As benzene is flammable gas, flame should not be used to detect the leak. Leak will produce bubbles with soap solution.	As the gas is highly inflammable, shut off all the sources or ignition. Apply non-flammable dispersing agent. Run the waste diluting greatly with running water. Due to non-availability of dispersant, this can be absorbed on sand. Site of spillage should be thoroughly washed with water and soap or detergent.
<u>Vinyl Chloride</u> Vinyl chloride leak can be detected due to its characteristic odour. Leak can also be detected with soap solution, which will produce bubbles.	Leaking gas can be vented slowly to air in a safe open area or gas should be burnt off in a suitable burner.
<u>Ethyl Alcohol</u> Ethyl alcohol leak can be detected by its characteristic smell.	Shut off all possible sources of ignition. Mop up with plenty of water and run to waste diluting greatly with

	running water. Ventilate area well to evaporate remaining liquid and disposal vapours.
<u>Hydrochloric Acid</u> Detect the leak with its sharp pungent odour. Leak can also be detected by using wet litmus paper. Hydrochloric acid will change the colour of the paper from blue to red.	Hydrochloric acid should be scrubbed in lime or caustic or water scrubber made of MSRL. Do not put water directly on the leak. Content the leak by mixing it with earth / sand and lime sludge. Slowly nuetralize by pouring water and dilute alkali.
<u>Nitric Acid</u> Detect the leak of nitric acid with wet litmus paper. Nitric acid will change the colour of the paper from blue to red.	Nitric acid should be scrubbed in lime or caustic or water scrubber made of MS or SS. Do not put water on the leak. Content the leakage by mixing it with earth / sand and lime sludge. Slowly neutralize by pouring water or dilute alkali.
<u>Phosphoric Acid</u> Detect the leak of phosphoric acid with wet litmus paper, which will change the colour of litmus paper from blue to red.	Spread soda ash liberally over the spillage and mop up cautiously with plenty of water. Dilute the waste greatly with running water.

4.4 GENERAL PROPERTIES OF HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS

Sr No	Name of Chemical	Colour	Odour	Flash Pt. °C	Sp. Gravity	Exposure Limit		TLV ppm ACGIH	LD 50 mg/kg	Solu-Buility in Water	Hazards	Haz Chem	Anti-dote	Haz. Comb-ustion Product
						LEL %	UEL%							
1	Acetic aid	Colour-less	Pungent odour	44.44	2.07	5.4 %	16 %	10 ppm	3310	Miscible	Flammable	2 YE	---	Emits irritating vapours when heated
2	Acrylo-nitrile	Colour-less yellow	Sweet pungent	0.55	0.807	3.1 %	17 %	20 ppm	93	Slight	Flammable	1 WE	Sodium throsul-phate	---
3	Acetone	Colour-less	Frag-rant mint	- 20	0.791	2.6 %	12.8%	750 ppm	---	Miscible	Flammable	2YE	---	---
4	Ammonia	Colour-less	Pungent	---	0.771	16 %	25 %	25 ppm	350	Soluble	T. Com	2 PE	Novesinet hanol, ether milk, lemon for ingestion	---
5	Aniline	Colour-less	Charac-teristics	76	1.02	1.3%	-	5 ppm	450	Poor	Combustible	3 x	Glucose Solution Ascrobic Acid	--

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						LEL %	UEL%							
6	Benzene	Colour-less	Aromatic	-11.1	0.8	1.4%	8%	10 ppm	3400	Slightly	Flammable	3 WE	---	---
7	Carbon Tetra Chloride	Colour-less to yellow	Rotten Engg. To sweet	---	1.26	1%	50%	10 ppm	3188	Insoluble	Flammable	3 WE	---	---
8	Carbon Tetra Chloride	Colour-less	Sweetish	---	1.585	---	---	10 ppm	---	Insoluble	Non combustible	---	---	---
9	Chlorine	Greenish yellow	Suffocating	---	1.559	---	---	0.1 ppm	---	Slightly	Toxic	2 XE	---	---
10	Chloro Sulphonic Acid	Light yellow	Fuming pungent odour	---	1.77	---	---	1 ppm	---	Violent reaction	Highly toxic	4 WE	For skin use baking soda solution	---
11	Ethylene Oxide	Colour-less	Sweet	17.8	0.87	3%	100%	50 ppm	330	Soluble	Fire explosion	2 PE	---	---
12	Ethyl Alcohol	Colour-less	Alcoholic	47.77	0.7893	3%	19%	1000 ppm	7060	Soluble	Flammable	2SE	---	---
13	Ethylene Dichloride	Colour-less	Pleasant sweet	16.5	1.26	6.2%	15.9%	10 ppm	860	Insoluble	Flammable	2 YE	---	Emit toxic fumes
14	Isopropyl Alcohol	Colour-less	Unpleasant Alcohol	17.5	0.785	2.5%	12.0%	400 ppm	5045	Mixible	Flammable	2 SE	---	---

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						LEL %	UEL%							
15	LPG	Colour-less	Merca-ptain added	- 60 Byten	0.51 to 0.56	1.9%	9.5%	1000 ppm	---	Floats	FE	2 WE	---	---
16	Methanol	Colour-less	Alco-holic	10	0.79	6%	36.50 %	200 ppm	5628	Slightly	Flamm able	2 PE	Baking in glass operate	---
17	Nitric acid	Slightly yello-wish	Suffo-cating	---	1.5404	---	---	2 ppm	---	Slightly	Corrosi on	2PE	---	Reacts with water to produce toxic, corrosive, flammable vapour
18.	Nitro Benzene	Light Brown	Bitter almond	87.5	---	1.8%	---	1 ppm	4 8 9	Insoluble	Combu st-ible	2 X	---	---
19	Oleum	Colour-less to cloudy	Sharp cho-cking	---	1.9	---	---	---	---	---	Toxic	4 WE	---	Reacts with water to produce heat toxic & corrosive fumes
20	Sulphuric Acid	Colour-less oily	Odour-less	-	1.84	----	---	---	2140	Miscible	Corrosi ve	2 RE	---	Emits toxic fumes of SO2

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						LEL %	UEL%							
21	Sulphur Dioxide	Colour-less	Sharp pungent	---	1.48 Liquid	---	---	2 ppm	---	Sinks & boils	Toxic	2 RE	---	Reacts with water to produce toxic & corrosion fumes
22	Thionyl Chloride	Colour-less to yellow	Suffocating	---	1.640	---	---	1 ppm	---	Slightly soluble	Flammable	3 YE	---	Violent reaction with water, release hydrogen chloride & sulphur dioxide
23	Toluene	Colour-less	Pleasant	12.7	0.817	1.27%	7.00%	50 ppm	5000	Slightly soluble	Flammable	3 YE	---	Emits acrid smoke & irritating fumes
24	Xylene	Colour-less	Sweet	37.7	---	---	---	100 ppm	4300	Insoluble	Flammable	3 Y	---	---

4.5 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

INTRODUCTION

Personal Protection Equipment are required to ensure safety of the affected personnel, members of fire fighting and rescue teams at the time of emergencies involving toxic and flammable material. The equipment should be capable to provide complete protection and simultaneously be comfortable and convenient to wear.

The type of equipment needed depends on a number of factors such as degree of protection required, nature of the substance against which protection is required, the nature of work to be performed and the circumstances likely to be encountered in the event of an emergency, etc. Improvements are constantly being made in the design of devices for personal protection and the management of the works should ensure that the best available are being used.

TYPES OF PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Respiratory Protection: Respiratory protection equipment are available in two main forms viz. Breathing Apparatus which enables the user to breath independently of the surrounding atmosphere. Respirator, that enables the user to breath from the surrounding atmosphere by inhaling through a filtering device. Respirators should not be worn if the oxygen level is below 20% for any reason. Several types are available and their qualities and limitations must be fully realized. The main problem is the leakage of toxic vapours past the face-piece.

Air Line Breathing Apparatus: There are two types of apparatus available: Where the user breathes fresh air using a face piece connected by a hose to fresh air without the assistance of the compressor

The greatest protection against inhalation of vapour is provided by face piece or helmet which is continuously supplied with air from a compressor or a blower at a rate sufficient to maintain a slight positive pressure within the face piece during the entire respiratory cycle, i.e., 100 liters per minute. Whenever the level of contamination is thought to be high, the use of this type of

respirator is especially desirable. Connection to a source of compressed air by air hose is necessary and thereby such equipment pose a limitation on mobility. Care must be taken to ensure that the air intake is properly located so that only clean, oil-free fresh air can be supplied. Precautions must be taken to prevent interference with the air supply and against the contamination of the supply by plant process, vehicles and other mobile equipment, etc. Care should be taken in selection of the material of construction of air hoses as they might, during use, be exposed to toxic substances or sludge. The air supplied suit, i.e., the garment covering the body requiring increased air supply to cool the user, is also included in this class of equipment.

Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (Open Circuit): The open circuit apparatus carries its own compressed air or oxygen in cylinders. These are connected directly to the face-piece through a pressure reducing valve and demand valve. This apparatus gives a fair degree of protection against high concentration of vapour and is recommended when interference with mobility is unacceptable.

Most of these equipments are fitted with a by-pass demand valve, which enables air from the cylinder to be fed continuously to the face piece, thus maintaining positive pressure. Exhaled air is passed to the atmosphere through a non-return valve. The life of the cylinder charge depends on the amount of work performed by the user.

Normal breathing rates are:

Hard Work	:	40 Liters/min
Moderate work	:	20 Liters/min
Light Work	:	15 Liters/min

Self Contained Apparatus (Closed Circuit): The closed circuit apparatus uses a supply of oxygen in cylinders, however unlike the open circuit apparatus; the exhaled air is recycled through a carbon dioxide absorber and a cooler into the breathing bag. Additional oxygen to make up the amount lost in breathing is admitted to the circuit at a rate controlled by a demand valve, which opens when the pressure is reduced during respiration. The breathing bags are usually made of rubber with a canvas protective cover, although some bags have neoprene bags with PVC covers. The closed circuit apparatus must not be used where there is a risk of bag being splashed or contaminated with substances, which may permeate through the bag and produce an increasing concentration of toxic vapour inside the suit.

Canister Respirator: A canister respirator can provide adequate protection against specified gases in open-air situations, where there is no oxygen deficiency and the concentration of toxic vapour is low. Care should be taken to ensure that correct canister is fitted and it should be remembered that the absorbing capacity of canisters is Ltd.. The toxic vapours are absorbed on a suitable material, usually activated charcoal, contained in a canister, which may be fitted directly to the face-piece or carried elsewhere on the users' body and connected to the face-piece by a tube.

Choice of Equipment

The limitation imposed by a potential leakage between the face and rubber face-piece of certain types of equipment must always be borne in mind while selecting respiratory equipment.

Most types of breathing apparatus are equipped with face piece covering the user's face from chin to brow and held in place by straps passing over the user's head. Since these face pieces are normally manufactured in standard sizes, it is very difficult to get a close fit to the face of every individual who may have to wear one. When the user breathes, there is a reduction of pressure inside the face-piece any may result in leakage of the toxic vapours present outside to inside of the face-piece. Even with expertly fitted and maintained equipment, leakage of contaminated air into the face-piece is possible.

In one study using canister respirators, such leakage was found to account for 1% of the air inhaled by 15% of the persons studied. Larger amounts were detected in few cases, even when the users were at rest. Clearly, if face-pieces are hurriedly fitted and worn while performing moderately hard work, higher rate of leakages are possible. The airline breathing apparatus maintains a positive pressure of air inside the face-piece, thus preventing leakages.

In Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBAs) equipped with demand valves, the effects of leakages are noticeable, if the contaminating gas can be smelt. In an emergency, opening the by-pass valve and supplying a greater pressure of air or oxygen to the face piece may reduce leakage. However, this practice reduces the life of the cylinder charge.

The effects of leakages through the face-piece are most noticeable in canister type respirators, where the user has to make a greater breathing effort in order to draw air through the resistance of the canister.

For these reasons, the use of pressurized equipment is strongly recommended in all cases where a very high concentration of vapour may occur. Great care should be taken to ensure best possible fit of any face-piece and the duration of exposure to the adverse conditions should be as short as possible. A special warning is necessary in connection with the use of any of the approved types of breathing apparatus in the presence of halogenated hydrocarbons. Both the liquid and vapours rapidly penetrate the rubber parts.

Air Line Hoses: Air line hoses for breathing apparatus and air supplied suits should be made of material resistant to abrasion and chemicals which are likely to be encountered during its normal operation. Hoses may become immersed in toxic substances or sludge during use and contamination of airflow in the hoses must be kept below the Threshold Limiting Value (TLV) of the substance. Regular testing and inspection of air hose for contamination is essential.

Eye Protection: The personnel should be encouraged to guard against falling splinters of solids or splashes from injurious liquid for eye protection. Goggles of an approved pattern should be made available to all those who require them for safe operation and emergency management. In some cases, special safety spectacles may provide adequate protection whereas for other conditions a gas-tight goggle may be needed.

Head and Face Protection: The wearing of an approved pattern of safety helmet should be encouraged as a regular habit to guard against normal industrial hazards. Hoods designed to drape the shoulders or tuck into working clothes should be available where protection for head and shoulders is required from the hazardous substance. In certain cases, caps and face visors may provide adequate protection.

Hand and Arm Protection: Hands and arms exposed to dangerous substances should always be protected by gloves, gauntlets and armlets wherever necessary. Care should be taken to ensure that wearing such equipment does not hamper the dexterity of the operator. The material used and texture must be adequate to provide the desired protection against penetration of dangerous substances.

Protection of Normal Operations: A properly designed plant with adequate ventilation will do much to eliminate hazards during normal operation. Nevertheless, almost certainly there will be occasions when personal

protection is needed for process operations and for some kind of maintenance work. It is the responsibility of the management to ensure that personal protection is assured on these occasions and on all other occasions whenever there is a possibility of injury.

All precautions should be taken to avoid wetting of Personal Protective Equipments (PPEs) or other clothing by HFL. In such cases where accidentally it does happen, the contaminated clothing should be removed immediately before there is any possibility of it getting a contact with the source of ignition. Where the likelihood of wetting cannot be avoided, suitable impervious fire resistant clothing of a type designed for rapid removal should be used.

Protection against Flame and Heat: Persons involved in rescue and combat operations may be required to work in the presence of intense heat and flames. For this they require special clothing and equipment. Most materials used in normal garments are combustible and easily catch fire especially when exposed to high intensity radiation or flames. Flame retardant treatment may prevent or probably delay ignition. Thickly knit clothes take a longer time to burn as compared to thin and loosely knit fabrics. The clothing therefore must not only be well designed, it should also be carefully maintained and intelligently used.

Entry into Vessels and Confined Spaces: Only those persons holding a valid "Permit-to-work" certificate should be allowed to enter a vessel or a confined space so that it has been ensured that appropriate considerations have been given to the operations before work starts. Persons entering a vessel or confined space must wear a safety harness. Wherever practicable, it should have a lifeline attached to it, which should be in charge of the observer positioned outside. The observer should be physically capable of pulling an unconscious person out of the vessel.

When entering the vessel from the top, the harness and lifeline should be so adjusted and worn that in an emergency the user can be drawn head up through a manhole or opening. In addition, another man equipped with breathing and rescue equipment should be deployed as a stand-by. Person employed for such a work should be specially selected, trained and exercised.

Issue of PPEs to Users: Wherever practicable and found appropriate, protective clothing and equipment should be issued on a personal basis. This enables a better fit with a correspondingly higher standard of protection and comfort.

Care of Protective Equipment: All protective clothing and equipment should be taken off and left in a special room during meal times and at the end of each day's work. Under no circumstances should such PPEs be allowed to be taken home by the workers.

Management should make provision for the necessary cleaning and repair. Respirators and breathing apparatus should be examined regularly by a competent person and maintained in a hygienic and fit condition. These inspections are generally necessary after each use and should, in any case, take place at least once every month. The observations made during such inspections should be properly logged.

Responsibilities of Workers: Workers should use the protective clothing and equipment issued to them and complies with all operating instructions relating to this matter. They should be encouraged to take proper care of both personal and casual issue items, under their charge and keep them in a clean, hygienic and good working condition.

Breakage or damage to PPEs, which affect their normal functioning of efficiency, should be reported immediately so that exchanges can be arranged.

Items of protective clothing and equipment should not be used for purpose other than those for which it is designed and issued. Equipment deployed for use in an emergency should only used for that purpose and should not be removed for any other reason.

4.6 BRIEF OUTLINE OF HUMAN EXPLOSURE TO CHLORINE, IT'S SYMPTOSMS, FIRST AID & TREATMENT

Symptoms: Being an irritant causes conjunctivitis and damage to cornea. Asyphxia. Affection of respiratory tract, may lead to Bronchitis, Bronchospasm, Pulmonary Oedema.

First Aid: Prompt treatment is essential. Remove the patient to the area where fresh air is available. Do not give anything to an unconscious patient by mouth, it may choke him.

a) If chlorine gas inhalation is mild and the patient is only coughing, the following line of treatment may be given :-

- Loosen the clothes and remove the shoes. Give Ammonia by inhalation.
- Place the patient on his back with head and back elevated. Keep the patient warm with blanket to avoid chilling.
- Rest is a must.
- Milk, buttermilk, coffee can be given for relief from throat irritation.
- Cough syrups like Hitadrine, Coughrol, Linctus, Codeine, etc., and common throat lozenges such as Vox, Vicks tablets, Halls, etc., can also be given to soothen the throat irritation.
- If gas inhalation is severe but breathing has not ceased start oxygen immediately. Phlebotomy (500 - 700 ml), Caffeine and Sodium Benzoate 0.5 - 1.0 gm/min. may also be given.
- In case breathing has ceased start artificial respiration.

b) If Gaseous or Liquid Chlorine has come in contact with eyes :-

- Flush eyes immediately with running water or normal saline water for about 15 minutes.
- Hold eyelids apart to ensure complete neutralization with water.
- Do not try to neutralize with chemicals.
- Administer 2 - 3 drops of 0.5 % solution of Pontocaine or other effective topical anesthetic in the eyes.
- Do not use oils or oily ointments in the eyes.

c) If Gaseous or Liquid Chlorine has come into contact with the skin :-

- Remove contaminated clothes.
- Flush the affected portion with copious amount of running water.
- Wash skin with copious amount of soap and water.
- Do not apply greases.

d) If liquid chlorine is by chance swallowed

Swallowing of liquid chlorine is extremely unlikely. If swallowed and the patient is conscious:-

- Ask the patient to drink copious quantity of limewater, ammonia water (1 ml in 60 ml of water), milk of magnesia or fresh water.
- No attempt should be made to induce vomiting.
- Keep the patient under observation and call for immediate medical help.

Treatment

a) Pulmonary Oedema

- Administer 60 to 100 % oxygen at 6 Lit/min.
- Intermittent positive pressure breathing apparatus set to deliver positive pressures of 5 – 15 cm of water in the inspiratory cycle, is valuable in reducing the formation of edema
- Symptomatic treatment. Lasyx is suggestive.
- Administer Aminophyllene intravenously.

b) Bronchospasm

- There is no known antidote for acute chlorine exposures. The exposure is associated with acute symptomatology requiring supportive therapy only.
- Early treatment is the most effective.
- Broncho dilators nebulized into the intermittent positive pressure gas stream are often beneficial.

4.7 BURNS AND THEIR TREATMENT

Cause of Burns

Under the category of burns, several environmental injuries are included. They are thermal burns, burns from electrical current, chemical burns, burns resulting from radiant energy and systemic reactions to heat.

Severity of Thermal Burns

The seriousness of the thermal burns depends upon the degree of the burn (depth of the skin injured) and the amount of body surface involved.

Degree of Burns:- Burns can be classified in degrees from one through six. A first-degree burn is limited to the most superficial layer of the epidermis and results only in erythema (reddening) of the skin. A second-degree burn causes damage into but not through the dermis and characteristically results in the appearance of vesicles (blisters) in the skin. A third degree burn is one in which the full thickness of the skin is destroyed down to the subcutaneous fat. In this burn the skin may appear pale, dry and white; it may even be brown or charred. Clotted blood vessels may be seen through the skin as though one were looking at them through parchment. A fourth degree burn involves destruction of the skin and the subcutaneous fat. A fifth degree burn involves destruction of

the skin, the fat and the underlying muscle. A sixth degree burn involves destruction through all the structures, including the supporting bone.

With burns more serious than second degree, there is destruction of the sensory nerve endings of the skin. The burned area is consequently insensitive. However, the area surrounding the burn will not have all nerve endings destroyed and may frequently be extremely painful.

Body Surface Involved :- The amount of body surface that is burned is very important in determining the seriousness of the injury. A very rough but reasonably accurate estimate of the amount of body surface burned is determined by the rule of nine. This rule, which applies specifically in adults and older children, divides the body into sections, each of which constitutes approximately 9 % of the total area. The body sections and the respective percentage assigned to them are:

Head, Face, i.e. area involving neck and above	9 %
Each arm	9 %
Front torso	18 %
Each leg	18 %
Back	18 %
Genitals	1 %

By knowing the degree of burn, the approximate percentage of the body that has been burned, accompanying complications, and the age of the patient, one can classify the severity of thermal burns as critical, moderate, or minor. Such classification is essential in a disaster where many injured patients are involved and where the triage separates the patients into emergency cases and cases for whom treatment may be delayed. A summary of the three classes follows.

Critical (Severe) Burns :- This category includes :-

- All burn of whatever degree and extent if they are complicated by respiratory tract injury and other major injuries or fractures
- Third degree burns involving critical areas such as face hands or feet
- Third degree burns which involve more than 10% of the body surface
- Second degree burns which involve more than 30% of the body surface

Moderate Burns :- This category includes :-

- Third degree burns of 2 to 10 percent of the body surface which do not involve the face, hands or feet

- Second degree burns which involve 15 to 30 percent of the body surface
- First degree burns involving 50 to 75 percent of the body surface

Minor Burns :- This category includes :-

- Third degree burns of less than 2 percent of the body surface if no critical areas are involved
- Second degree burns involving less than 15 percent of the body surface
- First degree burns of less than 20 percent of the body surface

In evaluating a patient who has sustained a burn, age and general condition must also be considered. A moderate burn in an aged patient who is chronically ill should be classified as critical in terms of the immediate treatment required because of the patient's general condition apart from the burns.

The Care of Thermal Burns

The care of thermal burns depends on the percentage of burned body surface involved. In no instance should grease (butter, lard, Vaseline, mineral oil or other ointments) be applied to a burn. For the first or second-degree burns, the emergency medical treatment should be to :-

- Remove any burning/smoldering clothing as necessary
- Immerse the burned part in ice water for five to ten minutes and periodically continue to add ice to keep the temperature low. If area cannot be immersed, cover with clean, porous cloth of any kind and keep continuously wet with ice water (or the coldest water available)
- Use cool wet applications for relief of pain.
- Transport the patient to the emergency department, continuing cool applications en-route.

For extensive first or second degree burns and for all third degree burns the procedure set forth below should be followed :-

- Examine for and relieve any respiratory distress. Always anticipate respiratory difficulty when there are burns around the face and neck or when the patient has been exposed to hot gases or smoke.
- Clothing that adheres to the skin should be cut around and left in place.
- Cover the burned area with a sterile dressing or a clean sheet. Use cool wet applications for pain relief.
- Treat the patient for shock if it is apparent.

- Transport the patient to the emergency department, continuing cool applications en-route.

Severe pain, which may accompany first or second degree burns or may exist at the edges of third degree burns, is best relieved by injected analgesic medication. These drugs must be given by a qualified person or on doctor's order.

Local treatment with cool compress remains the best emergency treatment for burn pain. Third degree burns, which destroy nerve endings, are often not painful enough to require such treatment before the patient reaches the hospital. In burns of this degree and increasing severity, initial efforts are best directed at general support and resuscitation of the patient.

ANNEXURE - 5

COMMUNITY INFORMATION AND EVACUATION ASPECT

5.1 OVERVIEW OF SHELTER-IN-PLACE CONCEPTS

INTRODUCTION

There are essentially two ways to protect the public from the effects of toxic gas or vapour discharges into the atmosphere. One of these methods is evacuation and involves relocation of threatened populations to shelters in safer areas. The other involves giving instructions to people to remain inside their homes or places of business until the danger passes. In other words, it involves telling people to “shelter-in-place.”

Evacuation is clearly safer with respect to the specific hazards posed by a toxic gas or vapor release but has certain limitations and may pose new problems. For example, it is fairly well appreciated that a major evacuation takes time and may not be feasible once toxic gases or vapours have actually entered the atmosphere. Indeed, asking people in the path of a toxic cloud or plume to leave their homes may actually cause greater harm than good in some cases. Thus, evacuations in response to toxic gas or vapour hazards are best considered when:

There is a strong potential for a toxic discharge, the discharge has not yet taken place, and there appears to be time available to relocate people.

The discharge has taken place but people are sufficiently far downwind to permit time for evacuation.

People not yet in the direct path of a cloud or plume are threatened by a future shift in the wind direction.

The safety hazards of evacuation are outweighed by benefits of the action, and/or

Telling people to shelter-in-place might not fully protect them from serious consequences.

Much has been written and said over the years pertaining to the merits and demerits of evacuation, but little information has been made available on sheltering-in-place and indeed, far too many people and organizations have come to believe that sheltering-in-place will provide adequate protection to the public under a wide variety of circumstances without actually studying the issue involved. It is therefore the purpose of this

Annexure to explain why staying indoors provide some degree of protection, to discuss the degree of protection that might be expected, and to discuss how best to instruct the public to shelter-in-place.

Outsider Air Entry into Buildings

If a building or other structure is airtight, i.e., like a sealed box, people inside will be completely immune from exposure to any toxic gases or vapors outside its walls. On the other hand, if walls of the upwind and downwind side of the building are missing, these people will be exposed to the same level of concentration “indoors” as they would be if they were in the open. It is easy to understand, therefore, that the exposure of people inside a structure to toxic gases or vapors in the external environment is a function of the “air tightness” of the building and the rate at which outdoor air passes in and out.

There are essentially three main ways in which air can enter (and exit) a structure, these being :-

- Natural ventilation
- Mechanical ventilation, and
- Infiltration

Natural ventilation refers to entry of outdoor air into a building through open windows or doors without assistance from fans. Obviously, the more openings in a building, the greater the rate at which outdoor air can pass through. Occupants can generally control this rate by opening and closing various doors and windows.

Mechanical ventilation refers to the use of fans and other equipment to bring air into a building, possibly heat, cool, filter, and/or re-circulate it several times, and then exhaust it from the structure. This type of system is most often seen in office buildings, other commercial establishments and factories. As above, occupants usually have considerable control over the rate of ventilation.

Infiltration is air leakage into a building through cracks and small openings around windows and doors and through floors and walls. The rate at which air enters a building by this mechanism depends on the type of building, workmanship and material applied during construction, and the condition of the building. Infiltration differs from natural and mechanical ventilation in the sense that the occupants are generally considered to have little effective control over its rate. The total rate at which the outdoor

air enters a building, for the purpose of this discussion, can be considered as being the sum of the three types of the ventilation described above.

Rates of outdoor air ventilation are typically expressed in units of air changes per hour (ACPH), this being the number of building volumes of outdoor air that enter the building in the course of an hour. For example, if a building has an internal volume of 10,000 cubic feet, and 20,000 cubic feet of outdoor air enters the building each hour, its total fresh air ventilation rate is said to be 2.0 ACPH. If only 5,000 cubic feet of air enters the building in the same span of time, the rate becomes 0.5 ACPH.

The natural ventilation rate in structures with open windows and doors can vary widely and depends on the area of opening, the wind speed, the orientation of openings with respect to the wind direction, and the building volume. It could be as little as a fraction of 1.0 ACPH or as high as 80 - 90 ACPH, and possibly even more if residents do not mind a strong breeze blowing through the structure on a windy day.

Mechanical ventilation rate in office buildings and the like typically range from 4 to 12 ACPH with certain exceptions. During pleasant weather, 90 to 100 percent of this air might be from the outdoors. In very cold or very hot weathers, building operators often have the option to reduce heating or cooling costs by lowering the fresh air entry rate to 5 - 35 percent of the mechanical ventilation rate by recirculating large volumes of air.

There are great many factors that influence infiltration rates in homes and other buildings. When outdoor wind velocities are very low and indoor-outdoor temperature difference is minimal, infiltration rate may be as low as 0.1 ACPH. The average rate in American homes, however, is on the order of 0.8 - 0.9 ACPH, and "leaky" homes may experience 2.5 or so, especially under poor weather conditions with high winds and low temperatures. Available data on other type of building construction are Ltd. but suggest an average infiltration rate of about 1.0 ACPH for office type buildings.

Effect of Total Outdoor Air Ventilation Rate on Indoor Exposures

The overall subject of how outdoor air pollutants can affect exposures indoors is rather complex and is best discussed using two examples; one for the case when a distinct cloud of airborne contaminants passes a building, and another for the case when the building is engulfed by a plume of vapour or gas for a prolonged period of time. The cloud is assumed to pass in a total time period of 30 minutes, while the plume is

assumed to last 10 hours. Both the cloud and the plume are assumed to have an average contaminant concentration of 100 ppm for the duration of their existence at any outdoor location.

Table - 1, developed from a mass balance model of indoor-outdoor pollutant relationships, presents average indoor contaminant concentrations expected for the cloud scenario when outdoor ventilation rate ranges from 0.1 to 50 ACPH. Important observations are that:

Indoor concentrations increase steadily until the point in time that the discharge ceases and the last of the airborne contamination passes a building.

Tight buildings or average buildings in highly favorable weather, with air change rates of 0.1 ACPH are expected to experience a peak indoor contaminant concentration only 5% of the outdoor average after 30 minutes. Due to the lack of ventilation, however, indoors levels will drop slowly after the cloud has passed.

“Average” homes and buildings, with air change rates of 0.5 to 1.0 ACPH, may experience indoor concentrations on the order of 20 - 40% of outdoor levels after 30 minutes.

“Leaky” buildings or average buildings exposed to severe weather conditions, with air change rates of 1.5 - 2.5 ACPH, may experience 45 to 65 % of outdoor concentration in 30 minutes.

Buildings that have open windows or doors or mechanical ventilation system bringing in outdoor air at high rates will experience contaminant concentrations close to those experienced outdoors.

Peak indoor levels will be lower if the cloud passes in less than 30 minutes and higher if the cloud requires more than 30 minutes to pass.

Table - 1**Indoor Concentrations for Hypothetical Cloud Passage**

Time (Minutes)	Internal Concentrations (ppm) at various Air Change Rates (ACPH)								
	0.1 ACPH	0.5 ACPH	1.0 ACPH	1.5 ACPH	2.0 ACPH	2.5 ACPH	5.0 ACPH	10.0 ACPH	50.0 ACPH
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0.8	4.1	8.0	11.8	15.4	18.8	34.1	56.5	98.4
10	1.7	8.0	15.4	22.2	28.3	34.1	56.5	81.1	100
15	2.5	11.8	22.1	31.3	39.3	46.5	71.3	91.8	100
20	3.3	15.4	28.3	39.3	48.7	56.5	81.1	96.4	100
25	4.1	18.8	34.1	46.5	56.5	64.7	87.5	98.4	100
30	4.9	22.1	39.3	52.8	63.2	71.3	91.8	99.3	100
40	4.8	20.3	33.3	41.1	45.3	47.0	39.9	18.8	0
50	4.7	18.7	28.2	32.0	32.4	31.0	17.3	3.5	0
60	4.6	17.2	23.8	24.9	23.3	20.4	7.5	0.7	0
90	4.4	13.4	14.5	11.8	8.6	5.9	0.6	0	0

Note :- The cloud is assumed to have an average concentration of 100 ppm outdoors. Its leading edge reaches the building at time equal to zero. Its trailing edge passes the building at time equals 30 minutes, at which point internal contaminant concentrations begin to drop.

5.2 CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF REHABILITATION CENTERS FOR EVACUEES

Following table provides details of the item and criteria for ranking of potential rehabilitation centers:-

Sr. No	Item	Criteria
1	Location	Cross wind, Distance from potential emergency site
2	Capacity	500,1000, 1500 persons, No. of rooms, size of each room
3	Food	Proximity to market or areas from where food and refreshments can be made available
4	Potable Water	Availability of potable water in m ³ .
5	Sanitation	Number of toilets and wash rooms for every 100 persons
6	Security	Boundary, fence, security guards, or possibility of deployment of police personnel
7	Facilities for physically handicapped	Beds, wheel chairs - proximity to areas from where it can be made available at short notice.
8	First aid/Medical help	Proximity to hospitals/ nursing homes, chemist shops and provision of doctor at the center.
9	Structural Stability	Special consideration should be given in case of explosion hazard potential in the nearby industry.

Potential centers can be gauged based on the above criteria and ranked to get the best suited for particular emergency scenario.

P A R T – II

M A R S

(Major Accident Response System)

for

Mehsana District

Response Phase

Police	Phone (Office)	Phone (Residence)
District Superintendent of Police	99784 05074	-
Dy. Superintendent of Police	9429153691	-

Fire	Phone (Office)	Phone (Residence)
Fire Superintendent	9714168719	-

Medical	Phone (Office)	Phone (Residence)
Chief District Health Officer	9099064816	-
Civil Surgeon	6352874176	-

CHAPTER 1

ACTION PLAN FOR OFF SITE EMERGENCY

1.1 BACKGROUND

The intensity of hazard can be gauged from the developments at the site. It is at the incident site where the hazard is first noticed and the countermeasures applied to contain the incident to within the plant boundary. If the hazard is uncontrollable within the works, it may pose threat to off site populations. However in case of explosion, both on-site and off-site consequences may occur simultaneously. Further any transport accident involving hazardous chemicals will immediately become offsite emergency. Although the primary functions of respective coordinators may be similar in each type of response, the first response, application of counter measures and the extent may vary for different incidents. In view of this, the “Major Accident Response System” (MARS) has been specifically tailored to meet the response needs of Mehsana District.

1.2 SCOPE AND COVERAGE

The scope of the present Major Accident Response System (MARS) for Mehsana District is limited to Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units, chemicals exceeding the threshold quantities as specified under the MSIHC Rules and to transportation accidents involving hazardous chemicals. It does not cover accidents involving hazardous chemicals where the damage distances are small and may not pose significant off-site hazard. It also does not cover pipeline hazard as the present plan is a logical extension of the “Rapid Safety Audit and Hazard Analysis of MAH units” exercise, sponsored by Ministry of Environment of Forest (MoEF), and the pipelines were not in its scope of coverage.

1.3 LAYOUT OF THE PLAN

The plan has been divided into six chapters. Chapter 1 provides basic information on the need for the plan, its scope, coverage and Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units covered. Chapter 2 is action plan for managing off-site emergencies involving fire / explosion scenarios. Chapter 3 covers the action plan for management of chemical emergencies involving toxic dispersion due to large spills such that the maximum downwind damage distance is over 3 Km. Chapter 4 provides action plan for managing chemical accident scenarios where the maximum downwind hazard distance is up to 3 Km. Chapter 5 deals with management of accident scenarios involving transportation of hazardous chemicals and Chapter 6 deals with the post emergency activities required to be performed by the respective team members to restore normalcy.

1.4 LEVEL OF RESPONSE

Communities that frequently experience hazardous material emergencies of a minor nature but are rarely faced with more significant events may wish to consider a staged response. For example, depending on the severity of the situation as described by the initial caller, various levels of response might be established, thus avoiding the immediate need to call out forces in strength for all incidents. Personnel arriving at the scene could, of course, request additional assistance and thereby raise the level or stage of response, much as additional alarms might be sounded during major fires or the threat thereof.

One strategy to be considered for establishing levels of response classifies responses into three levels, as follows:

- **Level 1**

An incident that can be controlled by the first response agencies and does not require evacuation of other than the involved section of the plant or the immediate surrounding area. The incident is confined to a small area and does not pose an immediate threat to life or property.

- **Level 2**

An incident involving a greater hazard or larger area which pose a potential threat to life or property and which may require a limited evacuation of the surrounding population and all plant personnel.

- **Level 3**

An incident involving a severe hazard or a large area which poses an extreme threat to life and property and will probably require a large scale evacuation; or an incident requiring the expertise or resources of Local, District, State, Central or Private Agencies / Organizations.

Based on assessment of the incident by District Crisis Group (DCG), the level of response required for the particular accident situation can thus be determined. Following chapters discuss the “Action Plan” for rendering response to chemical accidents at Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units in District Mehsana.

CHAPTER 2

ACTION PLAN FOR OFF SITE EMERGENCY – FIRE / EXPLOSION

This section deals with accident scenarios at Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units in Mehsana District, involving hazardous chemicals leading to fire / explosion. Simulations of identified major accident scenarios were conducted and the results of only those scenarios where there is significant off-site damage potential are listed at Table 2.1 for MAH units at Mehsana district.

Table 2.1**Off-site Areas and Population Likely to be affected by Accidents at Kadi Taluka**

Name & address of the Unit	Chemical	Largest Storage Quantity (MT)	Damage Distance (m)							Areas Likely to be Affected
			Pool Fire		BLEVE		UVCE			
			FZR	IZR	FZR	IZR	FZR	IZR	D-LFL	
AksharChem India. Limited Plot 166/169 Indrad Village Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	Vinyl Sulphone	650 MT	650 MT	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Adjacent industrial area within 200 m radius
Ambuja Intermediats ltd Plot No 1152 At-Rajpur Ta kadi Dist Mehsana	Oleum 65%	30 MT	90 MT	500M	-	NA	-	NA	NA	Rajpur village Kadi main road
AksharChem India. Limited Plot No 167/168 Village Indrad Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	Vinyl Sulphone	7.8 MT	7.8 MT	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Adjacent plant area
Deddy chemicals pvt ltd Survey No 1143, village Rajpur Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	Chlorine	27 MT	27 MT	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Rajpur hamlet and surrounding residential pockets within 900 m radius
Cedar Décor Pvt Ltd. Plot No65/p, Ankhol Patiya Ta Kadi Dist Mehsana	Formaldehyde	40MT	40 MT	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Industrial surroundings of Ankol Patiya
Gopinath Chem Tech Pvt Ltd Sr.no- 470 Kundal Nr. Bholenath Saw Mill Ta-Kadi dist Mehsana	OLEUM 23% OLEUM 65%	27 MT 23 MT	27MT 23MT	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Kundal area Bholenath Saw Mill

Abbreviations:**BLEVE** – Boiling Liquid Expanding Vapor Explosion**UVCE** – Unconfined Vapor Cloud Explosion**FZR** – Fatal Zone Radius**IZR** – Injury Zone Radius**LFL** – Distance to Lower Flammable Limit**D-3** – Stability Class D, wind speed 3 m/s**F-1.5** – Stability Class F, wind speed 1.5 m/s**Note:** Flammable liquid, no pressurized storage → BLEVE = NA, Methanol, dyes, and oleum are not stored under pressure → No BLEVE.

2.2 NOTIFICATION TO OFF-SITE AUTHORITIES

2.2.1 Action: Communication Coordinator of the Unit or adjoining units

In scenarios involving large fires / explosions, the communication system of the affected installation may get severely damaged and be rendered useless. If the system still exists, the communications coordinator of the affected installation will notify the off-site authorities. In all other cases, the chief of neighboring installations or any other responsible person may inform the off-site authorities.

The communication coordinator shall call to District Crisis Control Room (DCCR) - Mehsana) for notifying the chemical accident emergency. In communicating the accident scenario he will:-

- Identify oneself by name and designation
- Give the location of the incident (Plant, Section, Equipment)
- Inform about the chemical involved
- State briefly the type of emergency i.e. whether fire, explosion, toxic release (specify the direction of gas cloud movement in case of toxic gas release)
- State the severity of the incident
- Standby to render all possible assistance

There is a possibility that any other person may also see/hear the fire / explosion and calls the police station before they receive call from the affected unit or the District Emergency Control Center (DECC). It may not be possible for an ordinary citizen to provide entire information as per the given format. In such a case it will be the responsibility of the information-receiving officer to call up the affected MAH unit or the nearby unit (if the communication system of the affected installation is severely damaged) and gather the desired information. It is suggested that a pad of blank formats are kept at Police Control Room (PCR) so that officer in-charge can promptly ask questions and record information.

2.2.2 Notification to Response Organizations

Action : Departmental Officer Manning the District Collector Control Room (DCCR) / Police Control Room (PCR)

The person receiving the information shall immediately inform the three first responders i.e. Police, Fire and Medical department by calling their chiefs / alternates (in case chief is not reachable). The contact information is given below for ready reference. Next he will inform District Collector, Chairman of District Crisis Group (DCG) and all other members of DCG. He will pass the complete information of the incident to all the members. If he receives, further information after making the first call, he will convey that also in the same order. Alternatively, if the information is more relevant to any particular department, he will first pass that information to its head. The directory of Key Contacts, i.e., members of DCG, LCG, industries in the district and expert agencies at District / State and National Level, is given at [Annexure 2](#).

2.3 IMMEDIATE RESPONSE BY FIRST RESPONDERS

On receipt of information about offsite emergency, first responders will immediately deploy first batch of response teams from a location nearest to the incident site i.e. they mobilize their counterparts in Local Crisis Group (LCG). They will further reinforce their teams by deploying additional resources from surrounding areas so that effective (based on their assessment of first information received) first response can be rendered at site. In the mean time they will keep additional resources in terms of manpower and equipment on high alert to move to incident site. On getting feedback from their response teams (who would have by then assessed the situation) they will take decision on movement of more teams. Once the assessed deployment is made, Chiefs shall also move to site for better operational control. It may be possible in some of the cases that resources may have to be mobilized from neighboring districts or even other states. In such a case, chiefs will organize this through their respective Headquarters / District Collector.

Major duties of the three first responders during emergency are discussed below:-

2.3.1 Police Department

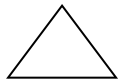
The teams will coordinate the following activities:-

- Control of traffic near the affected areas so that emergency vehicles reach the incident site at the earliest
- Ensuring law and order at the incident site during emergency

As explosion scenarios seldom give time for a structured response, areas that may get affected due to possibility of secondary explosions only need to be evacuated. In such a case, the police personnel will also provide security at the assembly points and evacuated areas.

2.3.2 Fire Department

For a fire to happen, three components are required as depicted below :-



Cutting off the supply of any one of the above three components can help in getting the fire under control. Therefore the major activities that the fire team will undertake will be directed towards cutting off the supply of one or more of these components.

a) **On-scene Assessment**

The first fire vehicle to reach the site will immediately contact the site controller and collect the necessary information regarding the material involved, the actions taken and the current status. The driver will park the vehicle in a manner to prevent exposure to radiant heat.

b) **Removing the Source of Ignition**

Water is by far the most reliable source for extinguishing fires. However, it may not be applicable on substances, which are lighter than water, insoluble in water or incompatible with water.

The Leading Fire Men (LFM) will assess the use of water for fire fighting. If it is found to be adequate for handling the incident fire, he will formulate the fire fighting strategy keeping in mind the manpower and resources available, access to the incident location, availability of hydrant points/monitors and wind direction. Each crewmember will wear necessary fire suits before entering the "Hot Zone". The crewmembers should work in pairs, taking care of each other.

Fire fighting should be attempted only when it is safe to do so. When water is not the right answer and alternate fire fighting material is not readily

available at the incident site it may be wise to let the fire burn while preventing the adjoining vessels from overheating by cooling them. This is true primarily in cases where the possibility of explosions is minimal. In cases where the possibility of explosion is high, all efforts should be directed towards preventing the explosion from occurring and evacuating the area.

Primary function of fire team subsequent to explosions is to prevent secondary fires. During such incidents care should be taken so that the team members are not exposed to risks of secondary or delayed explosions.

During the entire operations, the Leading Fire Men (LFM) would keep the fire service coordinator informed of the development so as to enable him to plan and deploy additional resources at the incident location.

c) Removing or limiting the amount of Combustibles

If the incident involves only major leaks / spills and there is no fire / explosion, the fire personnel will focus on plugging / stopping of the leak. Small leaks left unattended for extended periods of time can cause large losses of chemicals to the environment and have much more severe effects than would occur if the leak were somehow completely or partially plugged on a prompt basis. There are great benefits, therefore, in having access to one or more individuals with the basic tools and knowledge needed to limit losses from punctured or leaking tanks or pipelines.

The most widely available means for plugging holes or leaks in equipment involves use of conical, cylindrical, square or wedge shaped pieces of wood, rubber or metal sheets, inflatable pipe plugs, special patching compounds, clamps of various types, and a number of other items.

The plugs alone, if available in a variety of sizes, can be jammed into holes and greatly reduce the open area, from which the contents of the tank or pipeline can escape; assuming, of course, that it is safe for individuals to approach the leak area. Many incidents are brought to a rapid end simply by having the proper common tools available to close a valve or tighten some bolts. It is the responsibility of fire personnel to plug/stop leaks based on guidance obtained from technical coordinators.

d) Suppression of Flammable Vapor

As fire is a surface phenomenon, it is advisable to restrict the spread of pool. Based on the guidance from technical coordinators, the response team shall take rapid measures to reduce the rate or amount of flammable/explosive vapors or gases entering the atmosphere using one or combination of the following measures :-

- Physical restriction of liquid pool surface areas.
- Transfer to an alternate or standby container if it is safe to do so.
- Dilution or coverage of liquid pools with water (or other compatible liquids).
- Cooling of spilled liquids or venting tanks.

e) Removal of Oxygen

This can be achieved by the following:-

- Use of fire-fighting or specialized hazardous material foams to cover the spill.
- Use of water sprays or fogs.

f) Provide Rescue Services

As fire department personnel are adequately trained to rescue trapped people from collapsed structures, two members of the fire response team will help the industry personnel in rescuing the people, till the time rescue team arrives.

2.3.3 Medical Services

On receipt of information from the District Emergency Control Center (DECC), the district medical coordinator shall dispatch his medical teams to the incident site. Following are the major activities of emergency medical teams reaching the emergency site.

a) Establishment of Triage Stations

Mass casualty situations will require establishment of field hospitals to take care for the injured and to identify, stabilize, and transport more serious cases to hospitals. Medical team will establish triage stations near the affected installation and will be required to evaluate and color code the victims. The following code is proposed

- **Red** for critical, such victims should to be sent to the hospital in the first available ambulance. Medical Officer manning the triage station will

maintain a checklist for the number of victims sent to a particular hospital so as to know when the capacity is reached and further victims may be refused admission.

- **Yellow** for stable, such victims need to be sent to the hospital when there is room available in an ambulance after all the critical victims have been sent.
- **Green** for walking wounded, to be provided with first aid and treatment for shock and trauma.

Medical coordinator shall, from the list of the proposed rehabilitation centers, identify such areas to which the public can be directed in the aftermath of an accident where this action is warranted. Outside and local medical care personnel shall be informed by the district medical coordinator of their responsibilities in staffing and equipping such facilities quickly. Such field hospitals shall maintain a record of all the patients (as far as possible) so as to enable accounting of personnel and their destinations after triage. The on-scene medical command post shall be under the direction of the local medical coordinator. Local Medical coordinator shall also be responsible for formulating a mass casualty plan for the local hospitals as discussed in pre emergency activities.

b) Medical Support for Response Personnel

Where deemed necessary, properly equipped medical personnel and one or more ambulances shall be made available to check and (if necessary) treat injured response personnel as necessary. These personnel shall check the vital signs and general health of all personnel who will don specialized protective gear and enter "Hot" and "Warm" Zones, particularly where fully encapsulating protective suits are being used. The health of potentially exposed response workers shall be rechecked upon completion of their duties.

c) Medical Support at Temporary Shelters

Once the evacuees are at the shelter, it is the responsibility of local Medical coordinator to ensure their well-being. For this, the medical coordinator will assign team(s) to take care of people who become ill during evacuation or later. The doctors assigned this work should be aware of the signs and symptoms of exposure to flammable/explosive material and smoke so that they can easily identify victims and provide them with

necessary treatment & care. Facilities should also be available for care of the handicapped and elderly.

2.4 RESPONSE BY OTHER RESPONSE AGENCIES

2.4.1 District Collector

On receipt of information of the accident the District Collector will rush to the District Emergency Control Centre (DECC), where he will be joined by Dy. Director, Industrial Safety & Health, Mehsana and two technical experts. Other technical experts (nearest to the incident location) will directly rush to the Local Command Post (LCP) and remain in touch with the DECC for regularly updating the information. Also they will provide technical support to combat teams at the incident site. The District Collector will address the following issues along with other members present at DECC:-

- Obtain update of the incident situation from Local Command Post (LCP) and establish a link for continuous communication (such as dedicated telephone line with speaker phones, set of warlike talkies, computer link, etc.) with the help of communication coordinator.
- Identify the hazardous and threatened areas based on map and templates available and information received from LCP.
- Supervise the overall management of each function through respective member of the District Crisis Group (DCG) and expediting response wherever required
- Take a decision on requirement and priorities of evacuation and organize the resources to execute the same. They will contact transport and evacuation coordinators (already on high alert) and issue instructions.
- Based on the inputs from the first responders and experts available at LCP, identify the additional resource requirement and initiate mobilization.
- After making the required arrangements, District Collector will take decision whether he is required to go to the incident site and who all shall accompany him. In such a situation, his deputy will take charge of the DECC.

Duties and responsibilities of other members of DCG are discussed below:-

2.4.2 Member Secretary of District Crisis Group (DCG) – Deputy Director Industrial Safety & Health, Mehsana.

- Assisting different members of the DCG in planning the performance of their duties
- Providing overall coordination within the DCG and with the Member Secretary of the Local Crisis Group (LCG).
- Arranging for complete documentation of proceedings at the incident site
- Maintaining detailed records of what happened and what actions were taken. This would help in:
 - Recovering response costs and damages from the party responsible for the incident, if applicable.
 - Reviewing the efficiency and effectiveness of response actions.
 - Preparing for future incident responses.
- Verifying facts, actions, injuries, equipment used, etc. for the purpose of legal proceedings, insurance claims, budget requests, and public inquiries.

In addition to written documentation of an incident, it is good practice to draw diagrams or sketches of containers, vehicles, structures, streets, containment techniques employed locations of deployment, etc. Photographs and videotapes, if available, should be kept on file for reference purposes.

The Member Secretary of the DCG shall, through Personnel and Administration Manager of the affected unit, arrange to maintain a record of all the developments during an emergency. Wherever it is possible to do so, videotaping of the entire combat and rescue operations may also be arranged. Providing facility for recording all the communication had on the telephones can also be of help for future use. It is suggested that a telephone roster be maintained at the District Emergency Control Center (DECC) for future reference and analysis of emergency management operations.

2.4.3 Communication Coordinator

Depending on the severity of the incident, the communication coordinator may or may not be required to go to the incident site. However, under all circumstances, the major issues that he has to address are:

a) Emergency Communication System

With respect to overall use of telephones, special precautions must be taken where an explosion or fire at some critical location may destroy vital communication links or services. Therefore, the primary communication channel for an emergency at Mehsana shall comprise of communication through the walkie-talkie available with the District Administration, Police and Fire Services. Additionally, use will also be made of the mobile phones, landline telephones and alternate facilities available with the industries. The details of communication and warning system available with the respective MAH units are given at [Annexure 3.9](#).

b) Notification to General Population for Evacuation or Shelter - in-Place

Time is critical during an emergency situation and it has been experienced that prompt notification has been a key factor in saving several lives. On getting instructions from the District Collector, communication coordinator will dispatch teams for notifying general public. As can be seen from [Table 2.1 to Table 2.4](#) fire incidents may not require evacuation of general population from nearby areas. Further, explosions will not give enough time to notify and evacuate the general population. Therefore, notification of evacuation in such incidents is only applicable where the explosive chemical is leaking and the container may explode it will be the responsibility of the communication coordinator of the affected installation to notify all employees (except essential staff required for combat and emergency management) to immediately leave the plant. It is expected that the emergency shut-down procedure is followed at the plant level. The District communication coordinator will direct his local counterpart to organize notification to general population. For this, use can be made of industry/police or fire department vehicles with Public Address (PA) system, through which, standard message formats prepared in the planning phase can be announced. It is important to note that all the warning and notification teams should be given the same set of instructions. Dissimilarity in warning signals/notification and

instruction can lead to devastating confusion not only among the receptors but also the team members.

c) Notification to Next of Kin of Death of Relative(s)

It is important to note that next of kin are promptly notified of fatalities or severe injuries carefully and in a sensitive and supportive fashion. This activity should be discussed with the Red Cross and coordinated with members of voluntary organizations, NGOs. The notification must be first made to the relatives and then to press media to avoid administrative embarrassment.

2.4.4 Technical Coordinator

Four experts in industrial safety and health have been nominated as Technical coordinators. The major issues that they have to address are:

a) Formulation of Response Objectives and Strategy

The technical coordinator shall assess the incident before taking action and formulate realistic response objectives. The assessment shall be based on the following points for which they shall call their two colleagues, who are available at the incident site, to obtain first hand information:-

- Pre-incident plans and/or standard operating procedures
- Information that has been obtained regarding:
 - Material(s) involved
 - Container(s) involved
 - Vehicle(s) and/or structures involved
 - Atmospheric conditions affecting the incident
 - Environmental monitoring and sampling data, if available
 - Public protective actions that have or have not been initiated
 - Resource requirements (i.e., trained personnel, specialized protective gear, other equipment, etc.)
 - Hazards and risks posed to humans, animals, property, and the environment.

Upon completion of the incident assessment, they will be in a better position to determine whether their response strategy should be defensive or offensive in nature. In all cases, of course, actions should be initiated to protect the public and environment outside the immediate spill or discharge area and/or to contain the hazard from a safe distance.

b) Identification of Hazard Zone

Technical coordinators, trained in these aspects shall be responsible for estimating the hazard zones and feeding the information to District Crisis Group (DCG) for further response. The estimation requires expertise in using the required computer simulation software. To estimate the hazard zone in a particular emergency scenario, the technical coordinator shall place the transparency provided with start point on the source of accident on the scaled map of the area given at [Annexure 1.1](#). This will give them the extent of the area likely to be affected.

c) Establishment of Hazard Control Zones at Incident Site

An important component of the emergency response involves establishment of hazard control zones at the incident scene to limit the number of people in the most hazardous areas. The exact size and configuration of these hazard control zones must be determined and visually differentiated at each particular incident based on incident-specific factors and situations. These shall be determined by the technical coordinator based on the results of hazard analysis and may include the following:-

"Hot Zone" - Area of maximum hazard surrounding the damaged container(s) or fire area, which may be entered by only specially equipped and trained response personnel.

"Warm Zone" - Area of moderate hazard outside the Hot Zone in which properly equipped and trained backup crew will be standby.

"Cold Zone" - Area outside the Warm Zone that poses minimal or negligible hazards to emergency personnel. The command post, most of the deployed apparatus, and the resource staging area should be located in the Cold Zone.

2.4.5 Safety Coordinator

On receiving information about the ongoing emergency, Safety coordinator will rush to the District Emergency Control Center (DECC) and coordinate efforts for the following activities:

a) Monitoring of Atmospheric Conditions

The atmospheric stability conditions, wind velocities, and wind directions have a direct impact on the incident heat radiation in downwind areas. Real time data can be obtained from Indian Meteorological Department's station at Mehsana. Prompt availability of these inputs can help the response agencies in planning the deployment of manpower and resources at the incident location.

b) Ensuring Safety of Response Team Members at Incident Scenes

Safe operating procedures to be established and enforced by the Safety Coordinator include but are not limited to:-

- The use of appropriate protective gear and equipment.
- Limiting the number of personnel in the "Hot" and "Warm" hazard control zones.
- Utilizing the most experienced personnel for the most hazardous tasks.
- Positioning a backup team in the "Warm Zone" in case it is needed to assist or rescue personnel in the "Hot Zone".
- Monitoring (visually and through communications) the welfare of personnel operating within the "Hot" and "Warm" Zones.
- Ensuring that all personnel understand their assignments.
- Enforcing a "No Smoking" policy at incidents involving flammable or combustible materials.
- Replacing fatigued personnel with "fresh" personnel.
- Adjusting hazard control zones to reflect changing conditions.

2.4.6 Rescue Coordinator

There are a variety of scenarios under which workers at chemical facilities or members of the public near or downwind of a hazardous material released may be exposed to high levels of thermal radiation, or injured due to the effects of an explosion. Fire departments are usually well prepared and experienced in rescuing people from fire and explosion

situations, and will in many cases not require any new or additional planning to meet these responsibilities.

- Rescue coordinator shall be responsible for deputing rescue teams to enter the hazardous areas and rescue injured or trapped individuals.
- Rescue teams operating in hazardous environments should work at-least in pairs. This is a common safety practice, as is the practice of having a backup team ready for action, should a problem develop.
- The rescue coordinator will contact the material coordinator for quickly obtaining the necessary protective gear so that the teams can commence search and rescue operations promptly.

2.5.7 Evacuation and Rehabilitation Coordinator

In case of fires, the damage distance for different scenarios is such that evacuation of off-site population may not be necessary. However, in case of explosions, evacuation of personnel of the plant and adjoining units may be required. Explosions occur suddenly and seldom give time for a phased response. Further, in contrast to toxic vapor release, heat is easily recognizable by all persons and on impulse; the person tends to move towards a cooler place thereby rendering the first response to him-self. In scenarios involving fires/explosions, the prime objective is to obtain inputs from the Technical Coordinators about the areas likely to be affected due to secondary fires and initiate evacuation. Under such circumstances, places having high population density such as neighboring industries, educational institutions, prisons, hospitals, cinemas, etc are the most vulnerable. All such areas may not require evacuation and the decision will largely depend upon the prevailing conditions.

Additionally, at residential areas where healthy persons can understand the warning and respond to the accident warning signal quickly, senior citizens, handicapped and children may need help and assistance from the rescue personnel. Census record of the area can be of great help in identifying the part of population that may require special care.

a) Evacuation of General Population

- The local evacuation coordinator on receipt of instruction from District Collector shall immediately mobilize his team(s) for initiating evacuation of the areas expected to be exposed / threatened by heat radiation/explosion overpressure.

- He will also ensure that all his team members involved in alerting and support, are equipped with appropriate Personal Protective Equipments (PPEs) and are well aware of the procedures to be followed. The team members will carry a supply of chalk or colorful tags that can be used to mark doorsteps or place on the doorknob to indicate that the place has indeed been evacuated.
- He will direct his team to carry out rescue operation in association with the rescue coordinator.
- He will designate In-charge of rehabilitation center(s), and keep in touch with them for regular head-count, care of evacuees and availability of essential supplies at such centers.

b) Evacuation Routes and Assembly Points

In the overall planning process it is essential to define evacuation routes well in advance. The routes should be clearly spelt out in the warning signals, as also the location of shelters to where the people with automobiles should proceed and people without automobiles should gather for pick-up by buses / trucks or vans.

In designating evacuation routes, it has to be kept in mind that major roads are the most desirable in all likelihood will be available as it will not be affected by the accident as may be the case and/unless, they are dedicated to other important functions such as, for access by police, fire, public works, medical and other such emergency operation vehicles.

As soon as an evacuation has been declared, police and auxiliary personnel should be prepared to control traffic on evacuation routes, to keep non-evacuation related traffic off the roads and to remove any vehicle(s) that breaks down and causes a slowdown / obstruction of traffic. These activities will in turn require availability of tow-trucks and portable roadblock material (barricades, cones, signs, etc.).

c) Shelter & Care of Evacuees

This aspect is an important function of the overall evacuation exercise. It calls for providing safe and comfortable shelter for relocated population.

Once the evacuees reach the shelters, they would want to report “missing” persons or to determine if their family members, friends or neighbours are “lost” or are in other shelters. Response to these queries, as well as identification of persons genuinely missing will require registration of people upon entry and communication between shelters.

Care has also to be taken of any pets brought along by the evacuees. Human service personnel/volunteers may be required to render counseling, recreational and other needs of confined population. Quite obviously, shelters will require initial and periodic supplies of food, water and sanitary facilities for the inhabitants.

2.4.8 Transport Coordinator

Performing transport functions requires planning for the availability of buses/trucks/vans/ambulances and other vehicles to transport school children, residents of hospitals/nursing homes and general members of the public who do not own vehicles to safe shelters. For this the prime responsibility rests with the local transport coordinator who, on receipt of information about the emergency from District Emergency Control Center (DECC), will direct the fleet (drivers) and coordinate the following transport activities during an emergency:-

- During the emergency, he will work in close liaison with the communication and evacuation coordinators.
- On getting instructions from the District Crisis Group (DCG), he will effect the warning / instruction / notification operation,
- Arrange for the fleet of vehicles at a pre-designated location so that they can transport the affected population to safer areas (Rehabilitation Centers),
- Make coordinating efforts with vulnerable areas such as schools, hospitals, nursing homes, cinema halls, shopping halls, etc. for evacuation of people to safer places.
- He will also be responsible for ensuring that any needed response equipment, material and personnel are arranged promptly to the scene of an accident and for ensuring an adequate state of operational readiness thus consolidating the management of all transport related activities.
- Through mutual aid and other services, he shall be responsible for arranging ambulances at the incident site. Emergency transport and ambulance facilities available with the industries in Mehsana district are listed at [Annexure 3.3 & Annexure 3.10](#) respectively.
- He shall also be responsible for arranging the protective equipment, clothing, devices, and any decontamination and/or treatment supplies that may be required by ambulance personnel in an actual emergency.

2.4.9 Utilities Coordinator

a) Identification of Water Sources in Rural Areas

The main and largest source of water in Mehsana District is from rivers. Water can be tapped from the intake point of Water Supply Corporation or from the industries themselves. Other source can be the bore-wells and tube-wells in the adjoining villages and agricultural fields. The water storage facilities at each industry are also given at [Annexure 3.1](#).

Utilities coordinator is responsible for ensuring uninterrupted supply of water for fire-fighting to all the brigades in operation. He shall coordinate with the transport coordinator for replenishing the depleted stock of firewater at the incident site through water tankers.

b) Notification and Shutdown of Electric Utilities

Major explosions may result in breaking of power lines and an electrocution hazard to those who might make contact with any "downed" lines. In such a case, there may be circumstances in which it is desired to shutdown electric power systems rapidly in an area.

Based on information and instructions obtained from the accident site and the District Collector, the District Energy Officer shall, through his own communication channel, instruct the concerned officers of State Electricity Board to shut down the power supply to the identified area.

c) Provisioning Backup Power during Emergency

Once it is instructed to shut down the electric utilities in the area, power will still be required by the response teams, emergency control center and hospitals involved in treatment of victims during an emergency. For this the utilities coordinator will be responsible for providing back-up or alternate source of uninterrupted power for smooth operations. For this he will arrange portable DG sets from the agencies involved in providing such equipment on hire. ([Annexure 3.12](#)).

2.4.10 Material Coordinator

a) Availability of Respiratory Protective Devices

Few Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units in the District have Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBAs). The details regarding Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) available with the industries and those at fire-stations are given at [Annexure 3.8](#) and [Annexure 3.2](#) respectively.

b) Availability of Special Protective Clothing

The normal turnout clothing of fire service personnel may be adequate to protect them in a wide variety of fire and / or spill situations. But there may also be cases where containers of toxic or corrosive chemicals have collapsed during explosions. Such situations may require more complete protection of the body by clothing that is resistant to the damaging effects of the spilled substance. The clothing itself may range from boots, gloves, or disposable suits made of chemical resistant materials to air-tight fully encapsulating "astronaut" suits made for protection of the body from spilled substances on the ground or in high concentrations in the air. Where fires may occur, appropriate thermal protection may be additionally necessary.

c) Requirement of Protective Wear for Medical Response Teams

There have been cases where medical personnel have had to treat victims and have needed protective clothing (at least gloves and masks) to protect themselves from smoke or products of chemical combustion. It is therefore the duty of the material coordinator to make available adequate number of appropriate protective clothing for the medical response team.

d) Support Services for Field Response Forces

Several situations can be envisioned in which response personnel in the field may be required or are needed at the incident site for more than a day. These personnel will require rest areas and food to be able to continue to function, particularly if they are in a remote area or a region that has otherwise been evacuated. Sources of assistance for planning in this area include the Red Cross, Local NGOs, etc. The latter organizations in particular may be able to provide tents, cots, lights, etc. Additionally, there will be representatives from the local, state and central agencies together with the media, industry and other personnel involved in the overall emergency response. The total number of people requiring food and rest areas may actually be substantial. It is therefore the duty of the material coordinator to arrange food, rest areas, and other equipment and supplies necessary to sustain field response forces. The items needed would

include canteen services, accommodation, electrical power, portable toilets, washing facilities, etc.

e) Maintenance of Apparatus and Equipments

During long-duration incidents, apparatus and equipment (e.g., vehicles, generators, pumps, etc.) may require on-scene refueling and minor maintenance to enable uninterrupted operation. On-scene services of this nature are beneficial in that they eliminate the need to remove deployed apparatus and equipment from the incident scene. Providing of refueling and maintenance services may not be prudent in particularly hazardous locations. For example, fire department apparatus positioned near a fire should not be refueled where ignition of fuel vapors is possible. One step that may possibly eliminate the need to refuel apparatus and equipment is to fill fuel tanks to capacity prior to deployment. Furthermore, maintenance personnel must wear appropriate body and respiratory protective gear when operating in hazardous environments.

The unit's maintenance coordinator together with the material coordinator is responsible for carrying out the aforementioned operations.

2.4.11 Public Works Coordinator

On receiving notification of the emergency situation, the Public works coordinator will rush to the District Emergency Control Center (DECC) and instruct his team members to stand-by for rendering assistance in the following activities:-

- Besides the possible need for a temporary morgue, public works coordinator shall be responsible for planning and providing large-scale mortuary services when the need arises
- Initiating sewer shut-off to prevent contaminated water from entering water bodies,
- Evacuation and care of domestic livestock from the hazard zone when need arises.

This aspect is likely to be most applicable in rural areas with large population of valuable animals and relatively few people.

2.4.12 Liaison & Public Relations Coordinator

The public needs to be informed accurately and rapidly as to what is happening during an emergency situation. Significant incidents may result

in a large number of reporters arriving on scene and attempting to interview anybody and everybody. The Public Relations coordinator shall undertake the following tasks to help reduce confusion, facilitate information transfer, reduce problems that might be otherwise caused by a lack of organization, and reduce the incidence of unfounded rumors.

- Designate one specific individual and an alternate press officer to join the team of press officers that may be formed from representatives of all major parties to an emergency response operation (be they from local, state or central government agencies or the company responsible for the accident).
- Compile a list of telephone numbers of local radio and television station personnel who can initiate special “on air” announcements.
- Provide designated press officers with secretarial support, photocopy machines, and a means of communications with the overall command of the response operation.
- Select a site, preferably but not necessarily near the central emergency operations center, where the press can convene and be briefed by the press officer team. This site should ideally have telephones, electrical outlets, restrooms, and other facilities that media personnel may require.
- Establish a firm policy among all local officials and response personnel as to who should or should not speak to media personnel.
- Ensure that key emergency response personnel understand the need to relay up-to-date “status reports” to press officers on a regular basis.

Things To DO

- Accommodate the media as much as possible; make the news available to them.
- Schedule news conferences and avoid written releases.
- Be direct and specific.
- Always, always tell the truth.
- Send a press representative to the command post.
- Ensure that the team of press officers is in contact with the command post at all times.
- If safety permits, allow the media to take pictures of the accident site.

Things NOT To Do

- Do not permit arguments among public officials or press officers from different organizations in front of the press. Do, however, permit statements of dissenting opinions.
- Avoid giving gut opinions or conjecturing.
- Do not be evasive. If the answer to a question is not known, refer the question to someone who has the appropriate answer.
- Do not be critical in a personal manner; i.e., avoid personal remarks about other people at the accident scene.
- Do not be philosophical. These kinds of discussions are extremely susceptible to being quoted out of context.
- Do not make off-the-record comments. They may end up in print with later retractions buried in the back pages.
- Avoid friendly chats with media people. Casual comments may appear in print.
- Avoid bad or foul language.
- Do not hide from the media. They can sense this and form an unfavorable opinion of the press officer(s) as a credible source of news.
- Do not answer questions beyond personal knowledge or expertise.
- Do not permit media persons to attend emergency response team meetings. These are likely to be technical meetings with lively discussions that may last forever if people are performing rather than dealing with the problem at hand.

Reasons for planning for and controlling statements made during a severe emergency go beyond a simple desire to ensure orderly and accurate dissemination of information. One of the groups showing up more frequently at hazardous materials accidents is of lawyers representing a wide variety of interests. It should be remembered that good lawyers would remember everything they see and hear. A thoughtless comment or statement can surface months later in a courtroom. Placements of blame, criticisms of response actions, airing of dirty laundry in public and similar statements can result in lengthy and messy legal battles over comments or charges made in the heat of a very hectic moment.

CHAPTER 3

ACTION PLAN FOR OFF SITE EMERGENCY – LARGE SPILLS

3.1 GENERAL

This section deals with the action plan for managing chemical accident scenarios involving spill/leak of toxic substances into the atmosphere such that the maximum downwind damage distance is over 3 km. The cut-off of 3 Km has been taken, as scenarios with lesser damage distances can primarily be managed by the members of Local Crisis Group (LCG) and would only require coordinating efforts by their counterparts at the district level. However, scenarios having off-site effects beyond 3 Km would require large-scale evacuation and counter measure efforts. These are the scenarios, which need careful planning and performance of respective duties by the response personnel as several lives are at risk to exposure. Accident scenarios having off site effects beyond 3 Km due to toxic vapor dispersion in Mehsana district are summarized in [Table 3.1](#).

3.2 ANALYSIS OF MCA SCENARIOS

As can be observed from the information available in this table, the major hazardous substances leading to toxic vapor dispersion are LPG, Chlorine, etc. Low Immediately Dangerous to Life & Health (IDLH) value (30 ppm) of chlorine makes it one of the most hazardous widely used substances in the chemical industry.

Table 3.1

**Toxic Vapor Accidents Scenarios
Having Hazard Distance over 3 km**

Name of the Unit	Location	Chemical	Storage Quantity (MT)		Atmospheric Conditions	Max. Downwind Hazard Distance
			Largest	Total		
Deddy chemicals pvt ltd	Rajpur, Kadi	Chlorine	27	27		

Note : The USEPA model (ALOHA of CAMEO SUIT) does not provide results beyond 10 Km as they are highly unpredictable due to change in wind pattern and terrain.

CHAPTER 4

ACTION PLAN FOR OFF SITE EMERGENCY – SMALL SPILLS

4.1 GENERAL

This section deals with the action plan for managing chemical accident scenarios involving spill/leak of toxic substances into the atmosphere such that the maximum downwind damage distance is up to 3 km. The cut-off of 3 Km has been taken, as scenarios with lesser damage distances can primarily be managed by the members of Local Crisis Group (LCG) and would only require coordinating efforts by their counterparts at the district level.

4.2 ANALYSIS OF MCA SCENARIOS

As can be observed from the information available in this table, the major hazardous substances leading to toxic vapor dispersion are Chlorine, Ethylene oxide, of the 10 MAH units in the district, 1 is handling chlorine toners, 1 is handling ethylene oxide. As these units have not surrendered their explosive license, are still continuing as MAH units) Low IDLH value (30 ppm) of chlorine make it one of the most hazardous widely used substances in the chemical industry.

Other scenarios although also have off-site damage potential, are less than 3 Km cut-off considered in this section of the action plan. The actual off-site damage will be governed by several factors such as population surrounding the source installation, prevalent atmospheric conditions, combating facilities available with the unit, etc. Green belt surrounding industry also provide certain degree of attenuation to the vapors, thereby reducing the damage distance

4.3 AREAS & POPULATION LIKELY TO BE AFFECTED

Based on the results of the above table, villages have been identified in each of the eight wind directions for each area. Corresponding total population of these villages have also been indicated along side the areas likely to be affected.

4.4 CHAIN OF EVENTS

As can be seen from the above tables, toxic vapor release at any of the above installations has the potential of affecting off-site population up to 3 Km and the chain of events for effectively managing such an eventuality is presented below.

4.5 NOTIFICATION TO OFF-SITE AUTHORITIES

4.5.1 Action: Communication Coordinator of the Unit or adjoining units

The communication coordinator shall call to District Crisis Control Room (DCCR) - Mehsana for notifying the chemical accident emergency. In communicating the accident scenario he will:

- Identify oneself by name and designation.
- Give the location of the incident (Plant, Section, Equipment).
- Inform about the chemical involved.
- State briefly the type of emergency i.e. whether fire, explosion, toxic release (specify the direction of gas cloud movement in case of toxic gas release).
- State the severity of the incident to ascertain the level of emergency.
- Standby to render all possible assistance.

There is a possibility that any other person may also see / hear the fire / explosion and calls the police station before they receive call from the affected unit or the District Emergency Control Center (DECC). It may not be possible for an ordinary citizen to provide entire information as per the given format. In such a case it will be the responsibility of the information-receiving officer to call up the affected Major Accident Hazard (MAH) unit or the nearby unit (if the communication system of the affected installation is severely damaged) and gather the desired information. It is suggested that a pad of blank formats are kept at Police Control Room (PCR) so that Officer In-charge can promptly ask questions and record information.

4.5.2 Notification to Response Organizations

Action : Departmental Officer Manning the District Collector Control Room (DCCR) / Police Control Room (PCR)

The person receiving the information shall immediately inform the three first responders i.e. Police, Fire and Medical department by calling their chiefs / alternates (in case chief is not reachable) as per the list of District Crisis Group (DCG) members available with him. Next he will inform District Collector, Chairman of Local Crisis Group (LCG) and all other members of DCG. He will pass the complete information of the incident to all the members. If he receives, further information after making the first call, he will convey that also in the same order. Alternatively, if the information is more relevant to any particular department, he will first pass that information to its head.

4.6 ESTABLISHING LOCAL COMMAND POST (LCP)

Chairman of the Local Crisis Group (LCG) will select a local command post based on the location and intensity of the incident. He will then, through local communication coordinator, inform all the members of LCG about the emergency and the location of Local Command Post (LCP) selected so that preliminary response can be quickly initiated. He will also inform about the location of LCP to DECC and members of District Crisis Group (DCG).

ECC : Emergency Control Center

The above locations are suggested based on their proximity to the respective Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units and keeping in mind the availability of communication and control facilities for managing chemical emergency. However, prevailing wind direction also plays a major role in selection of the LCP. Alternate location may be selected based on on-scene assessment and availability of better location for operational control.

4.7 ACTION BY FIRST RESPONDERS

On receipt of information about offsite emergency, first responders will immediately deploy first batch of response teams from a location nearest to the incident site. They will further reinforce their teams by deploying additional resources from surrounding areas so that effective (based on their assessment of first information received) first response can be rendered at site. In the mean time they will keep additional resources in terms of manpower and equipment on high alert to move to incident site. On getting feedback from their response teams (who have by then

assessed the situation) they will take decision on deployment of additional resources in terms of men and material.

Major duties of the three first responders during emergency are discussed below:-

4.7.1 Police Department

The teams will be equipped with necessary Personal Protective Equipments (PPEs) and will coordinate the following activities :-

- Control of traffic and curious onlookers near the affected areas.
- Ensuring law and order at the incident site during emergency.
- Ensure law and order at the assembly points and evacuation routes.
- Provide security in the evacuated areas.
- Hazardous areas when evacuated also become vulnerable to theft, burglary, etc. In such events, it becomes the responsibility of the police department to ensure that unauthorized individuals do not enter hazard zones so that private and public property is safeguarded during evacuation.
- Ensuring law and order in the rehabilitation centers.
- Restoration of law and order in evacuated areas on termination of emergency.

4.7.2 Fire Department

The major activities that the fire team will undertake are:-

a) On-scene Assessment

The first fire vehicle to reach the site will immediately contact the site controller and collect the necessary information regarding the chemical spill / leak, the actions taken and the current status. The driver will park the vehicle in a manner to prevent exposure to air-borne chemical contaminants. Each crewmember will wear necessary Personal Protective Equipments (PPEs) before entering the "Hot Zone". The crewmembers should work in pairs, taking care of each other.

b) Plugging/Stopping of Leaks

Small leaks left unattended for extended periods of time can cause large losses of chemicals to the environment and have much more severe effects than would occur if the leak were somehow completely or partially

plugged on a prompt basis. There are great benefits, therefore, in having access to one or more individuals with the basic tools and knowledge needed to limit losses from punctured or leaking tanks or pipelines.

The most widely available means for plugging holes or leaks in equipment involves use of conical, cylindrical, square or wedge shaped pieces of wood, rubber or metal sheets, inflatable pipe plugs, pneumatic leak sealing "bandages", special patching compounds, clamps of various types, and a number of other items. The plugs alone, if available in a variety of sizes, can be jammed into holes and greatly reduce the open area, from which the contents of the tank or pipeline can escape; assuming, of course, that it is safe for individuals to approach the leak area. Several vendors market special leak plugging and patching kits. Innovative response personnel may be able to fashion their own devices. Many incidents are brought to a rapid end simply by having the proper common tools available to close a valve or tighten some bolts. It is the responsibility of fire personnel to plug / stop leaks based on guidance obtained from technical coordinators.

c) Suppression of Hazardous Gas or Vapor Releases

Based on the guidance from technical coordinators, the response team shall take rapid measures to reduce the rate or amount of hazardous vapors or gases entering the atmosphere using one or combination of the following measures :-

- Physical restriction of liquid pool surface areas.
- Transfer to an alternate or standby container if available.
- Use of fire-fighting or specialized hazardous material foams.
- Dilution or coverage of liquid pools with water (or other compatible liquids).
- Use of water sprays or fogs.
- Neutralization of spilled liquids.
- Cooling of spilled liquids or venting tanks.

4.7.3 Medical Coordinator

On receipt of information on the incident, the medical coordinator will dispatch medical teams to the incident location from the hospitals located nearest to the affected Major Accident Hazard (MAH) unit.

Following are the major activities of emergency medical teams reaching the emergency site:-

a) Establishment of Triage Stations

Mass casualty situations will require establishment of field hospitals to take care for the injured and to identify, stabilize, and transport more serious cases to hospitals. Medical team will establish triage stations near the affected installation and will be required to evaluate and color code the victims. The following code is proposed:-

- Red for critical, such victims should to be sent to the hospital in the first available ambulance. Medical Officer manning the triage station will maintain a checklist for the number of victims sent to a particular hospital so as to know when the capacity is reached and further victims may be refused admission.
- Yellow for stable, such victims need to be sent to the hospital when there is room available in an ambulance after all the critical victims have been sent
- Green for walking wounded, to be provided with first aid and treatment for shock and trauma

Medical coordinator shall, from the list of the proposed rehabilitation centers, identify such areas to which the public can be directed in the aftermath of a spill emergency where this action is warranted. Outside and local medical care personnel shall be informed by the medical coordinator of their responsibilities in staffing and equipping such facilities quickly. Such field hospitals shall maintain a record of all the patients (as far as possible) so as to enable accounting of personnel and their destinations after triage. The on-scene medical command post shall be under the direction of the local medical coordinator. Medical Coordinator in consultation with the respective Medical Superintendents of the Major Hospitals shall also be responsible for formulating a mass casualty plan for such hospitals as discussed in section 5.9, Chapter 5 of the “Off-Site Plan – Volume I”.

b) Medical support for Response Personnel

Where deemed necessary, properly equipped medical personnel and one or more ambulances shall be made available to check and (if necessary) treat injured or contaminated response personnel. These personnel shall

check the vital signs and general health of all personnel who will don specialized protective gear and enter "Hot" and "Warm" Zones, particularly where fully encapsulating protective suits are being used. The health of potentially exposed response workers shall be rechecked upon completion of their duties.

c) Medical support at Temporary Shelters

Once the evacuees are at the shelter, it is the responsibility of the medical coordinator to ensure their well-being. For this, he will assign team(s) to take care of people who become ill during evacuation or later. The doctors assigned this work should be aware of the signs and symptoms of exposure to toxic material(s) so that they can easily identify victims and provide them with necessary treatment & care. Contaminated individuals (those having contaminant residue on their person or clothing) should be segregated from unexposed people until adequately decontaminated. It is pertinent to note that significant contamination is unlikely to be of concern except where highly toxic aerosols, mists or dusts have entered the atmosphere or where individuals were in the immediate vicinity of the spill or discharge. Facilities should also be available for care of the handicapped and elderly.

4.8 RESPONSE BY DISTRICT COLLECTOR AND OTHER RESPONSE AGENCIES

On receipt of information of the accident, the District Collector will rush to the District Crisis Control Center Room (DCCR), where Dy. Director, Industrial Safety & Health, Mehsana and two technical experts will join him. Other two technical experts (nearest to the incident location) will directly rush to the Local Command Post (LCP) and remain in touch with the DCCR for regularly updating the information and provide technical support to combat teams at the incident site.

The District Collector will address the following issues along with other members present at DECC:-

- Obtain update of the incident situation from LCP and establish a link for continuous communication (such as dedicated telephone line with speaker phones, set of warlike talkies, computer link, etc.) with the help of communication coordinator.
- Identify the hazardous and threatened areas based on map and templates available and information received from LCP. They will also

establish link with safety coordinator (PCB personnel) for latest met data so that likely shift of hazard zone can be assessed and communicated to LCP.

- Supervise the overall management of each function through respective member of the District Crisis Group (DCG) and expediting response wherever required
- Take a decision on requirement and priorities of evacuation and organize the resources to execute the same. They will contact transport and evacuation coordinators (already on high alert) and issue instructions.
- Based on the inputs from the first responders and experts available at LCP, identify the additional resource requirement and initiate mobilization. District Collector may have to get in touch with his counterparts in other districts and also with state authorities depending upon the requirements.
- After making the required arrangements, District Collector will take decision whether he is required to go to the incident site and who all shall accompany him. In such a situation, his deputy will take charge of the DECC.

With the above procedure, the off-site response will be initiated and will involve activities as listed in Chapter – 3 of this Action Plan. Although the activities will more or less remain the same, their extent or the scale of response will be lesser as compared to response for large spill scenarios. Further, as the damage distances are up to 3 Km, the impact may be limited to industrial areas from unit located in Mehsana as majority of population in industrial areas will be factory employees, response to warning through sirens is expected to be understood by them. This will help in reducing the number of affected people due to such accident scenario. For this, the management of all the industries located in this area will need to initiate training programs for response to emergency sirens and actions to be taken by workers (such as emergency plant shut down and gathering at designated assembly points).

CHAPTER 5

ACTION PLAN FOR OFF SITE EMERGENCY – HAZCHEM TRANSPORTATION

5.1 HAZCHEM TRANSPORTATION

The rapid growth in the use of hazardous chemicals in industry has brought about a very significant in the transportation of hazardous chemicals through rail, roads and pipelines, which has the potential to endanger the life of large number of people by an accident involving these chemicals. More often than not, national and state highways pass through large population centers through which such chemicals are transported. This has made the problem of hazardous material transportation, even more complicated. There have been an enormous number of road accidents in general and involving transportation of hazardous chemical in particular. Many of these accidents have lead to large scale loss of life, damage to environment and property.

As can be observed from the foregoing sections, MAH Units of Mehsana district has a handling a variety of hazardous chemicals. While some of the units are manufacturers of hazchem, employing more hazchems in the process, others are end users. Therefore, the transportation of hazardous chemical in the district is due to the following:-

- a. Manufactures dispatching hazchem to units within or outside the District
- b. Manufacturers or other chemical industries receiving hazchem from manufacturers located within or outside the District
- c. Bulk storage terminals receiving hazchem through pipelines and / or ships and dispatching to users within or outside the District
- d. Transient traffic of hazchem carrier passing through the major corridors of the District.

5.2 MAJOR CORRIDORS FOR HAZCHEM TRANSPORTATION

NH-48 (Ahmedabad–Mehsana–Delhi Highway) :-

This is the major national highway passing through Mehsana district, linking Ahmedabad — Mehsana — Palanpur and further north.

Heavy vehicles including hazardous chemical tankers commonly use this corridor due to connectivity to industrial centres and other states.

Often recommended as a primary route for bulk chemical transport to minimise transit through smaller towns.

Ahmedabad–Mehsana–Palanpur corridor (State/National Highway)

This stretch forms part of long-distance hazchem routes connecting Ahmedabad and northern Gujarat/India.

This is listed in Gujarat state hazchem transport routing guidance as the road used for many chemical freight movements

5.3 MAJOR HAZCHEMS TRANSPORTED

Based on the results of an earlier study conducted by the Ministry of Environment of Forest (MoEF), following are the major hazchem transported through the District:-

- Acid (Acetic, Hydrochloric, Nitric, Sulphuric & Alkalies)
- Ammonia
- Benzene
- Chlorine
- Diesel
- Kerosene
- LPG / Propane
- Carbon disulphide
- Methanol
- Motor spirit
- Naphtha
- Oleum
- Solvents (Xylene, Toluene, Aromax)
- Technical Pesticides

5.4 TRANSPORTATION HAZARDS

As mentioned above, various hazardous chemicals are being transported through out the district. With heavy transportation activity within the district, the potential for accidents also increases correspondingly. Accidents scenarios have been visualized for major hazardous chemicals passing through the district and the details are given below. This table

provides likely scenario, chemical involved, its quantity and expected area of exposure. As transport emergency can happen anywhere in the district, the area and population likely to get affected will depend on the location and prevalent meteorological conditions in the area.

Table: 5.1
Transport Accident Scenario

Sr. No	Transport Accident Scenario	Area Likely to be Affected
1	Failure of Chlorine tonner	1 to 1.4 km downwind
2	Failure of acid / alkali tanker	Immediate surrounding and burns to person coming in direct contact with the substance.
3	Ammonia leak from cylinder	Varying, depending on the capacity of the cylinder but not more than 1 km.
4	Ammonia leak from a tanker	Upto 3 km down wind.
5	Escape of explosive gases from cylinder followed by explosion	Explosion may cause over pressure upto 50 m for a short duration. However, pieces of damaged cylinder may travel upto 100 m from the accident site.
6	LPG leak from tanker followed by fire / explosion	Thermal radiation and over pressure effects will be upto 200 m for short duration. BLEVE may result first degree burns upto 150 m and also cause secondary fires depending on the location of occurrence.
7	Spill / leak of flammable petroleum products followed by fire	Thermal radiation effects of unconfined pool fire will be felt upto 25 m from the pool edge for the duration of fire.
8	Spill leak of CS ₂ followed by fire in a road tanker	Thermal radiation effects of unconfined pool fire will be felt upto 30 m from the pool for the duration of fire. Burning of CS ₂ results in formation of toxic sulphur dioxide effects of which may be felt up to a distance of 2 km from the accident site
9	Spill / leak of solvents and other flammable chemicals such as toluene, methanol, benzene and xylene	Thermal radiation effects of unconfined pool fire will be felt up to 15 m from the pool edge for the duration of fire

	followed by fire	
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Other items that will have bearing on the extent of damage are :-

- Rate of chemicals release – lower rates pose lesser risks. As per the guidelines of the Ministry of Environment of Forest (MoEF), we have considered catastrophic failure of container. However, it seldom happens in actual incidents and the material escapes from the container at a much lesser rate.
- Location high population density – unfavorable
- First response by the driver, if possible – favorable
- Prompt action by response agencies – favorable

5.5 ANALYSIS OF ACCIDENT SCENARIOS

Possibility of fire / explosion / toxic release during transportation exists anywhere in the district because large number of hazardous chemicals are transported through out the district.

If the vehicle carrying the hazardous chemical meets with a serious accident, there is likelihood of release of chemical to the atmosphere. Such chemicals may also get released during transportation due to damaged container; however, such possibility is rather remote. In both the events, consequences and extent of damage will vary considerably with location. Typical damage distance incase of catastrophic failure of container of hazardous chemical during transportation would vary with the type of chemical being transported. If it happens in highly populated area, it could seriously affect population in surrounding area. However, a quick emergency response can reduce the damage to a large extent.

Immediate emergency response would be required to contain the damage, rescue the trapped / injured people, provide medical help to the affected population, evacuate the affected / threatened areas, control of traffic and curious on lookers etc.

5.6 CHAIN OF EVENTS

Chain of events will be initially in case of a transport accident as discussed below:-

If the driver of the vehicle is safe and is trained to handle transport emergency (he is supposed to received basic training and carry TREMCARD – Transport Emergency Card., which gives do's and don'ts

during such situation specifically for the chemical being transported), he can be instrumental in providing immediate initial response. He can help in :-

- Conveying the accurate information to the authorities.
- By keeping the onlookers away by shouting at them that this is a hazardous chemical and they should not come near the truck. Further, he can instruct to keep away all sources of ignition.
- By seeking help from other truck drivers in controlling the crowd and communicating with people in downwind direction so that they move away from gas cloud.

5.7 NOTIFICATION TO OFFSITE AUTHORITIES

Initial reporting of accident could be either by driver / cleaner / any passer by who observes the accident. Therefore, it is more important for the person on duty at control room to extract as much information as possible. As suggested in the case of accident at Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units, here also a format can be developed for transport accidents and kept at PCR so that Officer In-charge can promptly ask questions and record information. He would ask the caller to:-

- Identify himself.
- Give details of accident (fire / gas leak).
- Give location of the accident (as exactly as possible).

Incase the caller is driver or cleaner of the subject vehicle, he should also ask him to:-

- Give name and quantity of chemical transported.
- Give source, destination and name of the transporter.

It will be useful to ask the source (i.e. name of the unit and location from where the product is sent) and destination (i.e. name of the unit and location from where the products is being sent) as this will help in calling the unit's representatives (if located nearby) also, who are generally aware about the nature of the chemicals and are trained in controlling leaks, transferring the leaking chemical to other container, neutralizing the chemicals etc.

5.8 NOTIFICATION TO RESPONSE ORGANIZATIONS

Action: Departmental Officer Manning the District Collector Control Room (DCCR)

On receipt of call, he will:

- Make sure that information is received at the police and fire stations, which are nearest to the incident site.
- Inform the three first responders i.e. police, fire and medical department by calling their chiefs / alternatives (in case chief is not reachable) as per the list of District Crisis Group (DCG) members available with him.
- Inform District Collector and all other member of DCG.
- As soon as he receives, further information after making the first call, he will convey that also in the same order.

5.9 RESPONSE BY POLICE, FIRE AND MEDICAL DEPARTMENTS

On receipt of information about offsite emergency, first responders will immediately deploy first batch of response teams from a location nearest to the incident site. They will further reinforce, if required, their teams by deploying additional resources from surrounding areas so that effective (based on their assessment of first information received) first response can be rendered at site. In the meantime they will keep additional resources in terms of manpower and equipment on high alert to move to incident site. On getting feedback from their response teams (who would have by then assessed the situation) they will take decision on movement of more teams. Once the assessed deployment is made, chiefs may also move to site for better operational control.

The officer of the first agency (police or fire) to reach the accident site would take charge as incident controller He will :-

- Cordon off at-least 100 m of the area surrounding the leaking toner.
- Notify / warn people in the downwind direction to evacuate the area and move in the cross wind direction.
- Control traffic and curious onlookers at the incident site.
- Inform traffic control room to diver traffic coming on the highway and only allow vehicles belonging to emergency response agencies such as fire, medical, red-cross, technical experts etc.

If the personnel of the fire department are the first one to reach the site, they will simultaneously perform the following functions:-

- With appropriate Personal Protective Equipments (PPEs), the fire team personnel will roll the toner (in case of chlorine toner damage) so that the defective / leaking valve is on the upper side. This will prevent the outflow

of aerosol from the toner and only gas will come out. In other cases, appropriate action depending upon the situation, will be taken by them. However, if they are not sure, they should wait for inputs from technical experts.

(In case of flammable material):-

- With the help of fire hose, from a water curtain in the downwind direction, so that chlorine / other toxic gases get dissolved and vapor hazard is minimized.
- Attempt to tighten the defective valve to prevent gas leak, if this does not work, try to stop the leak with the equipment available in the chlorine kit.
- With fire suits on, the fire team personnel will, if possible, try bunding the surrounding area. This will prevent the spread the material.
- Inform nearby people / shops to extinguish cigarettes, bhattis or any other source of ignition as the fire may flash back to the tanker if vapors come in contact with an ignition source.
- Attempt to straighten the vehicle, if possible, by typing and pulling by another vehicle such as recovery crane etc.
- Initiate fire fighting measures if the vehicle is on fire.

The off-site emergency response is initiated by the above procedure and will involve specific response functions as discussed earlier in Chapter 2 and 3. However the scale of response for communications, fire medical, evacuation, rescue and public works personnel may be smaller in this case. In addition to the responsibilities described in Chapter 2 & 3, certain activities specific to transport emergencies are given in subsequent paragraphs.

5.10 TECHNICAL COORDINATOR

Formulation of Response Strategy

There are potential accident scenarios in which the risks associated with certain types of response activities may exceed any benefits to be realized, thus providing ample reason to only undertake protective and containment actions from a safe distance until the situation has stabilized or expert assistance has been obtained. General examples of situations in which the best course of action may be to hold back from a direct “attack” include:-

- When a major release takes place that poses unknown hazards or hazards for which response personnel are not equipped or prepared.
- When a flammable gas or liquid is on fire and extinguishing could lead to release of toxic or flammable vapors or gases and possibly, explosive re-ignition.

- When there are no endangered persons or structures nearby and the containers and / or hazardous materials present significant hazards to response personnel.
- When the addition of water to a fire may serve to spread highly toxic contaminants into the environment, thus causing a pollution problem that may cost much more to resolve than the value of the burning materials, vehicles or buildings.

5.11 SAFETY COORDINATION

Containment of Spills of Liquids or Solids on Land

The first step in spill response when a liquid or solid has been discharged onto a land surface is to contain the spilled material and to prevent the further spread of contamination. Although specialized equipment has been developed to construct dikes of foamed concrete or plastic materials, the most widely available and generally adequate substances to use are earth, sand, clay and plastic or rubber sheeting. Local safety coordinator and his combat team in association with the specialized personnel and equipment from the municipal corporation shall be responsible for containing the unconfined spill or liquid or solids at the incident site.

Dikes or barriers of earth, sand or clay materials can be quickly constructed with bulldozers, similar equipment or properly equipped individuals with shovels. It is necessary to consider that motorized equipment should not be used indiscriminately in the vicinity of flammable or explosive vapors or gases. Local materials coordinator shall supply the necessary protective clothing and breathing apparatus to response personnel who may need to approach a spill.

Plastic or rubber sheeting can be used to cover spilled solids. This can prevent the wind from causing toxic dusts to become airborne and also protect the bulk of the solid from becoming wet from aid or hose streams used in the area, thus reducing the extent or possibility of soil, groundwater or surface water contamination by the spilled substance. Such sheeting can also be useful for lining dikes, basins, and trenches for similar purposes where liquids are to be contained. Finally, sheeting materials, together with stones or bricks and soil, sand or clay, can be used to cover storm drain openings in a pinch.

When hazardous materials have already entered a storm drain system, there are benefits to attempting to limit or contain the flow of the materials by damming at strategic locations. Since storm drainage systems typically

flow into bodies of surface water, containment might prevent significant water pollution and facilitate later cleanup. However, it is to be noted that volatile chemicals (such as CS₂) should never be trapped in a closed conduit such as a storm drain, primarily due to the possibility that explosive vapor may accumulate and encounter a source or ignition. Thus, judgments on damming must be made on a case by case basis by the safety / technical coordinator with special attention being given to cases in which containment's may enter a water treatment plant.

5.12 FIRE SERVICE COORDINATOR

Spill Control

Where a tank vehicle is losing liquid cargo, it may be worth while to have the means available to turn the body of the vehicle or container over such that the point of leakage rises. This will lessen the total amount of cargo than can escape before the liquid level in the tank drops below the height of the hole. This is especially true in vessels having volatile liquids or liquefied gases such as chlorine. The rolling over of the vessel will facilitate reduction of the outflow of the contents. Be advised, however, that this may require special equipment, trained personnel and expert supervision for a safe outcome.

Various types of transportation containers have internal emergency shutoff valves that can reduce or stop outflow from external valves that have been damaged in an accident. Knowledge of the standard placement and use of these valves can be invaluable, most particularly for highway tank vehicles. Driver and cleaners of vehicle carrying hazardous substances will be instructed and trained in these aspects by the safety coordinator.

Special Fire-fighting Equipment and Materials

Public fire departments primarily rely upon water for fire control, but are well aware that water can be ineffective on some types of fires and may actually be counterproductive or dangerous for use in other cases. This list of chemicals on which water SHOULD NOT be used is given below :-

1	Acetyl Bromide	2	Acetyl Chloride
3	Aluminum Chloride	4	Calcium
5	Calcium Oxide	6	Diborane
7	Dimethyl Sulphate	8	Lithium
9	Phosphorus Oxychloride	10	Phosphorus Trichloride
11	Potassium	12	Hydrogen Peroxide

13	Potassium Hydroxide	14	Rubidium
15	Sodium	16	Sodium Amide
17	Sodium Hydride	18	Sodium Hydroxide (Flakes)
19	Sodium Peroxide	20	Sulphur Chloride

Since water is usually adequate for most large fires encountered, fire departments rarely stock more than a limited number of portable dry chemical or carbon dioxide extinguishers and possibly a small amount of foam concentrate. These supplies of auxiliary agents available with the services may not be adequate for major chemicals or petroleum product fires.

5.13 PUBLIC WORKS COORDINATOR

Cleanup of Spills of Liquids or Solids on Land.

Once a spilled substance has been contained, the next step is to remove it from the environment. The effort is often undertaken by the supplier of the chemical or a spill cleanup contractor it may hire, but Local, District and State Governments should have a capability to respond when the responsible party is unknown or is unprepared or unwilling to take action and circumstances do not permit waiting for govt. intervention. Such situations are generally encountered during transport emergencies.

The methods usually applied for “gross” cleanup of contaminated ground surfaces are rather straightforward. They involve :-

- Use of contaminated pumps, hoses and tanks, drums or vacuum trucks to collect pools of accumulated liquids.
- Use of soil, sand, clay, straw sawdust, fly ash, cement powder, perlite, vermiculite or commercially available mineral or plastic absorbent materials to absorb and mop up liquid residues, and
- Removal of contaminated surface layers (where cleaning in place is not practical) by shovels or mechanical means.

In all cases, suppliers and equipment used must be compatible with the hazardous material spilled, workers must be protected from toxic exposures and special care must be taken in the presence of potentially flammable or explosive atmospheres.

Other current cleanup techniques include steam cleaning or detergent washing of solid surface where hydrocarbons or similar materials have

spilled, burning of flammable or combustible materials in place where it is safe to do so and permitted by regulatory authorities.

The responsibility of cleanup lies with the public works coordinator who shall undertake cleanup operations based on the instructions from the DCG. Local safety and material coordinator shall provide him with backup support of men and material. It is desirable to keep plastic sheets, absorbent material etc. at the local command posts.

5.14 TABLE OF INITIAL ISOLATION AND PROTECTIVE ACTION DISTANCES

1. The table of initial isolation & protective action distances suggest distance useful to protect people from vapor resulting from spill involving dangerous chemical which are considered poisons / toxic by inhalation. Distances show areas likely to be affected during the first 30 minutes after material are spilled and could increase with time.

The initial isolation zone defines an area surrounding the incident in which persons may be exposed to dangerous (up wind) and life threatening (down wind) concentrating of material. The protective action zone defines an area down wind from the incident in which persons may become incapacitated and unable to take protective action and or incur serious or irreversible health effects. The table provides specific guidance for small and large spills occurring day or night. Table of initial isolation & protective action distance.

Sr. No	Chemical Name	Small Spills		Large Spills			
		First isolate in all direction (mtr)	Then protect persons in down wind during	First isolate in all direction (meter)		Then protect persons down wind during	
		Day	Night	Day (mtr)	Night (km)	Day (km)	Night (km)
1.	Liquid ammonia, anhydrous ammonia	30	0.2	95	0.3	-	0.8

2.	Ammonia solution with more than 50 % ammonia	30	0.2	60	0.2	0.2	0.3
39 b .	Chlorine	60	0.3	185	0.8	0.8	3.1
4.	Ethylene Oxide	60	0.2	125	0.3	0.3	1.0
5.	Hydro Cyanic acid	60	0.2	185	0.8	0.6	2.7
6.	Hydrogen Fluoride	60	0.2	155	0.6	0.5	2.3
7.	Hydrogen Chloride	60	0.2	155	0.5	0.5	1.8
8.	Fluorine	60	0.2	185	0.3	0.5	0.1
9.	LPG	90	0.2	120	0.3	0.5	1.0
10.	Naphtha / NGL	30	0.1	60	0.2	0.2	0.3
11.	Free SO ₃ /H ₂ SO ₄	60	0.2	185	0.8	0.6	2.9
12.	Bromine	60	0.3	215	1.0	0.8	3.5
13.	Ethyl Mercaptan	60	0.2	125	0.5	0.3	1.3
14.	Benzene	80	0.1	100	0.3	0.2	0.6
15.	CNG	95	0.3	245	1.3	1.1	4.8
16.	HN ₃	60	0.2	155	0.5	0.5	0.8

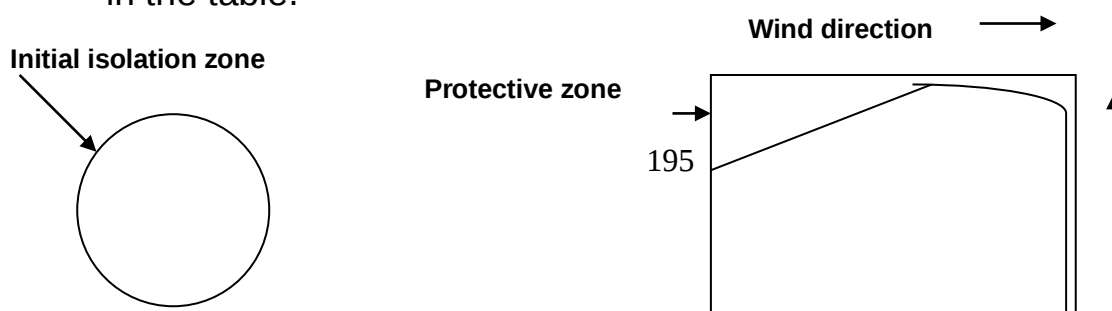
Transport Emergencies: - Isolation / Evacuation Distances

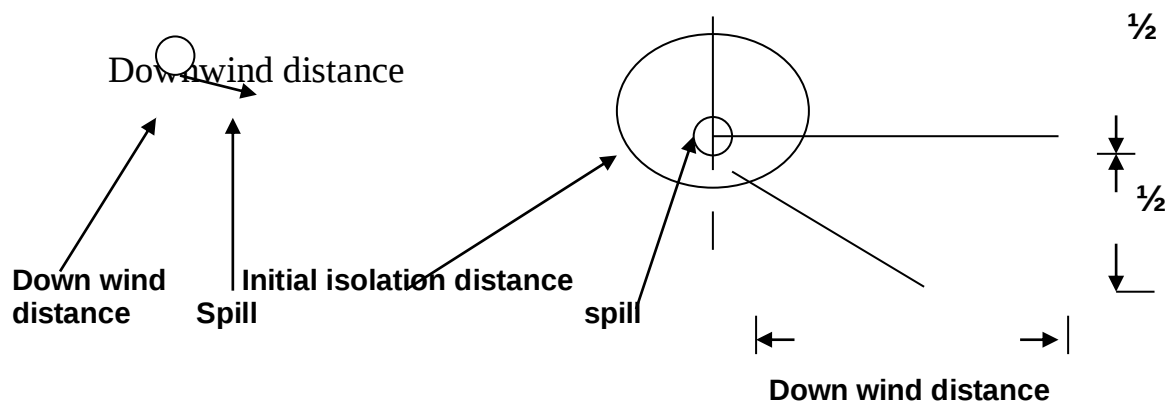
Chemical	Transport Emergency Guide No.	Evacuation Distances (m)			
		Small Spill	Large Spill		
			Initial Isolation	Plume Width	Plume Length
Acetaldehyde	6	-	-	-	-
Acrylonitrile	17	30	60	600	1000
Ammonia	1	30	60	600	1000
Butadiene	3	-	-	-	-
Carbon Disulphide	8	20	40	300	500

Chlorine	14	50	90	1100	1600
Chloroformates	11	-	-	-	-
Chlorosulphuric acid	9	-	-	-	-
Dimethylamine	4	30	60	600	1000
Ethylene	5	-	-	-	-
Ethylene Oxide	13	30	60	600	800
Ethylamine	12	-	-	-	-
Hydrogen	5	-	-	-	-
Hydrogen Fluoride	1	50	100	800	1100
LPG	5	-	-	-	-
Mercaptans	8	-	-	-	-
Methylamine	4	40	70	800	1300
Nitrogen Dioxide	14	40	70	800	1300
Oleum / Sulphur Trioxide	9	90	180	2400	3500
Phosphorus Trichloride	9	40	80	800	1300
Propylene	5	-	-	-	-
Sodium	16	-	-	-	-
Sulphur Dioxide	2	40	80	1000	1400
Tert. Butyl Hydro Peroxide	10	-	-	-	-
Vinyl Acetate	6	-	-	-	-

How to use the table of initial isolation and protective action distance?

- (i) The responder
 - Identified the name of the chemical.
 - Read the guide for the chemical and taken the emergency action recommended.
 - Noted the wind direction.
- (ii) In determine if the incident involves a small or large spill and if day or night.
- (iii) Lookup the initial isolation distance from the table direct all persons to move in cross wind direction away from the spill to the distance specified in the table.





Look up the initial protective action distance from the table. The table gives the down wind distance in km. The protection action zone is square, whose length & width are the same as down wind distance shown in the table.

CHAPTER 6

POST EMERGENCY ACTIVITIES

Once the situation at the site is under control, the spill / leak has been plugged, fire has been extinguished, the emission of vapors to the atmosphere has been effectively checked and a SAFE signal has been passed its time for the follow up exercise. Various activities remain unfinished, the details of which are given below in order of priority.

6.1 STRUCTURAL INSPECTIONS AFTER FIRES OR EXPLOSIONS

Action: Technical Coordinator

A major explosion could damage or destroy numerous buildings and any nearby bridges or tunnels. Similarly large fires can have major effects over a vast area. In either case, residents of partially damaged buildings will want to know if the structures are safe to occupy while they await repairs. Questions pertaining to the safety of highway or railway bridges must be resolved quickly to avoid traffic complications.

It is important to note that inspection personnel may require special precautions (i.e., chemical protective gear) in addition to normal safety equipment in those cases where the structure may still be contaminated by hazardous residues.

Fire and safety coordinators shall be responsible for inspecting the structural integrity of damaged buildings, bridges, or other structures in the aftermath of a fire or explosion.

6.2 POST-INCIDENT TESTING FOR CONTAMINATION

Action : Safety Coordinator

To some extent, this item overlaps with monitoring of concentrations. However, activity in “Action Plan” covers sampling and analysis during the initial phases of a response action while this one is concerned with the potential for persistent aftereffects.

Personnel of the Gujarat Pollution Control Board shall undertake to check crops, water (ground & surface), homes, stored foods, and animals that may become part of the human food chain for possible chemical

contamination. Help may be sought from the industries having capabilities for monitoring/ testing of contaminant in the target items.

6.3 WASTE DISPOSAL

Action: Safety Coordinator

Where the unit responsible for a spill do not take appropriate action, it may become necessary for public authorities to undertake disposal of hazardous wastes. This requires knowledge of Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1989 (as amended in 2000) of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India. The location of approved and authorized disposal sites and the proper procedures for transporting and transferring wastes to these sites have also to be taken care of. Local authorities should seek assistance from the state department of environment. These departments will have considered such problems in their own state or regional emergency response plans. The items unfit for human consumption will also form part of the Hazardous waste, which needs to be disposed off in accordance with the above mentioned rules.

6.4 CLEANUP OF DEAD OR CONTAMINATED LIVESTOCK OR WILDLIFE

Action : Public Works Coordinator / Medical Coordinator

Contaminated animals must be sent to veterinary hospital for decontamination & treatment. A large number of animal carcasses be they hundreds of cows or chickens or thousands of fish can pose a variety of health hazards. Emergency response plans do not typically address this topic, possibly because it is somewhat distasteful, but the topic is worthy of consideration during the planning process where applicable. Where oil spills may contaminate waterfowl, consideration might be given to the formation of work crews to collect, clean, and care for the animals under the direction of experienced personnel. State and local public works agencies can provide assistance in planning for this activity. Local veterinarians and animal conservation groups may also be helpful, but in all cases, it is the responsibility of medical coordinator to ensure that personnel will not be placed at risk of adverse safety or health impacts by their actions.

6.5 PROVISION OF ALTERNATE WATER SUPPLIES

Action : Utilities / Transport Coordinator

There are a number of circumstances under which a potable water supply may become unfit for human consumption for a time and require replacement. This is most commonly accomplished by bringing in supplies of bottled water and/or tankers/trailers capable of carrying water. The latter are available from local Municipal Corporation. Tankers carrying milk are another possibility for consideration once thoroughly cleaned. It is the responsibility of transport coordinator in association with the Social workers for arranging potable water for consumption of personnel engaged at the incident site. The potential sources of potable water are wells of water intake point of river, and ground water from neighboring villages / towns / agricultural areas where possibility of ground water pollution due to spillage of contaminants is minimal.

6.6 RE-ENTRY INTO EVACUATED AREAS

Action : Members of District Crisis Group (DCG)

Based on the assessment of the situation at the site, the DCG would take decision on the termination of emergency. Before this, however, several issues need to be resolved by the members of Local Crisis Group (LCG). Re-entry being again as complex as the evacuation operation, would require the respective coordinators to perform their functions such as transportation of evacuees back to their respective residential areas, restoration of electricity, gas, water supplies, post-accident monitoring of concentration, etc. The issues / activities thus required are listed at [Table - 6.1](#) in order of priority. However, as some of these are parallel activities, the decision should be taken based on actual site conditions.

The activities listed below are only those, which are essential for return of the normalcy. However, as the last item suggests, regular training to all sections of the society is also of equal importance.

6.7 SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER PUBLIC LIABILITIES INSURANCE ACT,1991

The Collector under whose jurisdiction the accident, resulting in loss of life or injury to a person or damage to property has occurred shall issue a notification to that effect and invite applications for claim of damages or

compensation under sub section (1) of Section 6 of the Public Liabilities Insurance Act, 1991.

6.8 RESPONSIBILITIES OF OTHER STATUTORY AUTHORITIES

The designated authorities under various statutes like Indian Boiler Act, Factories Act, E.P. Act, Explosive Act, Static and Mobile Pressure Vessels Act etc. shall perform post emergency activities prescribed and also as directed by District Collector under Gujarat State Disaster Management Act, 2003.

Table - 6.1
Post Emergency Activities

Activity	Responsibility
Check the industrial unit for possible secondary effect of delayed relapse.	Technical Experts
Provide notification at the shelters of termination of emergency	Communications Coordinator
Restoration of water, electricity & gas supplies	Utilities Coordinator
Arrange for transportation of evacuees back to residence	Transportation Coordinator
Restoration of law and order in the affected areas	Security Coordinator
Establish grievance cell	Liaison & PR Coordinator & Chairperson of Local Crisis Group
Hold press conference	Public Relations Coordinator
Hold public meetings for answering their queries	PR Coordinator in Association with Officials of the concerned (MAH) unit
Arrange for providing interim relief to the affected people	District Collector
Undertake accident investigation & documentation	Technical Coordinator
Arrange further relief to the affected people based on claim applications	District Collector
Plan updating, if so required	District Crisis Group (DCG)