

### **Surat Municipal Corporation**

## DISASTER MANACEMENT & PREPAREDNESS PLAN

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SURAT: THE CITY THAT ALWAYS CARES

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#### PREFACE

Surat: The city located at 21°112'N 72°814'E on the coast of the Arabian Sea where the Tapti River (Tapi) passes from the middle of the city and various other creeks passes through southern part of the city which merges into the sea. Looking at the geographical location of the city, the city is prone to natural calamities like river/khadi flood, heavy rainfalls and cyclones. Keeping the motto "Surat: The city that always cares" in mind, Surat Municipal Corporation has contributed to the development of the city by providing not only the basic amenities but also the best in class infrastructure and services.

Along with the development of the city, the population of the city has also increased. With the increase in population there are possibilities of calamities and outbreak of disease. The impact of Global Warming and Climate Change can also contribute or cause disaster.

Considering the ideology of "**Precaution is better than cure**", Surat MunicipalCorporation is publishing the Disaster Management & Preparedness Plan since 2002. Disaster Management Plan of SMC consists of the guidelines and action plan for the activities to be carried out before, during and after the disaster covering various activities like rescue and relief work including relocating and rehabilitation. The aim of preparing the disaster management and preparedness plan is to reduce the response time in the event of any disaster. Such measures can help avoid human loss and reduce damages to properties. The DMP is updated with latest information every year.

This Disaster Management and Preparedness Plan also includes advanced planning and preventive measures in the event of human calamities and outbreak of diseases. The plan contains information regarding the DO's and DON'Ts as a part of precautionary measures and information regarding first aid treatment for various disasters. The DMP also enlists the roles and responsibilities of employees/officers in case of disaster. Necessary training has been provided to the concern in this regard. Meetings and trainings area also organized with a view to increase people participation and to make them aware about the precautionary steps to be taken. Zone level and ward level disaster management plan is also prepared considering the decentralized administration.

We hope that this planning serves its purpose for the city.

We welcome your sincere suggestions to update this Disaster Management Plan.

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