INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION 2024 PROGRAMME REPORT DDMA KOZHIKODE

As the world celebrates the International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction (IDDRR) on October 13, 2024, Kozhikode District in Kerala, India, reaffirms its commitment to Disaster risk reduction and management. The DRR Day was indeed celebrated at the Conference Hall of the Kozhikode District Planning Office on October 18th 2024 at 10 am organized by Kerala State Disaster Management Authority & District Disaster Management Authority, Kozhikode. The DRR Day program organized by KSDMA this year honored Aapda Mitra volunteers across all districts, conferring the prestigious Badge of Honor and appreciation certificates to 10 exemplary individuals, while the remaining volunteers were acknowledged with appreciation certificates for their disaster risk reduction efforts. The certificates were distributed by the District Collector, Sub Collector, Assistant Collector, LR Deputy Collector, Election Deputy Collector, RR Deputy Collector, Disaster Management Deputy Collector and District Fire Officer. About 300 Aapda Mithra Volunteers attended the program. This event aligns with the global IDDRR focusing on the theme "The Role of Education in Protecting and Empowering Youth for a Disaster-Free Future". Aapda Mitra, comprises over 4,500 trained volunteers across Kerala who are pivotal in Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) efforts. This focus is particularly relevant for Kerala, where the Aapda Mitra volunteers play a crucial role in disaster preparedness and response. Aapda Mitra serves as a model for integrating youth into DRR strategies.

Mrs. Anitha Kumari E, the Deputy Collector of Disaster Management, Kozhikode delivered the welcome speech at IDRR Day Celebration. Mr. Ashraf Ali, District Fire Officer, Kozhikode delivered the presidential address, highlighting the importance of collective efforts in disaster risk reduction and shared valuable insights on Aapda Mitra volunteers' work and background. Snehil Kumar Singh IAS, the District Collector, Kozhikode inaugurated the event. The event also featured felicitations from esteemed dignitaries including Harshil R Mena IAS Sub Collector Kozhikode, Ayush Goyal IAS Assistant Collector Kozhikode, Mr. Purushothaman Deputy Collecor (LR) Kozhikode, Mrs. Sheethal G Mohan KAS, Deputy Collector Election, Kozhikode and Mrs. Hima K Deputy Collector (RR), Kozhikode District.

10 dedicated volunteers were honored with the Badge of Honour and Apperciation Certificates. ReThe recipients of the Badge of Honour and Certificates were

Sl. No	Name	Fire & Rescue Station
1	Shri. Shameer MV	Vellimadukunnu
2	Shri Vineeth CP	Vellimadukunnu
3	Shri Akshay N	Kozhikode
4	Shri Sreejith OP	Nadapuram
5	Shri Athul KM	Narikuni
6	Smt. Greeshma KJ	Mukkam
7	Shri. Vijesh MTK	Vadakara
8	Shri Shiju M	Meenchanda
9	Shri Shiju M	Perambra
10	Shri Nidheesh PK	Koyilandy









IDDRR DAY 2024 CELEBRATION

Date & Venue: 18th October 2024 @ District Planning Office Conference Hall
Organised by Kerala State Disaster Management Authority & District Disaster Management Authority Kozhikode
Theme: "The Role of Education in Protecting and Empowering Youth for a
Disaster-Free Future"

Badge of Honor to the top 10 Aapda Mitra Volunteers of Kozhikode District





In addition to this a half day capacity building program conducted at Government Model Higher Seccondary School on 15th October 2024. About 150 students attended the training program. The session on disaster management was handled by Smt. Aswathi P, Hazard Analyst Kozhiokode and fire and safety session handled by Fire and Rescue Services Station Officer, Kozhikode Beach.



