



KERALA STATE DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY – EVENT REPORT - 06/12/2025

FIELD	DETAILS
Event Name	International Conference-NOVARE 2025 Panel Discussion Theme: <i>From Preparedness to Resilience: Integrating Social Work in Global Disaster Management</i>
Event Date	06.12.2025
Duration of the Event	2hrs
Event Venue	St.Alberts College(Autonomous), Ernakulam
Conducted / Organised by	Department of Social Work, St.Alberts College(Autonomous), Ernakulam
Details of the Event	<p>Moderated the panel discussion on the Theme: <i>From Preparedness to Resilience: Integrating Social Work in Global Disaster Management</i> at the international Conference -NOVARE 2025 conducted by the Social Work Department of St.Alberts college, Ernakulam as part of Albertian Knowledge Summit on 06 December 2025. The program marked participation of Social work students from various universities across the world.</p> <p><u>Expert Panelists:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Mr.Joe John George(DRR Consultant, UNICEF India) 2) Dr.Karunakaran Akhil Dev(DRM & Mitigation Specialist, Govt. of Karnataka) <p>Moderator: Dessy Davis(Hazard Analyst, KSDMA)</p> <p>The expert panelists discussed the role of social workers in Disaster Management, Contribution of social workers to disaster management globally and the Indian context, various initiatives of social Inclusions from Kerala. The Q & A session at the end of the panel discussion proved the enthusiasm of the students in disaster management.</p>
Total Number of Participants	100



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Number of Females	43
Number of Males	57
Number of Others (Non-binary / Transgender)	-
Number of Children (below 18 years)	-
Role Played by the Officer(s)	Moderator for the Panel Discussion as nominated by KSDMA - Ms.Dessy Davis, Hazard Analyst, KSDMA.
Output from the Event	The participants gained insights on the role of Social Workers in Disaster Management, Contribution of Social workers in ensuring inclusiveness in disaster management and the necessity of social workers in building resilient communities and ensuring Disaster Risk Reduction.
Sendai Framework Priority Addressed	<p>Priority 1: Understanding Disaster Risk</p> <p>Priority 2: Strengthening disaster risk governance to manage disaster risk</p> <p>Priority 3: Investing in Disaster Risk Reduction for Resilience</p>
PM's 10-Point Agenda – Point Number(s)	<p>Point 1: All development sectors must imbibe the principles of disaster risk management.</p> <p>Point 6: Develop a network of universities to work on disaster-related issues</p> <p>Point 8: Build on local capacity and initiative to enhance disaster risk reduction</p>
SDG Goal(s) Aligned	<p>Goal 10: Reduce inequalities</p> <p>Goal 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities</p> <p>Goal 13; Climate Action</p> <p>Goal 16: Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions</p>



Goal 17: Partnership for the goals



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Integrating Social Work in Global Disaster Management**



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