



Event Name	Training Program – Disaster Management -ERT Members
Event Date	26-05-2026
Event Venue	Panchayat Training Hall
Details of the Event	<p>As part of the ongoing Living Lab initiatives, Kanichar Grama Panchayath, in collaboration with the Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA), District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) – Kannur, conducted a one-day training program on 26th May 2026. The training, held at the Kanichar Panchayath Training Hall, was aimed at Panchayath representatives, ERT members, Kudumbasree members, ASHA’s objective of strengthening community preparedness and enhancing local response capacity during the monsoon season. The training was designed to equip ERT members with the knowledge, skills, and practical understanding required to effectively support disaster preparedness, response, and relief activities within the Panchayat.</p> <p>The training covered various aspects of monsoon preparedness, including potential hazards associated with heavy rainfall, flooding, landslides, strong winds, and other monsoon-related emergencies. Participants were briefed on the importance of preparedness measures at the household and community levels, evacuation procedures, relief camp management, and the precautions to be taken before, during, and after disaster events. Detailed information was also provided regarding the establishment and management of relief camps, ensuring the safety and well-being of affected populations, and coordinating with government departments and emergency services during emergencies.</p> <p>A major component of the training focused on the structure of the Emergency Response Team and the specific roles and responsibilities of different ERT groups. The session emphasized the importance of teamwork, effective communication, and timely response in reducing disaster impacts and protecting lives.</p> <p>The resource persons introduced various emergency response and rescue equipment commonly used during disaster situations, including chainsaws, ropes, crowbars, gumboots, pickaxes, helmets, and other safety gear. Detailed demonstrations were conducted to familiarize participants with the safe handling, operation, and maintenance of these tools. Practical sessions enabled participants to understand the appropriate use of each tool in different emergency scenarios, particularly those related to monsoon-induced disasters.</p>

Special emphasis was given to rope rescue techniques, where participants received hands-on training in the proper use of ropes for rescue and evacuation operations. Different types of knots and their practical applications were demonstrated, and participants were provided opportunities to practice knot-tying techniques under the guidance of the trainers. These practical exercises helped improve participants' confidence and preparedness for emergencies requiring rescue and evacuation support.

The training significantly enhanced the capacity of ERT members by providing both theoretical knowledge and practical skills, thereby strengthening the Panchayat's overall disaster preparedness and response mechanism for the monsoon season.

Number of Females 36

Number of males 25

Number of transgenders -

Number of Children's -

Resource Persons Nithin K (KSDMA), Anith V, Robin T.J

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