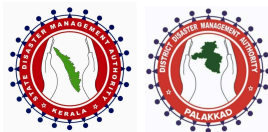




KERALA STATE DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY - EVENT REPORT (04/07/2026)

Discussion on Disaster Mitigation and Disaster Risk Reduction

FIELD	DETAILS
Event Name	Discussion on Disaster Mitigation and Disaster Risk Reduction
Event Date	04/07/2026
Duration of the Event	2 hours
Event Venue	Malampuzha Grama Panchayat Office
Conducted / Organised by	District Disaster Management Authority, Palakkad
Details of the Event	A discussion on Disaster Mitigation and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) was conducted at Malampuzha Grama Panchayat under the chairmanship of the Grama Panchayat Secretary. The meeting assessed the progress of disaster management initiatives being implemented at the local level and discussed strategies to strengthen disaster resilience through improved planning, preparedness, and inter-departmental coordination. The meeting emphasized the need for the periodic revision and updating of the Local Self Government Disaster Management Plan (LSG DM Plan) by incorporating the latest hazard profile, vulnerability assessment, available resources, institutional responsibilities, and response mechanisms. The Panchayat resolved to expedite the plan revision process to ensure that it reflects the current disaster risk scenario and aligns with state guidelines. The status of disaster management-related projects submitted to the District Planning Committee (DPC) was reviewed. Discussions also focused on identifying additional Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and climate-resilient development projects that could be incorporated during the revision of the Annual Plan, ensuring greater integration of disaster resilience into local development planning.



	The meeting examined opportunities for the effective utilization of funds available under the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and discussed disaster mitigation activities that could be implemented in accordance with the guidelines prescribed in the Orange Book. Considering the increasing occurrence of extreme heat events, the Panchayat decided to initiate the preparation of a Local Heat Action Plan (LHAP). Discussions included potential heat mitigation measures, preparedness activities, awareness programmes, and institutional arrangements that could be implemented at the local level to reduce heat-related risks. The recent increase in drowning incidents within the Panchayat limits was discussed in detail. The meeting stressed the need to install warning signboards near water bodies, identify high-risk locations, strengthen public awareness campaigns, and enhance coordinated interventions among the concerned departments to prevent drowning accidents. The present condition of the Parachathi tribal hamlet was also reviewed with particular emphasis on disaster risks, safety concerns, and infrastructure requirements. The meeting recommended initiating appropriate follow-up actions to improve public safety and strengthen disaster preparedness in the area. In addition, various other disaster management issues and challenges faced by the Grama Panchayat were discussed, and suitable measures for improving institutional preparedness and disaster risk reduction were deliberated.
Total Number of Participants	05
Number of Females	02
Number of Males	03
Number of Others (Non-binary / Transgender)	00
Number of Children (below 18 years)	00



Role Played by the Officer(s)	Ms. Asha V K Menon (LSG DM Plan Coordinator) - Organiser
Output from the Event	- Reviewed the implementation status of the Local Self Government Disaster Management Plan and initiated actions for its timely revision. - Strengthened institutional understanding of Disaster Risk Reduction and disaster-resilient development planning. - Identified disaster mitigation projects for inclusion in the Annual Plan revision and reviewed the progress of projects submitted to the District Planning Committee. - Enhanced awareness on effective utilization of SDRF funds in accordance with the Orange Book guidelines. - Decided to prepare a Local Heat Action Plan to address increasing heatwave risks. - Recommended preventive measures to reduce drowning incidents through improved infrastructure, awareness, and inter-departmental coordination. - Identified priority actions to improve disaster preparedness and public safety in the Parachathi Hills area. - Strengthened coordination among Panchayat officials for implementing disaster risk reduction initiatives at the local level.
Sendai Framework Priority Addressed	SF1, SF2, SF3, SF4
PM's 10-Point Agenda – Point Number(s)	PM1, PM2, PM3, PM4, PM5, PM7, PM8, PM9
SDG Goal(s) Aligned	SDG3, SDG6, SDG11, SDG13, SDG15, SDG16, SDG17
Photo/Video/Media Links	

