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# Report on Activities conducted in Disaster Management by Govt. Degree College Handwara, 2024

## 1. Mock Drill on Earthquake Preparedness and Response – $7^{\rm th}$ September 2024

Objective: To provide hands-on training in earthquake preparedness and response.

Activity Overview: A mock earthquake drill was organized on the college premises to simulate a real-life earthquake scenario. The drill was designed to help participants practice evacuation procedures, understand safety measures and efficiently respond to emergencies.

#### Key Activities:

- Practicing evacuation procedures in a simulated earthquake scenario.
- Understanding safety measures, such as recognizing early warning signs and taking shelter.
- Training on how to evacuate calmly and safely to designated safe areas.

The mock drill successfully demonstrated the importance of preparedness and allowed participants to experience first-hand how to act during an earthquake. This event was crucial in strengthening the disaster response skills of students and staff, reinforcing the significance of being prepared for any emergency.

### 2. International Day on Disaster Risk Reduction - 14th October 2024

GDC Handwara also organized a comprehensive awareness and training program on the occasion of the **International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024**. The event aimed to enhance the understanding and preparedness of students and faculty in dealing with various disaster situations.

Objective: To highlight the role of education in disaster preparedness and risk reduction.

The key highlight of the event was a live demonstration conducted by the State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) & Civil Defence of Kupwara. The session was headed by ASI Mr. Habibullah, along with Instructor Mr. Mohammad Sarver and their expert team. They provided a practical insight into disaster management strategies, showcasing various techniques essential for effective emergency response.

#### **Key Activities:**

- a) Early Warning Systems and Communication Strategies: The team illustrated the practical application of early warning systems and methods to maintain communication during disaster scenarios.
- b) Advanced Rescue Techniques: The audience was educated on modern rescue operations using specialized tools and equipment.
- c) Earthquake Preparedness and Response: The team demonstrated essential measures to be taken before and after an earthquake, ensuring awareness of immediate actions to minimize risks.
- d) Disaster Rescue Operations: A detailed demonstration of stepwise disaster rescue techniques was conducted, emphasizing the importance of coordinated response.

- e) Evacuation Procedures: The participants were shown the correct methods for safely evacuating individuals from damaged buildings, ensuring the safety of both rescuers and victims.
- f) First Aid Training: The team provided a hands-on demonstration of administering first aid to injured individuals in disaster-hit areas.

The session was attended by a large audience, including students, faculty members and administrative staff, all of whom gained valuable insights into disaster preparedness and response mechanisms.

## Photoegraphs Taken during the mock Drill on Earthquake Preparedness and Response









# Photographs taken during the observance of International Day on Disaster Risk Reduction







