



**DEMEx Preparatory Workshop  
Hospital Safety, Mass Casualty Management  
and Hospital DM Plans  
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## Why: The context of Delhi

- Multi-hazard Profile
- Strategic Importance
- Speed of development and urbanization
- Availability of Resources
- **Safest Bet - Quotient of Risk Resilience amongst stakeholders – through Capacity Building**

## Questions from Health Facility administrators

- Are our Hospital Buildings Safe?
- What can be done to reduce predominant HAZARD Risk in existing Hospital buildings?
- How safe are our equipments/ Components?
- Does the building need retrofitting? What performance?
- How do we increase our capacity for effectively responding to emergencies involving mass casualties?

## How....

- Protect the lives of patients and health workers by ensuring the **structural resilience of health facilities**
- **Make sure health facilities and health services are able to function in the aftermath of emergencies** and disasters, when they are most needed; and
- **Improve the risk reduction capacity of health workers and institutions**, including emergency management

### Overarching Goal

- Health facilities are only truly safe from disasters when they are accessible and functioning, at maximum capacity, immediately after a hazard strikes.

### Outcome 1: Preparation and activation of hospital contingency plans

- All the major public and private hospitals in each of the 9 districts of Delhi prepare their respective **hospital contingency (Emergency Preparedness and Response) plans** in line with the standard considerations as placed in the national guidelines on medical preparedness and mass casualty management issued by NDMA (2007)
- These hospital contingency plans are to be duly validated
- The validated hospital contingency plans to be **authorized and notified**
- The hospitals **activate** their contingency plans

### Objectives of the workshop

- To develop a common understanding on the aspects of health sector preparedness for emergencies and hospital safety
- To strengthen SOPs on emergency medical response and mass casualty management
- To strengthen existing capacities for preparation and implementation of health and hospital DM plans