



## National Landslide Risk Mitigation Project | Uttarakhand | 29 Nov 2024

### Why in News?

Recently, a **High-Level Committee** chaired by the Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation has approved Rs 1,115.67 crore for [disaster mitigation](#) and **capacity-building projects in various states**.

### Key Points

- **About the Committee:**
  - The committee reviewed proposals to mitigate landslide risks in 15 states under the [National Disaster Mitigation Fund \(NDMF\)](#).
  - It also approved funding from [the National Disaster Response Fund \(NDRF\)](#) for training and capacity-building initiatives for Civil Defense volunteers across all states and union territories.
- **The National Landslide Risk Mitigation Project was approved for 15 states** at a total cost of Rs 1,000 crore.
  - State-wise allocations:
    - Uttarakhand: Rs 139 crore
    - Himachal Pradesh: Rs 139 crore
    - Eight North-East States: Rs 378 crore
    - Maharashtra: Rs 100 crore
    - Karnataka: Rs 72 crore
    - Kerala: Rs 72 crore
    - Tamil Nadu: Rs 50 crore
    - West Bengal: Rs 50 crore
- Training and Capacity Building of Civil Defense Volunteers was approved for all states and union territories with a total outlay of Rs 115.67 crore.
- **Previous Approvals by the Committee:**
  - **Urban Flood Risk Mitigation Projects:** [Urban flood](#) risk management projects were approved for seven cities with a total outlay of Rs 3,075.65 crore.
  - **GLOF (Glacial Lake Outburst Flood) Risk Management Projects:** [GLOF](#) was approved for four states at a total cost of Rs 150 crore under NDMF.

### National Disaster Relief Fund

- **National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF)** was renamed as National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) with the enactment of [the Disaster Management Act, 2005](#).
  - It is defined in Section 46 of the **Disaster Management Act, 2005**.
- It is managed by the **Central Government to meet the expenses for emergency response, relief and rehabilitation** due to any threatening disaster situation or disaster.
  - It supplements the **SDRF** in case of a disaster of a severe nature, provided adequate funds are not available in the SDRF.

### Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF)

- A glacial lake outburst flood (GLOF) is a type of catastrophic flood that occurs when the **dam containing a glacial lake fails**, releasing a large volume of water.

- This type of flood is **typically caused by rapid melting of glaciers or the buildup of water** in the lake due to heavy precipitation or the inflow of meltwater.
  - In February 2021, [Chamoli district in Uttarakhand witnessed flash floods](#) which are **suspected to have been caused by GLOFs**.

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