

## Programme Schedule

- Registration
- Reflection
- Welcome address and introducing the purpose of workshop – Shri V. Vignesh
- Lead paper presentation on role of panchayats in Disaster Management by Shri P. Rajan
- Experience sharing by DRR committee members, SHG leaders and PRI members
- Subgroup process and presentation
- Synthesis – Way forward and Concluding
- Resolution

## About ACEDRR

DHAN Foundation has established the Advanced Centre for Enabling Disaster Risk Reduction (ACEDRR) as one of the centers in Tata-Dhan Academy (TDA) Madurai. The ACEDRR will pool the existing knowledge and resources and distilling new methods, tools and techniques for integrating efficient disaster risk reduction and management systems to build institutional relationship between community mainstream institutions for the cause of disaster risk reduction.

## Date

September 24 , 2017 (Sunday )

## Venue

Thamukkam Grounds, Madurai, Tamil Nadu.

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# Workshop on Institutionalization of Disaster Risk Reduction Initiatives with Panchayat Governance: Status, Challenges and Way Forward

**Madurai Symposium 2017**

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Thamukkam ground, Madurai



## About Madurai Symposium 2017

The The Madurai Symposium is a biennial event organised by DHAN Foundation since 2003 to facilitate sharing of knowledge and experiences on development themes and interventions among various stakeholders of development – NGOs, government institutions, civil societies, financial institutions, academicians and researchers. This year, the eighth Madurai Symposium is scheduled from 20-24 September, 2017 at Thamakkam ground, Madurai. As part of the Symposium, several workshops, seminars and people conventions will be organized on the theme of Building Resilience for Sustaining Development. Advanced Centre for Enabling Disaster Risk Reduction(ACEDRR) and the Coastal Conservation and Livelihoods Programme of DHAN Foundation is organising a workshop on “Institutionalization of Disaster risk reduction initiatives with Panchayat governance: Status, Challenges and Way Forward”

## Objective

- To understand the status and challenges of community participation in Panchayat with respect to disaster management
- To evolve the ways and mechanisms to integrate the Disaster risk reduction initiatives with Panchayat governance.



## About the Workshop

Disasters like Floods, Cyclones, Droughts and Earthquakes are increasing in globally and India also. Natural Disasters cannot be prevented, but their impact on the lives and the socio-economic aspects of the people can be reduced significantly. While the Government has the role to help its people in distress, the people and their institutions themselves have greater responsibility to withstand together to face such eventualities. In this process, people and their institutions and Panchayat governance can work together to strengthen their resilience capacity.

Keeping the above in view, there is a need to define the role of Village Panchayat in disaster management and sensitize local communities through them to develop coping mechanism in preparedness and mitigation measures of disaster to minimize the loses. The proposed workshop will therefore address the relevant challenges relating to role of Village Panchayats in disaster and providing a forum to discuss and evolve mechanisms to strengthen institutional linkage between Panchayat and community.

## Expected outcomes

The expected outcome is to evolve the mechanisms for disaster risk reduction initiative for Village Panchayats in Odisha and Tamil Nadu.