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> > Dated:- 05 May, 2025

To,

Chief Secretaries of all States Administrators of all UTs

Subject: Conduct of Civil Defence Mock Drill on 7th May 2025

Sir.

In continuation of our earlier communication dated 2nd May 2025 regarding the strengthening of Civil Defence preparedness in vulnerable areas(copy enclosed), and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 19 of the Civil Defence Rules, 1968, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India has decided to organize Civil Defence Exercise and Rehearsal across the 244 categorized Civil Defence Districts of the country on 07.05.2025. The conduct of the exercise is planned up to the village level. This exercise aims to assess and enhance the readiness of Civil Defence mechanisms across all States and Union Territories.

2. In the Civil Defence Exercise, active participation of the District Controller, various district authorities, Civil Defence Wardens/Volunteers, Home Guard (active / reservists volunteers), NCC, NSS, NYKS, college / school students is envisaged. The said Civil Defence Exercise is aimed to assess the operational efficacy and operational coordination of various Civil Defence measures.

Key Details of the Mock Drill:

Date: 7th May 2025

Location: All categorized Civil Defence towns/districts within your jurisdiction

Objectives of the Mock Drill:

The primary objectives of the mock drill are as follows:

- To assess the effectiveness of air raid warning systems.
- Operationalization of Hotline/Radio Communication Links with the Indian Air Force
- To test the functionality of control rooms and shadow control rooms.
- Training of civilians, students, etc, on the civil defence aspects to protect themselves in the event of hostile attack.
- Provision of crash black out measures.
- Provision for early camouflaging of vital plants / installations
- To verify the activation and response of Civil Defence services, including warden services, firefighting, rescue operations, and depot management.
- To assess the implementation of crash blackout measures.
- To evaluate the preparedness of evacuation plans and their execution.
- 3. It is requested to kindly direct the Director, Civil Defence of your State/UTs, to organize the Civil Defence Exercise on 07.05.2025, by involving all the stakeholders, in all the categorized Civil Defence Districts of your State/UTs. An action taken report in this regard may also kindly be shared with this Directorate at the earliest.
- 4. This issue is being communicated with the approval of the Director General.

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> > Dated:- 02 May, 2025

To,

Chief Secretaries of all States Administrators of all UTs

Subject:- Civil Defence Preparedness in the Vulnerable Areas / Districts.

Sir,

The Issue of strengthening of Civil Defence set up and maintaining optimum Civil Defence preparedness in the categorized CD towns/districts at States/UTs has been emphasized by the Hon'ble Prime Minister and Hon'ble Union Home Minister during their address at the 'Chintan Shlvir', held at Surajkund, Haryana on 27 & 28 Oct 2022, followed by Union Home Secretary DO Letter dated 16 January 2023 (Copy enclosed). I am writing to you to augment the Civil Defence preparedness of the categorized CD towns/districts of your States/UTs.

- 2. Civil Defence is considered an integral component of Nation's Passive Defence strategy. The implementation of Civil Defence measures in the vulnerable areas is governed by the Civil Defence Act, 1968. In the current geo-political scenario, new and complex threats/challenges have emerged, hence, it would be prudent that optimum Civil Defence preparedness in the States/UTs is maintained at all times. To achieve this, below mentioned measures in the categorized CD Towns/Districts of your States/UTs may be adopted:
- (a) Operationalization of Air Raid Warning Sirens
- (b) Operationalization of Hotline/Radio Communication Links with the Indian Air Force.
- (c) Activation and Manning of Control Rooms / Shadow Control Rooms

- (d) Training of civilians, students, etc, on the Civil Defence aspects to protect themselves in the event of hostile attack.
- (e) Activation of Civil Defence Services, especially, warden services, firefighting, rescue service, depot, etc..
- (f) Provision of crash black out measures
- (g) Provision for early camouflaging of vital plants / installations
- (h) Updation of CD Plan & its rehearsal
- Updation of evacuation plan & its rehearsal
- (j) Cleaning of bunkers, trenches, etc.
- 3. I shall be grateful if you could personally look into the aforesaid issues on priority and direct the concerned officers to implement the much-needed CD measures, so as to effectively deal with any emergency situation. The action taken report in this regard may also be shared with the Ministry.
- This issues with the approval of Director General.

Yours, faithfully

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