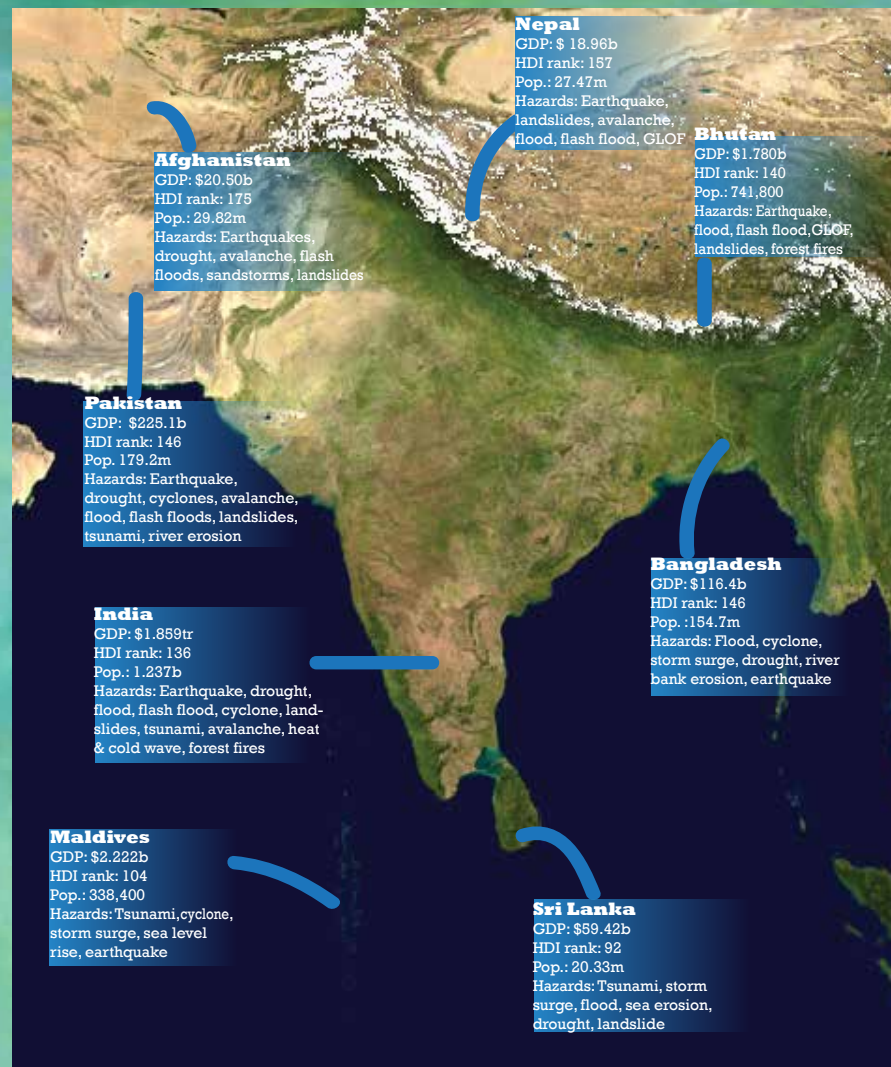


SAARC Member Nations



Flagship Programmes

- Natural Disaster Rapid Response Mechanism (NDRRM): NDRRM is being developed to streamline a regional response to natural disasters
- HFA 2 Priorities for South Asia: Envisioning, development and implementation of SAARC priorities on HFA2 Process
- Regional Risk Transfer and Insurance Mechanism: Being developed for institutionalizing financial resilience in the region
- South Asia Disaster Knowledge Network (SADKN): SADKN web portal is a platform for networking and knowledge sharing
- Digital Vulnerability Atlas (DVA): DVA is an interactive tool on WebGIS platform for informed decision making and Disaster Management planning



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About South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation

The South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) is an intergovernmental body of countries from South Asia working towards the promotion of welfare and improvement in the quality of life of people from the region. Member Countries of the SAARC are Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

SAARC is headquartered at the SAARC Secretariat in Kathmandu, Nepal.



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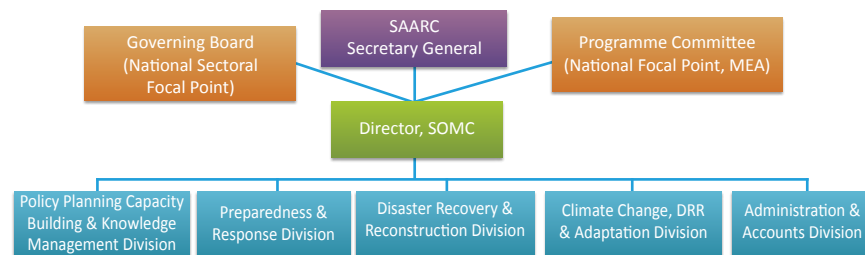
The SAARC Disaster Management Centre is a Regional Centre of the SAARC Secretariat set up in October, 2006. The centre has been working extensively to fulfill its mandate by undertaking studies and pioneering research in disaster management, conducting workshops and training programmes for capacity building and creating an extensive knowledge network to make real time data on disasters available. Further, the centre also collaborates with specialized agencies of international organizations to create a safer and disaster resilient South Asia.

SDMC Vision

The SAARC Disaster Management Centre strives to be a vibrant centre for regional cooperation for the holistic management of disasters in South Asia to attain sustainable development in the region

SDMC Structure

SDMC has five functional divisions, which enable effective understanding and intervention for DRR given contemporary priorities.



Our Key Functions

The functions of the SAARC Disaster Management Centre are:

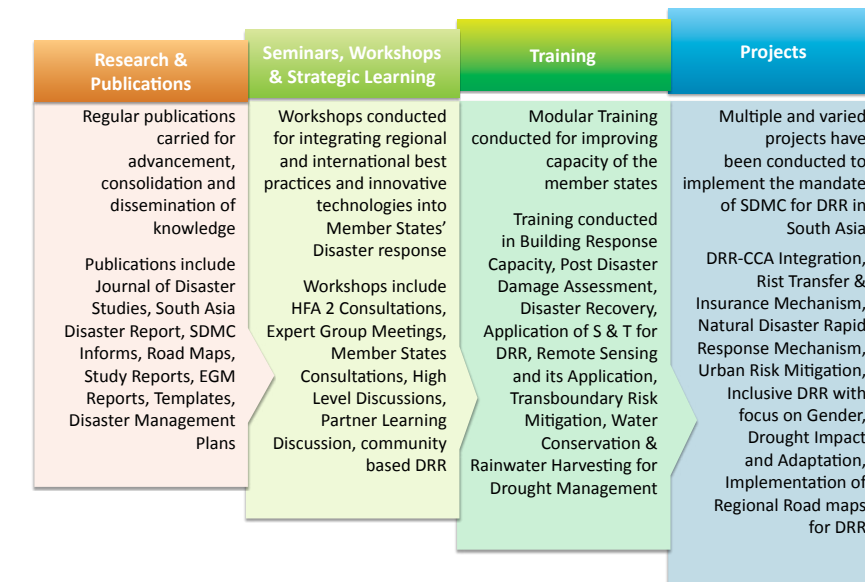
- To collect, compile, document and disseminate data, information, case studies, indigenous knowledge and good practices relating to disaster management particularly from the Member Countries;
- To analyze information, undertake research and disseminate research findings on disaster management among the Member Countries;
- To develop educational materials and conduct academic and professional courses on disaster management;
- To organize training and awareness programmes for various stakeholders on disaster management for the Member Countries;
- To develop training modules on various aspects on disaster management and conduct programmes of Training for Trainers including simulation exercises;
- To provide assistance in the formulation of policies, strategies, disaster management framework and any other assistance as may be required by the Member Counties or organizations and institutions nominated by the Member Counties;
- To undertake, organize, facilitate and participate in workshops, conferences, seminars, lectures on various aspects of disaster management in the Member Counties;

- To undertake publications of journals, research papers and books and establish and maintain online resource centre in furtherance of the aforesaid objects;
- To collaborate with SAARC Centres, particularly SMRC, SCZMC and SAARC Forestry Centre to achieve synergies in programmes and activities;
- To promote and enhance regional cooperation for holistic management of disasters in all its phases;
- To conduct studies on assessment of risks of natural and man made disasters in South Asia;
- To develop regional standards, guidelines, tools, techniques and methodologies for reducing the risks of disasters in South Asia;
- To coordinate regional response to disasters in a planned and effective manner to reduce loss of lives and to provide humanitarian assistance to people affected by disasters.



Our Activities

SDMC has shown immense growth and broadening of its sphere of influence ever since its inception. The increased scope of work and recognition of the centre can be gauged by the confidence reposed in the centre by reputed organizations of the region working in the field of DRR. Some of the fields of work that SDMC engages in are as follows.



Our Partners

SDMC has been extensively collaborating with international organizations, NGOs, premier academic institutes and research organizations for DRR in South Asia.

Further, it also engages in extensive networking through the National Focal Point of Member States.

National Focal Points Ministry of External Affairs

National Sectoral Focal Points

- Afghan National Disaster Management Authority (Afghanistan),
- Disaster Management Bureau (Bangladesh),
- Ministry of Home and Cultural Affairs (Bhutan),
- National Institute of Disaster Management (India),
- Disaster Management Centre (Maldives),
- Ministry of Home Affairs (Nepal),
- National Disaster Management Authority (Pakistan),
- Ministry of Disaster Management and Human Rights (Sri Lanka)

Key Partners

- UNDP, UNISDR, UNESCAP, UNICEF, IRP, USFS/USAID, UNOCHA, World Bank, GFDRR, UNEP, JICA, ADPC, ADRC, IFRC, IIT Roorkee, IIT Madras, SASE, Dhaka University, Tribhuvan University, INCOIS, ICIMOD, SAARC Meteorological Research Centre, SAARC Coastal Zone Management Centre, SAARC Forestry Centre, SAARC Cultural Centre