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Golden Corridor dangerous, houses 35% hazardous units: Chief Secretary

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THE HIGHLY industrialised "Golden Corridor" of Gujarat — between Ankleshwar and Vapi — is a "very dangerous corridor", housing 35 per cent of the country's major hazardous units, said J N Singh, chief secretary of the state on Wednesday.

"Gujarat is a highly industrialised state, prone to chemical and industrial hazards. In fact, 35 per cent of the major hazard units of the country are located in the Vapi-Hazira-Dahej-Ankleshwar belt. It is called the golden corridor. But at the same time, it is a very dangerous corridor also, where chemical hazards can take place," said Singh at the conference organised by National Disaster Management Authority, Petroleum and Natural



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CHIEF SECRETARY

Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) and Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), among others.

"From Vapi to Ankleshwar to

Ahmedabad, the belt is full of chemical industries and we keep on having all sorts of disaster here and there. Of course, we have managed to see that the disasters are very less. But God forbid, something may happen," he added.

Singh said that the government maintains round-the-clock surveillance of the belt and has planned certain physical interventions. For instance, in Hazira, the GIDC is coming up with a plan to have a by-pass route to help aid passage of people and aid if a disaster occurs on the main route.

According to the latest socio-economic survey, there are 4,412 industrial units that manufacture chemicals and chemical products in Gujarat. These units employ over three lakh workers, the highest among those employed by the factories

functioning in different segments in the state.

"Gujarat has a total of 36,179 factories registered under the factories Act. The state has a chemical port at Dahej. Both Kandla and Mundra also handle good amount of petrochemical products. Pipavav and Dahej also handle additional cargo. That is why petrochemical products are there in Gujarat in a significant way and chemical accidents can certainly occur due to lack of safety measures, technical breakdown or human error. It is, therefore, important to initiate a series of certain training programmes to actually minimise disaster," he added.

At the event, Lieutenant General Dr J R Bhardwaj, chairman of Chemical and Industrial Disaster Management (CIDM) Board, said Gujarat hosts two-third of the total chemical industries in the country.

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GIDM and FICCI ink MoU for capacity building

Gujarat Industrial Disaster Management (GIDM) along with Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industries signed a memorandum of understanding on Wednesday, in presence of Gujarat chief secretary J N Singh. The MoU will address the requirements of capacity building and training in the area of disaster management. Appreciating the effort, Singh said that Gujarat has the maximum number of chemical industries in India in addition to others, and thus is vulnerable to disasters.

GIDM, FICCI sign MoU for capacity devp

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The Gujarat Institute of Disaster Management (GIDM) and FICCI signed a MoU for capacity development and training in the field of chemical industrial disasters.

The MoU was signed at the 33rd Chemical Industrial Disaster Management Conference, which took place in the city on Wednesday.

The announcement regarding setting up an institute of toxicology in Ahmedabad,

which would train responders and store antidotes for all types of chemicals produced in the state, was also made at the conference.

Inaugurating the conference, state's chief secretary JN Singh said that Gujarat is home to maximum number of industries, especially chemicals, and is thus vulnerable to manmade disasters.

"A number of steps have been taken to mitigate such disasters but we have to be prepared all the time to meet any contingencies," he said.

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ડિઝાસ્ટર મેનેજમેન્ટ ઇન્સ્ટિટ્યૂટ અને ફિક્કી વચ્ચે MoU

નવગુજરાત સમય > અમદાવાદ: ગુજરાતની પહેલી અને ૩૩મી કેમિકલ ઇન્ડસ્ટ્રીયલ ડિઝાસ્ટર મેનેજમેન્ટ કોન્ફરન્સનું ચીફ સેક્રેટરી જે. એન. સીંધે ઉદ્ઘાટન કર્યું હતું. આ પ્રસંગે ગુજરાત ઇન્સ્ટિટ્યૂટ ઓફ ડિઝાસ્ટર મેનેજમેન્ટના ડિરેક્ટર પી.કે.તનેજા ગુજરાત રાજ્ય વતી તથા ડિરેક્ટર જનરલ ઓફ ફિક્કી નિરંકાર સક્સેનાએ એમઓયુમાં હસ્તાક્ષર કર્યા હતા, જેને લઈને દરેક કેમિકલના એન્ટિડોટસ તૈયાર કરવા માટે તથા હોનારતના સમયમાં યોગ્ય બચાવ કામગીરીની તાલીમ માટે એક ઇન્સ્ટિટ્યૂટ સ્થાપવામાં આવશે. IOCLના બોટલિંગ પ્લાન્ટ સાણંદ ખાતે 16મી માર્ચે પોલીસ, ફાયર, મેડિકલ સર્વિસ, કોર્પોરેશન અને અન્ય સંસ્થાઓના સહયોગથી ઇમરજન્સીના સમય અંગેની મોકડિલ થશે.

गुजरात आपदा प्रबंधन संस्थान व फिक्की के बीच एमओयू



रासायनिक औद्योगिक आपदा के क्षेत्र में क्षमता विकास व प्रशिक्षण के लिए गुजरात में टांक्सीकोलॉजी केंद्र की स्थापना करने की भी योजना

अहमदाबाद. फिक्की की ओर से 33वें व गुजरात राज्य में पहली बार आयोजित केमिकल औद्योगिक आपदा प्रबंधन सम्मेलन में रायनिक औद्योगिक आपदा के क्षेत्र में क्षमता विकास व प्रशिक्षण के लिए गुजरात आपदा प्रबंधन संस्थान (जीआईडीएम) व फिक्की के बीच एमओयू पर

बुधवार को हस्ताक्षर किए गए।

राज्य के मुख्य सचिव डॉ. जे.एन. सिंह ने औपचारिक तौर पर उद्घाटन सत्र में कहा कि गुजरात में 36179 कारखाने पंजीकृत हैं। भारत में विशेषतौर पर गुजरात में अधिकांश रासायनिक उद्योग हैं इसलिए मानव निर्मित आपदाओं के लिए असुरक्षित भी है। ऐसी आपदाओं को कम करने के लिए कई कदम उठाए गए हैं लेकिन हमें किसी भी तरह की आपदाओं से निपटने के लिए हर समय तैयार करना होगा।

जीआईडीएम के महानिदेशक व सार्क इंस्टीट्यूट ऑफ डिजास्टर मैनेजमेंट सेंटर के निदेशक पी.के. तनेजा और फिक्की के उप महासचिव निरंकर सक्सेना ने मुख्य सचिव डॉ. जे.एन. सिंह की मौजूदगी में एमओयू पर हस्ताक्षर किए। प्रशिक्षण के साथ ही गुजरात

में टॉक्सीकोलॉजी (विष विज्ञान) केंद्र की स्थापना करने की भी योजना है। तनेजा ने कहा कि जीआईडीएम की ओर से अब पीपीपी पर अधिक जोर दिया जा रहा है, इसके तहत सरकार साधन व सुविधाएं और संस्थाएं विशेषज्ञों की सेवाएं व साधन-सुविधाएं उपलब्ध करवा सकती है।

भारत सरकार के पूर्व सचिव व गुजरात कैडर के सेवानिवृत्त आईएएस अधिकारी और पीएनजीआरबी के पूर्व चेयरमैन एल. मानसिंह ने प्राकृतिक और मानव निर्मित आपदाओं के जोखिम को कम करने के लिए सरकारों की ओर से निरंतर उठाए गए कदमों की जानकारी दी। फिक्की के उप महासचिव निरंकर सक्सेना ने स्वागत भाषण दिया। सम्मेलन में गुजरात, मध्य प्रदेश, राजस्थान के प्रतिभागियों ने हिस्सा लिया।

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