

Glossary

Disaster	A sudden accident or a natural catastrophe that causes great damage or loss of life
Disaster Management	Disaster management is the discipline of dealing with and avoiding both natural and manmade disasters. It involves preparedness, response and recovery in order to lessen the impact of disasters. It may also involve preparedness training by private citizens, as by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the United States
Geology	The science which deals with the physical structure and substance of the earth, their formation and history, and the processes which act on them
Hazard	A danger or risk
Landslide	The rapid displacement of a mass of rock, residual soil or sediments adjoining a slope in which the centre of gravity of the moving mass advances in a downward and outward direction
Mitigation	The action of reducing the severity, seriousness, or painfulness of something
Typhoon	A tropical storm in the region of the Indian or western Pacific oceans