

Becoming a Disaster Manager – Understanding Key Terms

Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. Hazard is a dangerous natural or manmade condition or event that could cause**
 - (a) Injury or loss of life.
 - (b) Damage to property, livelihood or environment.
 - (c) Both (a) and (b)
 - (d) Neither (a) nor (b)
- 2. Which of the following hazards is exclusively of natural origin?**
 - (a) Fires
 - (b) Earthquakes
 - (c) Volcanic eruptions
 - (d) Tsunamis
- 3. Which of the following statements is not true?**
 - (a) A disaster is a natural or manmade event which causes widespread human loss.
 - (b) A community may be prone to either natural or manmade hazards.
 - (c) A. disaster disrupts the normal functioning of society.
 - (d) A disaster do not affect poor people.
- 4. What is not true about vulnerability?**
 - (a) It is the extent to which a community can be affected by the impact of a hazard.
 - (b) Poverty, lack of information, poor living conditions, etc. are the causes of vulnerability.
 - (c) Vulnerability precedes a disaster.
 - (d) A person living in a thatch house is less vulnerable to a cyclone in comparison to the impact of an earthquake.
- 5. Economically or socially underprivileged people are more vulnerable to disasters because they live in low-lying parts of a flood prone area.**
 - (a) They do not have equal access to common resources.
 - (c) Their own resources are also limited.
 - (d) They live in a pucca house.
- 6. Who are more vulnerable to disasters among the following persons?**
 - (a) Women, especially pregnant women.
 - (b) Children, old people and disabled persons,
 - (c) Both (a) and (b)
 - (d) None of these
- 7. A community is less vulnerable to disaster if it**
 - (a) Has adequate planning for disaster management.
 - (b) Suffers from economic backwardness.
 - (c) Suffers from illness and disabilities.
 - (d) Lacks awareness and education.
- 8. What factors people to move to Prone areas?**
 - (a) Poverty
 - (b) Population growth
 - (c) Urbanization
 - (d) all these factors.
- 9. Which of the following statements is not regarding the extent of hazard?**
 - (a) 60% of land in India is prone to earthquakes.
 - (b) 50% of the cultivable land in India is drought-prone,
 - (c) 12% of land in India is prone to floods.
 - (d) 8% of land in India is prone to cyclones.

- 10. On 29th October, 1999, a super cyclone of speed exceeding 300 kmph lashed across the coastal areas of**
- (a) Tamil Nadu (b) Andhra Pradesh
(c) Orissa (d) West Bengal

ANSWER - KEY

1. C	2. A	3. D	4. D	5. D
6. C	7. A	8. D	9. B	10. C