

Disaster Management

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Disaster management is a science concerned with the systematic process of using administrative decisions, organization, operational skills and capacities to implement policies, strategies and coping capacities of the society and communities to lessen vulnerability to hazards and related disasters. A key component of disaster management is Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), which is a systematic approach to identifying, assessing and reducing the risks of disaster. DRR aims to reduce socio-economic vulnerabilities to disaster as well as dealing with the environmental and other hazards that trigger them.

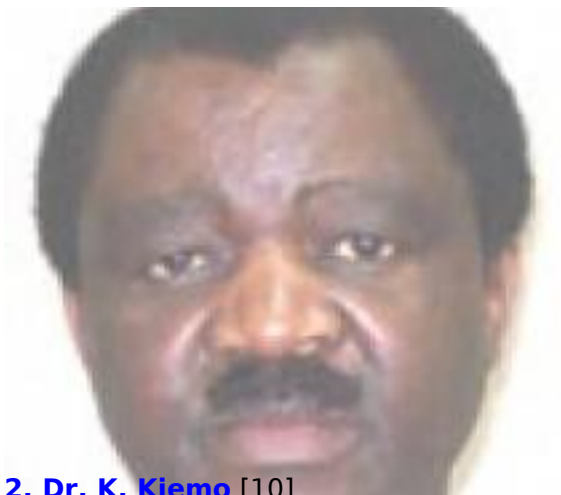
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Projects under the thematic area:

Past: Development of Disaster Risk Reduction Programs sponsored by CORDAID

Ongoing: i. Revision of existing disaster management programs

ii. Research by graduate students on DRR

Degree course:

1. Proposed Diploma in Disaster Risk Reduction
2. Proposed Bachelors Degree in Disaster Risk Reduction
3. PGD in Disaster Management
4. M.A. in Disaster management
5. Ph.D.

Career opportunities:

Those trained in this area would find work in policy formulation as well as in functional work in organizations involved in disaster preparedness, mitigation, response and rehabilitation work. Specifically, those trained in disaster management can work in any Humanitarian Organization, Organizations working with communities to reduce disaster risks and as planners in the area of disaster recovery.

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