



Call for Papers

International Case Studies in the Management of Disasters

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Brief summary: This book will present a diverse range of case studies on how disasters, both natural and manmade, are managed in different parts of the world.

Subject / Topic Description: Disaster management has become a major topic of discussion, given the increasing incidents of different kinds of disasters around the world. Greater investments are made in disaster preparedness and in disaster recovery. Best practice case studies are especially being sought out by disaster management practitioners as well as scholarly researchers.

Full book description: According to the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction, disaster refers to *a serious disruption of the functioning of a community or a society at any scale due to hazardous events interacting with conditions of exposure, vulnerability and capacity, leading to one or more of the following: human, material, economic and environmental losses and impacts*. The scholarly community has studied disasters from various perspectives and we now have a rich knowledge field of disaster management comprised of theories, models, and frameworks. However, what is less clear is how all these apply to specific disaster contexts. In this regard, situationally bound and nuance filled case studies, particularly those conducted in the aftermath of dealing with disasters, assume importance. There is a dearth of books meeting this need for the scholarly and practitioner communities.

Discipline, sub discipline, and keywords: Business, Economics, Environment, Ecology, Economics, Tourism, Geology, Culture, Disasters, Technology, Community Development, Policy, among others.

Interdisciplinarity: Disaster management, in its theory and practice, involves theoreticians and practitioners coming from different academic streams and professional practice areas. This includes sociologists, economics, psychologists, geologists, ecologists, technocrats, and business management consultants, among others. The editors are keen to support interdisciplinary research in disaster management, where this is relevant. The proposed book is going to be significantly interdisciplinary in nature, with management studies as the interlinking element.

Impact: Wherever appropriate, we are committed to helping scholars achieve real world impact with their work. Thus, case studies with immediate practical applications are particularly welcome.

Tentative Table of contents:

The book will showcase 15 - 20 internationally sourced case studies on disaster management. There will be at least one case study related to a type of disaster. The case studies will comprehensively touch upon every aspect of the disaster management cycle. Both successful and failed disaster management practices are welcome.

The editors are seeking high-quality manuscripts on some of the below-mentioned themes from research scholars and disaster management practitioners from around the world.

- *Case studies on the Managing hurricanes*
- *Case studies on Managing Droughts*
- *Case studies on Managing Volcanic Eruptions*
- *Case studies on Managing Floods*
- *Case studies on Managing Earthquakes*
- *Case studies on Managing Tsunamis*
- *Case studies on Managing Tornados*
- *Case studies on Managing Wildfires*
- *Case studies on Managing Avalanches*
- *Case studies on the management of disasters coming out of terror situations such as riots, mass shootings, and wars*
- *Case studies on the management of pandemics*
- *Case studies on various governmental and non-governmental disaster management organizations*
- *Case studies on the role of the private sector in disaster management*
- *Case studies on successful strategies in disaster preparedness and prevention*
- *Case studies on how technologies, particularly social media, are used in disaster situations*
- *Case studies on social capital, community resilience, and their impacts on disaster recovery*
- *Miscellaneous other topics*

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