

National Crisis Management Committee

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Why is in news? National Crisis Management Committee (NCMC) reviews situation in Sikkim

The National Crisis Management Committee (NCMC), under Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary Shri Rajiv Gauba, met today and reviewed the situation in Sikkim.

The Chief Secretary, Sikkim joined the meeting through video conferencing and apprised the Committee about the latest situation in the state. He also briefed the committee about the efforts of the State government in carrying out relief and rescue measures.

National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) has already deployed three teams and additional teams are on standby in Guwahati and Patna. Adequate number of teams and assets of Army and Air Force are being deployed to assist the state in rescue and restoration efforts.

Reviewing relief and rescue measures of the Central Agencies and Government of Sikkim, the Cabinet Secretary emphasized that the evacuation of people stranded in **tunnel of Chungthang dam** and tourists may be taken up on priority basis. He further observed that additional teams of NDRF should be deployed and connectivity of road, telecom and power must be restored in the shortest possible time.

About the Committee:

It is a committee set up by the Government of India in the wake of a natural calamity for effective coordination and implementation of relief measures and operations.

It is headed by **Cabinet Secretary**.

On the constitution of such a committee, the Agriculture Secretary shall provide all necessary information to and seek directions.

It has been constituted in the Cabinet Secretariat.

Key functions:

Oversee the Command, Control and Coordination of the disaster response.

Give direction to the Crisis Management Group (CMG) as deemed necessary.

Composition:

Cabinet Secretary (Chairperson).

Secretaries of Ministries / Departments and agencies with specific Disaster management responsibilities.

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