

**Government of Orissa,
Revenue & Disaster Management Department**

RESOLUTION

No.IVF(OSDMA)16/08 - **4 2 3 1 7** /R&DM,

Dated, Bhubaneswar, the **27th September, 2008**

Sub: Change of name of “Orissa State Disaster Mitigation Authority” to “Orissa State Disaster Management Authority”.

In the immediate aftermath of the Super Cyclone of 1999, the Orissa State Disaster Mitigation Authority (OSDMA) was set up by the Government of Orissa as an autonomous organization vide Finance Department Resolution No.IFC-74/99-51779/F dated the 28th December 1999. It was registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 vide No.20795/131 of 1999-2000 dated 29.12.1999 as a non-profit making & charitable institution of the interest of the people of Orissa. Subsequently, vide Revenue Department Resolution No.39373/R dated 26th August 2000, the erstwhile Revenue Department was declared as the Administrative Department of OSDMA.

The aims & objectives of the society as envisaged in the bye-laws of the agency are :

1. To take up relief, restoration and reconstruction activities and measures for socio-economic revival for mitigating the damages caused or likely to be caused due to any disaster;
2. To take up programmes and schemes that will prevent occurrence of any disaster or minimize the damaging effect due to any disaster;
3. To undertake specific studies to identify programmes and schemes to be taken up to evaluate the various measures taken and suggest suitable action;
4. To accept grants, donation, funds from the State Government, Government of India, bilateral or multi-lateral funding agencies, non governmental organization (NGOs), semi-governmental organizations, State Government and Central Government undertakings, public or private companies, trusts, private individuals interested in participating in or supporting the disaster mitigation works;
5. To raise loans if necessary; and

6. To utilize funds of the society either directly or through Government Departments, State or Central Government undertakings, semi-government Organizations (NGOs), or private philanthropic organizations for achieving its aims and objectives.

Thus, the authority has the mandate not only to take up the mitigation activities by also the relief restoration, reconstruction and other measures. These activities cover the entire gamut of disaster management including preparedness activities and not only limited to mitigation measure. Therefore, in all appropriateness, the name of the Authority should be “**Orissa State Disaster Management Authority**” in place of “Orissa State Disaster Mitigation Authority”, the word “management” connoting a wider meaning.

It is therefore resolved to change the name of Orissa State Disaster Mitigation Authority to Orissa State Disaster Management Authority.

Order : Ordered that the Resolution be published in the Orissa Gazette and copies thereof forwarded to all concerned.

By order of the Governor

Sd/-

Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government
Revenue & Disaster Management Department

Memo No. **4 2 3 1 8** /R&DM, Dt. **27.09.2008**

Copy forwarded to the Director, Printing, Stationery and Publication, Orissa, Cuttack with a request to publish this resolution in the next issue of Orissa Gazette.

He is requested to supply 100 spare copies to this Department for record and reference.

Sd/-

Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. **4 2 3 1 9** /R&DM, Dt. **27.09.2008**

Copy forwarded to the Special Relief Commissioner and *ex-officio* Special Secretary to Government, Revenue & Disaster Management Department / Managing Director, OSDMA, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action.

Sd/-

Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 4 2 3 2 0 /R&DM, Dt. **27.09.2008**

Copy forwarded to the Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Orissa / P.S. to Minister, Revenue & DM for kind information of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Orissa / Hon'ble Minister, Revenue & DM.

Sd/-

Under Secretary to Government.

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Under Secretary to Government.

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Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 4 2 3 2 3 /R&DM, Dt. **27.09.2008**

Copy forwarded to the Secretary, Board of Revenue, Orissa, Cuttack / All Revenue Divisional Commissioners / All Collectors for information and necessary action.

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Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 4 2 3 2 4 /R&DM, Dt. **27.09.2008**

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Under Secretary to Government.