

CHAPTER 8 DATABASE SYSTEM

8.1 Objectives

In order to implement the Study, a wide range of natural and social data had to be collected, compiled, integrated, analysed and displayed by the proper device/media to evaluate the spatial distribution of an earthquake disaster in the study area. GIS is considered to be the most valuable and powerful methodology for spatial data compilation, integration, analysis and display. Large sets of data showing regional characteristics can be analysed, combined and superimposed by GIS software to display the spatial distribution of characteristics of the earthquake disaster.

The final products of the database are maps and tables showing current conditions and analysed results. All the data and results will be overlapped and utilised for the development of seismic disaster mitigation planning. The database is relatively primitive because of many limitations such as the short study period and lack of data. Therefore, this database should be updated in the future.

8.2 Design

In this study, a “modified UTM” coordinate system, the same as used by the Survey Department, KVTDC and DMG, was adopted. All data obtained in other formats using different coordinate systems were converted to the modified UTM coordinate system before being used in this database. This brought the Team to realise the necessity for providing a precise coordinate system in maps and projections in Nepal, not only for this study but also for all current and future projects and tasks in Nepal, including as the base for urban planning.

Using the database and discussions with counterpart personnel of the Survey Department, the Study Team designed and developed a customised system “Kathmandu Earthquake Risk Mitigation Tool (KERMIT)” that incorporated a new simulation function as shown in attached Figure 8.2.1.

8.3 Specifications

Based on the design of the database system and taking the amount of related data and results into account, the specifications needed to use the database system are as follows:

Hardware consists of a PC with free hard disk space of more than 400 MB, a monitor of 1024 x 768 pixels, and a colour printer/ plotter.

- a) Software; Microsoft Windows 95/98/ME, ArcView GIS (Version 3.1 or 3.2) by ESRI, Microsoft Excel 2000, Microsoft Word 2000, Microsoft PowerPoint 2000 and Windows Media Player (Version 6 or 7).
- b) The software (KERMIT) developed by the Team for the study can display all data and results of the Study. This software can also make new simulations for various scenario earthquakes.

The adopted coordinate system in this database system is “Modified UTM” and the detail is shown in Table 8.3.1.

Table 8.3.1 Factors of “Modified UTM” coordinate system

Spheroid	Everest 1830
Projection	Universal Transverse Mercator
Origin	Latitude
	Longitude
False co-ordinates of origin	84 degree East
	0 degree North
False co-ordinates of origin	500,000m Easting
	0m Northing
Scale factor at central meridian	0.9999

The municipal wards and the VDCs are adopted as the basic units for the administrative boundaries in this study. Every municipal ward and VDC is identified with an ID Number of five digits.

For various analyses as described in Chapter 1, a grid with a mesh of 500m square was used. Each mesh was identified with an ID number which relates to the coordinates of longitude and latitude.

8.4 Functions

This system, the “Kathmandu Earthquake Risk Mitigation Tool (KERMIT),” is specially developed for the “Study on Earthquake Mitigation in Kathmandu Valley, Kingdom of Nepal”. KERMIT has two main functions as follows:

- a) View and query the entire results of this study

KERMIT menu dialogs lead the user to the target result that the user is interested in. The user should choose the title in menu dialogs or list box in the submenu.

- b) Simulate various scenario earthquakes

Another function is the simulation of ground motion and damages caused by various scenario earthquakes. When the parameters of an earthquake are specified, the results will be automatically calculated from the GIS data and displayed.

8.5 Operations Manual

(1) Installation

As **KERMIT** does not have its own setup function, the user should execute the following two simple operations for the installation.

- a) Copy the Directory "*eqdm-ktm*" and all sub-directories from the CD-ROM on which it is provided to the root directory of the computer's C drive.
- b) Edit the configuration file "*eqdm.inf*" in directory "*\eqdm*", using your text editor as following contents.
 - First line: directory path which includes the file "*arcview.exe*"
 - Second line: directory path which includes the file "*excel.exe*"
 - Third line: title of your **ArcView**. See the title bar of active window of **ArcView**

(2) Operation

User can execute "*eqdm.exe*" in "*\eqdm-ktm \system*" directory. Main menu appears at centre of the display as shown in Figure 8.5.1. Main menu indicates eight buttons to lead to each category.

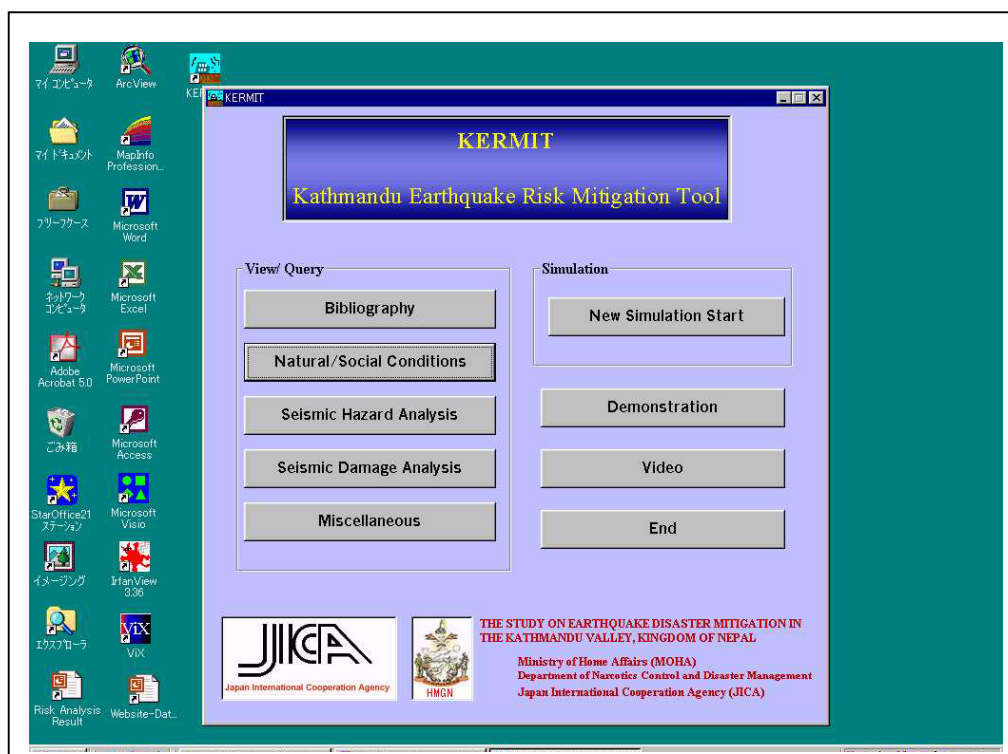


Figure 8.5.1 Main Menu of KERMIT

8.6 Contents

In accordance with the design, the contents of the database were formulated and contents are listed in attached Table 8.6.1.

CHAPTER 9 WEBSITE

The website of this Study was developed and released at the following URL.

<http://www.jica-eqdm-ktm.org.np>

The top page is shown in Figure 9.1.1.



Figure 9.1.1 Top Page of the Website

PART III

CONCLUSIONS

CHAPTER 10 CONCLUSIONS

10.1 Study Results and Conceivable Programmes for Earthquake Disaster Mitigation

10.1.1 Earthquake Disaster Assessment

The study team assessed earthquake disaster scenario for the Kathmandu Valley to effective disaster mitigation planning. To determine the damage and that would be caused by a future earthquake, data on natural and social conditions were collected and analysed.

Based on the seismic, seismo-tectonic and geological conditions around the Kathmandu Valley, the following three new fault models were selected for disaster assessment.

- a) Mid Nepal Earthquake (Magnitude: 8.0)
- b) North Bagmati Earthquake (Magnitude: 6.0)
- c) KV Local Earthquake (Magnitude: 5.7)

In addition, d) an earthquake equivalent to the 1934 Bihar-Nepal Earthquake (Magnitude: 8.4) was modelled for comparison with the three potential earthquakes.

Seismic intensity was calculated for the four fault models as follows.

- a) Mid Nepal earthquake: Except in mountainous areas, MMI VIII would be experienced in the Valley.
- b) North Bagmati earthquake: Except in mountainous areas, the Valley would experience MMI VI or VII.
- c) KV Local earthquake: The area along the fault would experience MMI IX. Other parts of the Valley, except the mountainous areas, would experience MMI VII or VIII.
- d) 1934 Bihar-Nepal earthquake: Most areas of the Valley would experience MMI VIII, and some areas in the eastern part would experience MMI IX.

Although the liquefaction potential for all models was evaluated as relatively low, compared to a previous estimates undertaken by UNDP, the study results indicated that extraordinarily extensive damage would occur if a moderate to great earthquake were to strike the Valley.

It is considered that action should be taken to improve the capacity for earthquake disaster assessment. Thirteen recommended programmes are shown in Table 10.1.1.

Table 10.1.1 List of Programme for Earthquake Disaster Assessment

No.	Items	Reference	Responsible Organization							
		Main Report	National Government			Local Government	Private Sectors			
Earthquake Disaster Estimation										
ED-1	Seismological Measurements									
ED-1.1	Seismological observation	III-4-a	DMG							
ED-1.2	GPS observation	III-4-a	Survey Dept.							
ED-2	Basic data									
ED-2.1	Regulation of Map data	III-4-b	Survey Dept.							
ED-3	Geological Data									
ED-3.1	Basement structure measurement of Kathmandu valley	III-4-c	DMG						Nepal Geological Society	
ED-3.2	Geological database	III-4-c	DMG						Nepal Geological Society	
ED-4	Infrastructure database									
ED-4.1	Building inventory/Census	III-4-d	MPPW						Nepal Engg. Assoc.	
ED-4.2	Life line GIS database	III-4-d	MPPW	NEA	NTC					
ED-4.3	Bridge ledger	III-4-d	MPPW							
ED-5	Data clearing house	III-4-e	MOHA	MO Com						
ED-6	Improvement of Damage estimation									
ED-6.1	Historical data gathering and analysis	III-4-f	DMG							
ED-6.2	Strong motion observation network	III-4-f	DMG							
ED-7	Education and Research									
ED-7.1	Earthquake engineering laboratory	III-4-g	MOSE	MPPW	Trbhuvan Univ.				Nepal Engg. Assoc.	
ED-7.2	Training earthquake engineers	III-4-g	MOSE	MPPW	Trbhuvan Univ.				Nepal Engg. Assoc.	

10.1.2 Sustainable Mechanisms for Development of Disaster Management

There is a strong tendency for public authorities and organisations to act independently with little contact or coordination with other bodies; effective disaster management requires close cooperation among ministries and other governmental/societal institutions. In Nepal, several reasons were noted for the existing inadequacy of inter-institutional cooperation:

- Lack of adequate legal framework, and thus unclear responsibility.
- Lack of incentives for individual institutions, with inadequate funding being the greatest disincentive.
- Lack of auditing or system of accountability for public administration.

The biggest difficulty that Nepal faces for earthquake disaster management is the lack of sustainable mechanisms for governmental/community mitigation and preparedness actions, rather than the lack of resources. Though, there appears to be a trend that may begin to overcome this difficulty; decentralisation represented by the Self Governance Act and disaster management actions in some communities.

It is considered that action should be undertaken to improve the capacity for disaster management. Sixteen recommended programmes are shown in Table 10.1.2.

Table 10.1.2 List of Programmes for Sustainable Mechanisms for Development of Disaster Management

No.	Items	Reference	Responsible Organization						
		in Main Report	National Government			Local Government	Private Sectors		
Sustainable Mechanism for Development of Disaster Management									
SM-1	Establishment of Legal Foundation	II-3.1.5	PM Office	MOHA					
SM-2	Establishment of Disaster Management Council								
SM-2.1	National Disaster Management Council	II-3.1.5	PM Office	NPC	MOHA	MOLD			
SM-2.2	Kathmandu Valley Disaster Management Council	II-3.1.5	MPPW	MOHA	MOLD		Municipalities		
SM-2.3	Municipality/Ward Disaster Management Council	II-3.1.5	MOLD				Municipalities		
SM-3	Cooperation between Government and Private sector	II-3.1.4	MOHA						
SM-4	Preparation of Disaster Management Plan								
SM-4.1	National Plan	II-3.2.1	NPC	MOHA	MOLD				
SM-4.2	Central government Plans	II-3.2.1	AHM Industries						
SM-4.3	Kathmandu Valley Plan	II-3.2.1	MPPW	MOHA	MOLD		Municipalities		
SM-4.4	Municipality Plans	II-3.2.1	MOLD				Municipalities		
SM-4.5	District Plans	II-3.2.1	MOHA				VDC		
SM-4.6	Private Plans	II-3.2.1						Hospital	School
SM-5	Emphasis of Earthquake Management in National 5 Year Plan	II-3.2.2	NPC	AHM Industries					Company
SM-6	Exercises and Education								
SM-6.1	Citizens	II-3.3.1	MOLD				Municipalities		
SM-6.2	School Children	II-3.3.2	MOSE				Municipalities		
SM-6.3	Civil Servants	II-3.3.3	MOLD				Municipalities		
SM-6.4	Masons	II-3.3.4	MPPW				Municipalities		

10.1.3 Maintain Governance

Once a mid-scale to great earthquake occurs, the disaster will escalate through the interaction of natural phenomena, social conditions and human reactions. If the government is unable to provide effective leadership and systematic management of response and recovery operations, the initial response will be one of chaos, resulting in ineffective rescue and relief works, social distrust, and a destabilised society and economy. It will then be difficult for people to pull together, and people must be recoverable to pull together to from a disaster.

It is considered that action should be taken to improve the capacity to maintain governance. Twenty-five recommended programmes are shown in table 10.1.3.

Table 10.1.3 List of Programmes to Maintain Governance

No.	Item s	Reference in Main Report	Responsible Organization						
			National Government				Local Government	Private Sectors	
Maintain Governance									
MG-1	Establishment of Real Time Earthquake Information System								
MG-1.1	Earthquake Information System	II-4.2.1	DMG	MOHA			Municipalities		
MG-1.2	Seismic Intensity Information System	II-4.2.2	DMG	MOHA			Municipalities		
MG-1.3	Earthquake Information Reporting System	II-4.2.3	DMG	MOHA			Municipalities		
MG-2	Assessment of Damage Information System								
MG-2.1	Establishment of Lines of Communications	II-4.3.1	AHM Industries				Municipalities		
MG-2.2	Improvement of Daily Business Style	II-4.3.1	AHM Industries				Municipalities		
MG-2.3	Preparation of Taking Aerial Photos	II-4.3.1	Survey Department						
MG-3	Empowerment of Media								
MG-3.1	Seminars and Training	II-4.3.2	MO Com.	Nepal TV	Radio Nepal			Media FM	Newspapers
MG-3.2	Amendment of National Broadcasting Act	II-4.3.2	MO Com.						
MG-3.3	Publicizing	II-4.3.3	MOHA	MO Com.				Media FM	Newspapers
MG-4	Establishment of Emergency Communications								
MG-4.1	Identifying the Defects of Radio Wave Propagation	II-4.4.1	MO Com.	NTC					
MG-4.2	Digital Mobile Multi Channel Access System	II-4.4.2	AHM Industries				Municipalities		
MG-4.3	Simultaneous Reporting System	II-4.4.2	MOHA						
MG-4.4	Portable Handset	II-4.4.2	AHM Industries				Municipalities		
MG-4.5	Institute Amateur Radio Network	II-4.4.3	MO Com.	NTC				Amateur Radio Community	
MG-5	Preparation for Emergency Response								
MG-5.1	Control System	II-4.5.1	PM Office						
MG-5.2	Central Government EOC	II-4.5.2	PM Office	AHM Industries					
MG-5.3	Municipality/Ward EOC	II-4.5.2	MOLD				Municipalities		
MG-5.4	Plans/Manuals	II-4.5.3, 4.7	MOHA	MOLD	AHM Industries		Municipalities		
MG-5.5	Facility for EOC	II-4.5.3	AHM Industries				Municipalities		
MG-6	Discipline Public Sector								
MG-6.1	Discipline Public Sector	II-4.6.1, 4.6.2	AHM Industries				Municipalities		
MG-6.2	Line of Succession	II-4.6.3	AHM Industries				Municipalities		
MG-6.3	Preservation of Vital Record	II-4.6.4	AHM Industries				Municipalities		
MG-7	Preparation for Recovery								
MG-7.1	Capacity Building	II-4.8.1	AHM Industries				Municipalities		
MG-7.2	Review/Evaluation of Existing Priorities and Projects	II-4.8.2	MPPW						
MG-7.3	Preparedness	II-4.8.3	AHM Industries				Municipalities		

10.1.4 Protect Life and Property

This is the ultimate objective for disaster management, although many difficulties are anticipated in responding to the disaster, including search and rescue operations, medical care, cremation, drinking water and food, public health care, security, fire-fighting, management of volunteers, safety inspections of structures and infrastructure, debris removal and disposal, and provision of shelter and temporary housing. When disasters strike, individuals and organisations react and their reactions are guided by whether they know what to do, their degree of preparedness to take appropriate action, and other factors, including their confidence in the safety of loved ones. Effective means of acquiring, assessing, and disseminating disaster information are required.

The availability of logistics to support on-site activities after the occurrence of a disaster is a critical issue. The transportation system must continue to function during and after the occurrence of an earthquake disaster, so that search and rescue can be conducted and other socio-economic activities can continue functioning. Rapid restoration of electrical power and water supplies to the affected areas is equally critical. The existing conditions of these elements of the Valley's infrastructure were discussed to identify any underlying problems.

It is considered that actions are needed to improve the capacity both to protect life and property and to support on-site activities during the initial stages of a disaster. Nineteen recommended programmes are shown in Table 10.1.4.

Table 10.1.4 List of Programmes to Protect Life and Property of the People

No.	Item s	Reference	Responsible Organization					
		n Main Report	National Government			Local Government	Private Sectors	
Protect Life and Property of the People								
PL-1	Search and Rescue							
PL-1.1	Plan for improvement of research and rescue	II-5.2	MOHA	MOHealth		Municipalities	Red Cross WHO	
PL-1.2	Acceptance of International Support	II-5.3	MOHA	MOHealth			Red Cross WHO	
PL-1.3	Improvement of Disaster Medicine	II-5.4	MOHealth				Red Cross WHO	Hospitals
PL-1.4	Food and water supply	II-5.5.8	MOHealth					
PL-2	Shelter and Evacuation							
PL-2.1	Plan for shelter, evacuation and removal	II-5.6.4	KVTC			Municipalities		
PL-3	Medical Problem							
PL-3.1	Public Health Care	II-5.7	MOH				Hospital	Red Cross Assoc.
PL-3.2	Remains	II-5.8	MOH			Municipalities		
PL-4	Other Functions							
PL-4.1	Security	II-5.9.1	MOHA	RNA				
PL-4.2	Firefighting	II-5.9.2	MOHA					
PL-4.3	Management of volunteers	II-5.9.3	MOHA			Municipalities		
PL-4.4	Safety Inspections	II-5.9.4	MPPW			Municipalities	Nepal Engg. Assoc.	
PL-4.5	Debris removal	II-5.9.5	MPPW			Municipalities	Nepal Engg. Assoc.	
PL-5	Transportation System (Roads and Bridges)							
PL-5.1	Database	II-5.10.6	MPPW					
PL-5.2	Temporary Bridges	II-5.10.6	MPPW	RNA				
PL-6	Electricity Supply							
PL-6.1	Database	II-5.11.5	NEA					
PL-6.2	Solar Power	II-5.11.5	NEA					
PL-6.3	Wind Power	II-5.11.5	NEA					
PL-6.4	Diesel generators	II-5.11.5	NEA					
PL-7	Staging area	II-5.12	MOHA					

10.1.5 Strengthen Socio-Economic System

Working towards sustainable development is a natural and necessary companion to working towards effective earthquake disaster management itself, because the ability to deal with earthquake disasters is highly dependent upon the fundamentals of society, economic growth and social stability, all of which are the fruits of sustainable development. Urban society is highly dependent on the socio-economic infrastructure, and any weakness makes it vulnerable to disaster. The vast direct and indirect economic and societal losses caused by disasters can be reduced by reinforcing the infrastructure through sustainable development practices.

It is considered that the action should be taken to strengthen the socio-economic system. Eighteen recommended programmes are shown in Table 10.1.5.

Table 10.1.5 List of Programmes for Strengthening the Socio-Economic System

No.	Item s	Reference	Responsible Organization					
			National Government			Local Government	Private Sectors	
Strengthen Socio-Economic System								
SE-1	Urban Planning							
SE-1.1	Urban Space Allocation Detail Planning	II-6.1.2	KVTDC	MPPW		Municipality		
SE-1.2	Assignment Planning of Intensive Development Areas	II-6.1.3	KVTDC	MPPW		Municipality		
SE-1.3	Assignment Planning of Mitigation Bypass Routes	II-6.1.3	KVTDC	MPPW		Municipality		
SE-1.4	Urban Zoning for Disaster Mitigation measures	II-6.1.5	KVTDC			Municipality		
SE-2	Transportation Facilities							
SE-2.1	Roads to improve access to the Valley	II-6.2.5	MPPW					
SE-2.2	Roads to improve mobility inside the Valley	II-6.2.5	MPPW					
SE-2.3	Improvement of bridges	II-6.2.5	MPPW					
SE-3	Building							
SE-3.1	Improving Building construction	II-6.3.7	MPPW			Municipalities	Masons	
SE-3.2	National Building Code	II-6.3.7	MPPW				Nepal Engg. Assoc.	
SE-3.2	Training	II-6.3.8	MPPW			Municipalities	Masons	Nepal Engg. Assoc.
SE-3.4	Inspection of Key Buildings	II-6.3.8	MPPW				Nepal Engg. Assoc.	
SE-4	Electricity							
SE-4.1	Network improvement	II-6.4.3	NEA					
SE-5	Water Supply & Sewerage Facilities							
SE-5.1	Database system	II-6.5.3	NWSC					
SE-5.2	Distribution system by water tankers	II-6.5.3	NWSC					
SE-5.3	Preservation of existing wells and spouts	II-6.5.3	NWSC			Municipalities		
SE-5.4	Preparation of earthquake resistant design manual	II-6.5.3	NWSC					
SE-6	Telecommunication facilities	II-6.6.3	MO Com. NTC					
SE-7	Socio-economic influence	II-6.7.1	MO Commerce					

10.2 Cost Estimate

Regarding soft programmes such as legal/institutional strengthening and capacity building, the cost calculation for programme implementation was based on the probable requirement for the input of experts to assist in the implementation. Regarding construction of infrastructure, the cost of implementation was shown if the programme directly contributes to earthquake disaster mitigation.

The cost of each programme is shown in the attached Table 10.2.1, 10.2.2, and the total cost is shown in Table 10.2.3 below.

Table 10.2.3 Cost Estimate

Item	Total Cost (million yen)
Earthquake Disaster Assessment	3,250
Sustainable Mechanisms for Development of Disaster Management	947
Maintain Governance	3,835
Protect Life and Property of the People	4,950
Strengthen Socio-Economic System	9,630
Grand Total	41,974

10.3 Evaluation of Programmes and Implementation Plan

The programmes listed above are too great in number and quantity to be accomplished within a limited time because they need a tremendous amount of resources and implementing time and, in some cases, will take time even before there can be consensus among the relevant organisations/people. It could take 50 years or even longer to actually implement all the programmes.

Some programmes must be selected from among the entire list to act as initiatives and stimulation for succeeding works. They must bring visible results to promote further endeavours to achieve, as much as possible, the goals for earthquake disaster reduction.

The proposed programmes were evaluated, based on the following factors.

a) Term

The required duration to complete the programme will be an essential issue. Each programme was rated as A: short term (1 to 5 years), B: middle term (5 to 10 years), or C: long term (more than 10 years).

b) Priority

Taking the following points into consideration, each proposed programme was rated as A: high priority, B: moderate priority, or C: low priority.

- Contribution to accomplishment of one or more of the three goals
- Significance of the problem and effectiveness of the solution (degree to which the problem to be resolved is viewed as significant and degree to which the proposed solution will successfully solve the problem; likelihood of the programme producing the desired outcome)
- Value/impact for dollar/yen spent
- Sustainability/ability to attract or generate further investments in mitigation and preparedness by others.

c) Reality

In terms of how realistic the programmes were, each one was rated as A: highly realistic, B: moderate, realistic, or C: not realistic; according to the following two criteria:

- Feasibility (technical, financial, political, etc.; there is reasonable assurance and consensus that the technology, expertise, materials and equipment etc. available in the country will fix the problem)
- Acceptability (likelihood of receiving the support of the responsible institutions and other stakeholders)

For evaluation of the programmes, the study team applied the following point system.

Score for rating in each category is as follows.

Rating	Score
A	3
B	2
C	1

Programme evaluated, based on the total score of the three categories as follows.

Total Score	Evaluation (Importance)
9	High
6 to 8	Moderate
3-to 5	Low

It is noted that the above-mentioned rating and evaluation are based on the study team's judgement, and other organisations/groups/personnel may have different opinions due to their particular situations. It is recommended that all relevant entities should prepare their own rating and evaluation for implementation planning. Moreover, it is highly recommended that all organisations/groups/personnel discuss and agree on overall implementation planning in order to create a Kathmandu and Nepal that are more secure and better able to resist earthquake disasters.

Since it is impossible to completely prevent an earthquake disaster, continuous effort for disaster mitigation is essential. The attached Tables 10.3.1 and 10.3.2, show an implementation plan that would, with intensive effort, achieve a certain level of mitigation.

10.4 Proposals

The study team selected four projects for urgent implementation. The selected projects include several high-scoring programmes as listed below.

(1) Establishment of Early Earthquake Information System

Related programmes:

- Earthquake Information System (MG-1.1)

- Seismic Intensity Information System (MG-1.2)
- Earthquake Information Reporting System (MG-1.3)
- Seminars and Training for Empowerment of Media (MG-3.1)
- Publicising for Empowerment of Media (MG-3.3)
- Emergency Plans/Manuals for Preparing for Emergency Response (MG-5.4)
- Emphasis of Earthquake Management in National 5 year Plan (SM-5)

(2) Establishment of Municipality Disaster Management Institution and Exercise

Related programmes:

- Establishment of Municipality/Ward Disaster Management Council (SM-2.3)
- Municipality level Disaster Management Planning (SM-4.4)
- Municipality/Ward EOC establishment (MG-5.3)
- Emergency Plans/Manuals for Response in Municipality level (MG-5.4)
- Citizens' Resilience and self-reliance (SM-6.1)
- School Children's Resilience and self-reliance (SM-6.2)
- Civil Servants' Resilience and self-reliance (SM-6.3)
- Urban Space Allocation Detail Planning (SE-1.1)

(3) Building Improvement

Related programmes:

- Improving Building Construction (SE-3.1)
- Improving National Building Codes (SE-3.2)
- Building Training (SE-3.3)
- Inspection of Key Buildings (SE-3.4)
- Masons' Resilience and self-reliance (SM-6.4)

(4) Establishment Comprehensive Database for Earthquake Disaster Mitigation

Related programmes:

- Database for Transportation Systems(Roads and Bridges) (PL-5.1)
- Database for Electricity Supply System (PL-6.1)
- Database for Water Supply & Sewerage Facilities (SE-5.1)
- Establishment of Regulation of Map Data (ED-2.1)
- Building Inventory/Census (ED-4.1)
- Lifeline GIS Database (ED-4.2)
- Bridge ledger (ED-4.3)
- Historical Earthquake Data and Analysis (ED-6.1)

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