

Title of the Position	Disaster Risk Financing Specialist
Organisation	Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI)
Location	New Delhi, India
Grade	Principal Specialist / Lead Specialist
Occupational groups	Infrastructure, Development, Disaster Risk Reduction, Finance

Overview:

Currently seeking a **Disaster Risk Financing Specialist** for the anticipated **USAID Support to the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI)** program in India. This is a five year program. We are seeking someone who is motivated and eager to learn. This position would include the opportunity to receive mentoring and training from distinguished national and international experts in the field.

The position involves working **within** the **Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure** (<https://cdri.world/>), a partnership of national governments, UN agencies and programmes, multilateral development banks and financing mechanisms, the private sector, and knowledge institutions. CDRI aims to promote the resilience of new and existing infrastructure systems to climate and disaster risks in support of sustainable development.

We strongly prefer applicants living in India. The position will be embedded within the CDRI Secretariat in **New Delhi, India** and would be **under contract to GeoHazards Society (GHS)**. More information on GHS is provided below. The position will require international travel when COVID-19 conditions permit. CDRI is committed to achieving workforce diversity in terms of gender, nationality, and culture. Differently-abled people are equally encouraged to apply. All applications will be treated with strict confidence.

Objective of this Position:

To conceptualize, initiate, design, and implement projects, technical support and research activities relating to disaster risk financing of infrastructure sectors.

Role and Responsibilities:

- Lead the development of disaster risk finance related projects and knowledge products in line with the aims of CDRI.
- Identify and draw on relevant experience and innovation from countries in terms of financing and budgeting DRR mainstreaming in infrastructure and diversifying funding streams – tools of different financing sources (ex-ante and ex-post, formal and informal, public and private), especially through strengthened Public Private Partnership (PPP) and innovative financing for DRR in infrastructure, and evidence in resultant resilience building at sub-national level.
- Study global best practice and Innovation in disaster risk finance and identify opportunities of adapting and transferring such practices in various contexts.
- Examine institutional gaps and needs for the development of financial regulation of disaster management funds worldwide.
- Coordinate closely with government agencies, development partners, insurance companies and other relevant stakeholders concerning disaster risk financing activities and maintain up-to-date information on their activities and programs.

- Support projects of CDRI from a risk financing and risk transfer lens.
- Develop linkages with national and international institutions of excellence working on issues related to disaster risk financing.
- Development and dissemination of a repertoire of risk financing/ guidance products.

Qualifications:

Post-Graduate qualification in Actuarial Sciences, Economics, Commerce, Financial Management, or Business Administration, with specialization in Finance. PhD in a relevant subject will be preferred.

Experience:

10-15 years of overall experience with at least 4 years of leadership in Disaster Risk Finance/ Insurance regulatory organization/ Insurance sector/ Microfinance sector.

Compensation:

Compensation will be commensurate with experience and qualifications.

The position is contingent upon GHI-GHS being selected for an award. This position and level of compensation is subject to and contingent upon USAID approval of candidates put forth for consideration by GHS.

Background of GeoHazards Society:

GeoHazards Society (GHS – www.geohaz.in) is a non-profit organisation based in Delhi, India. Our focus is on disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation in the South Asian region. We engage closely with the communities that we serve and emphasize working with those most at risk. GHS will be partnering with its sister organisation, GeoHazards International (GHI – www.geohaz.org) for this work. GHI is a global non-profit with a similar mission.

Contact:

We are looking to select a candidate as soon as possible. Please let us know your interest at geohazsociety@gmail.com by 8th July, 2021.