Child led Disaster Risk Reduction in East Godavari District

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Introduction:  
CADME a coalition of 20 organisations working to mitigate the effects of natural / man made disasters.

Where?  
Twenty five vulnerable schools in East Godavari district of Andhra Pradesh.

For whom?  
17,436, children and 6722 families from 25 disaster prone villages and schools.

What?  
One thousand and hundred task force members are well aware of ‘Development and disaster preparedness.  
Replicability Potential:  
The most significant replicability potential is to adopt this best practice to hazard prone vulnerable schools in the country.

Looking Back:  
971 – Students, 31 students died in the 2001 Bhuj Earthquake. 1884 school buildings- collapsed loss of 5950 classrooms, 11761 school buildings suffered major to minor damages.  
Kumbakonam fire tragedy ……… A deadly fire raged through Lord Krishna School killed 93 children, all below the age of 11 years. Let us learn lessons from earlier tragedies & make our schools a safer place for children.

Development and Outputs:  
Two thousand three hundred children have taken lead in developing the risk maps and safety nets of their respective schools. Nineteen hundred and sixty children are well trained in early warning systems, emergency rescue and emergency medical care in order to help their co vulnerable children in the event of Disaster.

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