

**ASDMA organised two-day workshop on ‘Review & inclusion of Earthquake-Resistant Construction Technology in the Curriculum of ITIs’ on 3rd & 4th April, 2017**

Assam being marked in the severe seismic zone, one of the major steps towards earthquake risk mitigation is to make built environment safer. Though design and technologies for earthquake resistant structures are available, it is a fact that the masons are mostly not trained nor certified and hence translating the designs at the field level remains untouched.

A large number of practicing masons in Assam have learnt the trade of building construction from hands-on experience in the field or adopted by many generations within a family. Such traditionally owned practices need to be supported by skill enhancement and new technologies. There is an immense need to train huge number of masons in earthquake-resistant construction technologies throughout the State to make our built environment earthquake resilient. To achieve this goal, ASDMA has initiated training of masons across the State, but the number is still very minimal compared to the huge force that operates at the field level.



Moreover, in the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2017 in ASDMA’s Conference Hall, the Hon’ble Minister for State, Govt of Assam, Revenue & Disaster Management Department had given direction to Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA) to organize a workshop for review & inclusion of Earthquake-Resistant Construction Technology in the Curriculum of Industrial Training Institute (ITI) in Assam.

Accordingly, ASDMA organized two-day workshop on ‘**Review & inclusion of Earthquake-Resistant Construction Technology in the Curriculum of ITIs**’ on 3<sup>rd</sup>& 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2017 at ASDMA Conference Hall in collaboration with Directorate of Employment & Craftsmen Training.