

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Mock Drill Conducted at Government Saw Mill, Chatham**

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A Disaster Safety Awareness mock drill was conducted at the Government Saw Mill, Chatham, under the Department of Environment and Forests, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, on 02.02.2026 to enhance emergency preparedness among workers.

About 30 staff members participated in the drill, which was conducted under the guidance of Shri. C.S. Mohammed Haneefa, Forest Ranger, Shri. Binu Pappan, Forest Ranger, Shri. Prakash Kerketta, Head Constable, Fire Service, and Shri. Suresh Charan, Pharmacist, In-charge Dispensary, Chatham.

The mock drill included simulation of various emergency scenarios such as activities of the warning and announcement system, evacuation to higher safe ground following tsunami alert procedures, emergency communication with fire and medical teams, fire safety demonstrations, rescue of injured persons, and first-aid assistance. Participants were assembled at a designated safe area and emergency coordination procedures were explained.

The exercise successfully strengthened awareness and preparedness for disaster management among the staff and workers, a press release from Forest Deptt.

