



**DIRECTORATE GENERAL
FIRE SERVICES, HOME GUARDS & CIVIL DEFENCE,
ODISHA**

FIRE SERVICE CIRCULAR ORDER NO. 16, DTD. 19.2.21

Sub: Duties and Responsibilities of “Fire Service Striking Force” of Odisha Fire Service.

1. “Fire Striking Force” of Odisha Fire Service has been made functional at OFDRI, Naraj, Cuttack w.e.from 01.02.2021. The officers and men comprising 50 personnel have been attached to the Striking Force as per Office Order No. 639/FS, Date.01.02.2021.They will be normally known as FAST, acronym for “Fire And Special Response Team”.
2. The Striking force shall be equipped with all types of search and rescue gears for enforcement as a disaster response force as and when necessary. Besides, they shall be engaged for “Mock Evacuation Drills” and “Demonstration programs” to create public awareness on Fire Safety, disaster mitigation and capacity building.
3. They will act as trainers for the training institute of Odisha Fire Service, public and private undertaking and bodies.
4. They will conduct weekly Fire exit drills, (mock drills), Evacuation drills in different places like schools, colleges, malls, shopping complexes, cinema halls, hospitals, railway stations, bus stands etc and their activities shall be recorded in both soft and hard copies and sent to FS Directorate every month for records. All local Fire Stations are required to aid and assist the” Striking Fire” during such activities. The weekly routine of Fire Striking Force will be as follows:-

ROUTINE OF STRIKING FORCE OF ODISHA FIRE SERVICE

Sl No.	Day	06:00 hrs to 06:45 hrs	7:00 hrs to 7:45 hrs	10:00 hrs to 11:45 hrs	16:00 hrs to 17:00 hrs	21:00 hrs
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Monday	Road running 5 km	PT/Squad drill	Maintenance of appliances & training	Team game, volley, Kabadi, Football etc.	Roll call.
2	Tuesday	-do-	-do-	-do-	-do-	-do-
3	Wednesday	Road running	Swimming	-do-	-do-	-do-
4	Thursday	Road running	Fatigue & cleaning	-do-	-do-	-do-
5	Friday	Road running	Swimming	-do-	-do-	-do-
6	Saturday	Road running	PT & squad drill	-do-	-do-	-do-
7	Sunday	Holiday				

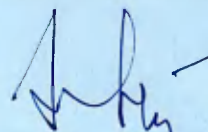
N.B. *This routine activities may change on special circumstances on approval of Chief Fire Officer, Odisha.*

5. In addition to disaster mitigation, the Fire Striking Force will perform F.P. duties in fairs and festivals on approval of Chief Fire Officer. At present Fire Service personnel are being mobilized from different Fire Stations for such duties from time to time putting stress over the Fire Stations having limited man power which should be discouraged.
6. The members of Striking Force have been brought on attachment from light fire stations on the basis of fulfilling the following eligibility criteria but Government shall be moved in course of time for sanction of posts for Fire Striking Force.

7. Eligibility Criteria For Striking Force.

- a. He must be physically fit, mentally agile and should have willingness to work as part of Striking Force.
- b. The eligibility of continuation shall be reviewed at the end of every year.
- c. They may be utilized as training resources.

8. The jurisdiction of operation and mobilization of Striking Force will be vested with Director Fire Service/ Chief Fire Officer, Odisha. They can be mobilized inside the State only on approval of Chief Fire Officer and beyond state on approval DGP, Fire Services.
9. The members of Striking Force shall be entitled to get T.A. and D.A. as admissible or fixed by OSDMA for their duties towards disaster mitigation and public awareness programs.
10. One Deputy Fire Officer being assisted by one Assistant Fire Officer will look after and supervise the activities of this Striking Fire Force. During outside State Mission, this unit will be mobilized first. This will function in the same manner like that of N.D.R.F. This specialized group shall be mobilized to the site of disasters of greater scale and magnitude only.
11. All appliances, equipment, articles, forms and stationeries, POL, spare parts, logistics etc. shall be supplied to Striking Force by Chief Fire Officer, Odisha, Cuttack.
12. The transfers of Striking Force personnel shall be taken-up by Transfer Committee of this F.S. Directorate.
13. All equipment, appliances, rescue gears, furniture etc. shall be procured by Provisioning of Fire Service Directorate during central purchase. The minor purchases shall be made by Chief Fire Officer as per rules.



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