

Avoidable Deaths Network's Summer Bulletin

The Avoidable Deaths Network (ADN) is pleased to announce the upcoming events, which will be held in different countries, across the globe and through the Summer season.

There are two types of events: closed and open. The closed events are facilitated for closed audiences or participants. The participants are, generally speaking, policymakers, NGOs and first responders involved in risk, crisis, disasters and development activities in low-and middle-income countries. The open events are facilitated for the general public, ADN's Affiliates and Partners. These Sessions are suitable for disaster responders, students, academics, researchers, policymakers, opinion formers, and practitioners interested in avoidable deaths, the UN's Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction's Global Targets A and B, and the Sustainable Development Goals.

The details of the upcoming events for the Summer season are below.

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Upcoming Events:

Thursday 25 May 2023: Virtual Consultation on [*Exploring the Feasibility and Value of Pioneering Partnerships to Reduce Avoidable Snakebite Deaths in India*](#). This closed sessions will take place virtually with stakeholders in India, consisting of health care professionals, emergency service professionals and professionals concerned with public awareness, technical, financial and policy support, snake behaviours and environments, and anti-venom issues. The aim of the consultation is to identify the issues of concern to professionals from different occupations and perspectives working towards the common goal of reducing snakebite deaths in India.



Naja Naja in India. Copyright © Vivek Sharma, Biologist

Wednesday, 31 May 2023: Special Session on [Stories of Resource Scarcity, Security and Sustainability of South Asian Women](#). This open session will be held virtually at 13:30 SLST/ GMT+5:30, facilitated by Professor Deepthi Wickramasinghe (SAADRI – Sri Lanka Chapter, University of Colombo) as part of the Special Session Webinar Series on [Women’s Stories of Survival, Innovation, Resilience and Development](#). Registration is now open.

Tuesday, 6 June 2023: Special lecture on *How Can We Ensure Sexual And Reproductive Health Rights During Disasters*. This lecture will be delivered by Dr. Nibedita Ray-Bennett at the Crime, (In)Justice, Human Rights International Summer School, at the University of Leicester’s School of Criminology. The International Summer School is organised by the University of Leicester and the University of the West Indies. For more information, please [click here](#).

Tuesday 20 and Wednesday 21 June 2023: Two-Day Symposium on [Exploring the Feasibility and Value of Pioneering Partnerships to Reduce Avoidable Snakebite Deaths in India](#)¹. This Symposium will take place in Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India, facilitated by Mr. Dillip Pattanaik, Regional Coordinator, ADN Hub India Lead and Executive Director of the Orissa State Volunteers and Social Workers Association. Day One will host a closed, half-day Brainstorming Workshop with 20 participants, where the Community Leaflet and Roadmap will be the focus. Day Two will host an open, full-day Symposium, consisting of i. Inaugural Session, ii. Risk Reduction Session, iii. Technical Session, iv. Non-Technical Session, and v. Closing Session. The Symposium will be

held in hybrid format, with 100 participants invited to attend in-person. More details will be announced soon.



Women working in a field next to a Russells Viper in India. Copyright © Gnaneswar Ch, Madras Crocodile Bank Trust and Centre for Herpetology

Friday, 23 June 2023: High-Level Round Table Meeting on [Exploring the Feasibility and Value of Pioneering Partnerships to Reduce Avoidable Snakebite Deaths in India](#)¹. This meeting will take place in New Delhi, India, facilitated by Col. Sanjay Srivastava, Disaster and Climate Risk Management Expert within the Government of India, and Chairman of the Climate Resilient Observing Systems Promotion Council. This closed meeting will engage with Ministers and Government Officials on i. the findings of the Virtual Consultations and Two-Day Symposium, ii. Remark from In-House Technical Expert, and iii. Open Discussion and Soliciting Support. More details will be announced soon.

Friday, 7 July 2023: Special Session on *Women's and Children's Rights - Building the Ecosystem for Breastfeeding*. Facilitated by Dr. Sari Andajani and Dr. Eilidh Thorburn (BRIDGE Network, Auckland University of Technology), this open session will be held virtually as part of the Special Session Webinar Series on [Women's Stories of Survival, Innovation, Resilience and Development](#). More details will be announced soon.

Friday, 7 July 2023: Hama Elementary School Visit. As part of the project [School Pupils in Osaka are Champions for Avoidable Deaths from Tsunamis](#), ADN's Junior Champions will welcome

international delegates from Taiwan to showcase 12 disaster risk reduction games developed under the guidance of Dr. Hideyuki Shiroshita.



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Wednesday, 12 July 2023: Webinar on *The value of big data for rapid disaster response*. This session will be presented by Dr. Tarun Katapally, the Canada Research Chair in Digital Health for Equity; Associate Professor, Faculty of Health Sciences; Cross-Appointed Associate Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Biostatistics; and Director, DEPtH Lab at Western University. This closed session will be held virtually at 10:00 EST/ GMT-5 as part of the *ADN Friends' Webinar* series exclusively for ADN Members with the aim of increased learning and collaboration. To join ADN, please [click here](#).

Tuesday, 25 July 2023: Special Session on *World Drowning Prevention Day*. This open session will be held virtually to mark the World Health Organisation's (WHO) [World Drowning Prevention Day](#). More details will be announced soon.



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Friday, 4 August 2023: Webinar on *Decolonizing Disaster Research from Indigenous Community-led Perspectives*. This session will be presented by ADN Regional Coordinators, Dr. Jebunnessa Chapola (Postdoctoral Fellow at the Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Regina) and Dr. Ranjan Datta (Canada Research Chair in Community Disaster Research and Assistant Professor at Indigenous Studies, Department of Humanities, Mount Royal University); and Junior Champion, Miss Prarthona Datta. This closed session will be held virtually at 14:00 BST/ GMT+1 as part of the *ADN Friends' Webinar* series exclusively for ADN Members with the aim of increased learning and collaboration.

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