

HISTORY OF FIRE SERVICE

Till, the Fire Services in the U.T. of Goa, Daman and Diu functioned as part of the Police Department. There was only 01 Fire station under the supervision of a Station Fire Officer. The situation was reviewed and on 21st January 1984, a separate Department was created for Fire Service. It was later renamed as the Department of Fire & Emergency Services as per direction of D.G.C.D. (F), MHA, New Delhi.

The Fire Station was set up in the Daman by the erstwhile U.T. of Goa, Daman & Diu on 01-11-1985 and in Diu on 21-11-1991 after de-linking of Daman & Diu from Goa state. Thereafter, two more Fire Stations has conveyed sanction each at Moti Daman and Bhimpore by Government of India in the year 2005 and 2011 respectively. The Fire Station, Moti Daman has been set up on 22-12-2006 and setting up of Fire Station, Bhimpore is under process.

The U.T. of Daman and Diu Fire & Emergency Services is constituted under the Goa, Daman and Diu Fire Force Act 1986. It is headed by the Inspector General of Police, Daman & Diu who is designated as Director of Fire & Emergency Services assisted by the Asstt. Divisional Fire Officer. Besides fulfilling the main objectives of fire prevention, fire protection, fire fighting and rescue, the department generally attends emergency calls which are not directly connected with fire, in order to help the people in distress. Over the years it has attained a multi-dimensional role in saving and protecting life and property of the people with its activities in fire prevention, fire protection, fire suppression and training. The department is being developed to provide effective fire & emergency coverage to the people and property in the U.T. The sanctioned strength of the Daman & Diu Fire & Emergency Services is 115 including officers. It provides round the clock duties with the set up of 03 fire stations situated at Nani Daman, Moti Daman, Diu and a new Fire Station to be set up at Bhimpore which is recently sanctioned by the Govt. of India. Each Fire Station is headed by Station Fire officer/Officer-in-charge, who are being supervised by the Asstt. Divisional Fire Officer located at Somnath, Nani Daman for operational and administrative purpose.