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Why This Course

As organizations become increasingly dependent on technology, data, and interconnected operations, the impact of disruptions has grown significantly. Cyber incidents, system failures, natural disasters, and operational crises can threaten service continuity, reputation, and organizational survival. Effective disaster recovery management is therefore a critical leadership capability—not just a technical function.

The **Certified Disaster Recovery Manager CDRM Program** is a comprehensive one-week course designed to prepare professionals to lead disaster recovery initiatives with confidence and structure. The program provides an end-to-end approach to disaster recovery management, covering planning, risk assessment, business impact analysis, testing, crisis leadership, and continuous improvement.

By combining international best practices with hands-on planning and simulation exercises, the course equips participants to manage recovery efforts effectively and integrate disaster recovery into broader business continuity and resilience frameworks.

What You'll Learn and Practice

By the end of this program, participants will be able to:

- Design and implement comprehensive disaster recovery plans
- Conduct structured risk assessments and business impact analyses BIA
- Define and apply recovery time objectives RTO and recovery point objectives RPO
- Develop and execute disaster recovery testing and maintenance programs
- Lead and coordinate disaster recovery teams during crisis situations
- Integrate disaster recovery with business continuity management
- Apply lessons learned to strengthen organizational resilience

The Program Flow 1-Week Structure

Day 1 - Foundations of Disaster Recovery

- Core disaster recovery concepts, terminology, and objectives
- Regulatory frameworks, standards, and best practices
- The disaster recovery lifecycle: planning, implementation, response, and improvement
- Roles, responsibilities, and governance in disaster recovery management



Day 2 - Risk Assessment & Business Impact Analysis

- Risk assessment methodologies and threat identification
- Conducting a structured business impact analysis BIA
- Identifying critical business functions and dependencies
- Defining recovery priorities, RTOs, and RPOs

Day 3 - Disaster Recovery Planning

- Designing a practical and scalable disaster recovery plan structure
- Selecting appropriate recovery strategies and solutions
- Data backup, restoration, and technology recovery approaches
- Crisis communication planning and escalation procedures

Day 4 - Implementation & Testing

- Implementing disaster recovery plans across the organization
- Designing and conducting disaster recovery tests
- Table-top exercises, simulations, and scenario-based drills
- Evaluating test results and improving recovery readiness

Day 5 - Crisis Management & Continuous Improvement

- Leadership and decision-making during disaster recovery events
- Coordinating with internal teams, vendors, and external stakeholders
- Post-incident reviews and lessons-learned analysis
- Continual improvement of disaster recovery and resilience processes

Individual Impact

Participants will leave the program with:

- A complete, practical framework for disaster recovery management
- A customized disaster recovery plan template ready for use
- Stronger leadership skills for crisis and recovery situations
- Enhanced confidence in managing complex disruptions
- Professional readiness for certification as a Disaster Recovery Manager

Organizational Impact

Organizations will benefit through:



- Faster and more effective recovery from disruptions
- Reduced downtime and operational losses
- Improved coordination between IT, operations, and leadership
- Stronger integration between disaster recovery and business continuity
- Greater organizational resilience and preparedness

Training Methodology

The program follows a highly applied, leadership-focused learning approach, including:

- Real-world disaster recovery case studies
- Risk assessment and BIA workshops
- Disaster recovery planning and testing exercises
- Table-top simulations and crisis scenarios
- Practical tools, templates, and frameworks for immediate application

Beyond the Course

After completing the program, participants will be ready to:

- Lead disaster recovery programs with authority and confidence
- Design, test, and maintain effective recovery capabilities
- Coordinate recovery efforts during high-pressure crisis situations
- Strengthen long-term organizational resilience and continuity

