



#### **Foreword**

This interactive illustrative story book is developed under UNESCO's regular programme entitled "capacity development for disaster risk reduction and conflict resolution through peace and human rights education". The purpose of this publication is to help younger children understand disaster and remain prepared about what to do and what not to do prior to, during and after the disaster. The situations outlined in this publication are expected to promote ideas of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) especially amongst children. It has adapted the work of Mr. Justin Edward Sharpe, a researcher and an activist engaged in developing and promoting education for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) in United Kingdom. All the comics, story lines and montages/scenes were created by Mr. Justin Edward Sharpe while the characters were created by Mr. John A Abbott of Jot Studios.

Today's children bear a disproportionate share of the impact of disasters, both in the immediate and longer-term. Children are highly vulnerable to climate change and disaster impacts, while those living in marginal environment and situation of poverty are more vulnerable still. One of the most tragic aspects of the 8 October 2005 earthquake in Pakistan was the death of a large number of school-age children whose lives could have been saved had they been educated about DRR. Hence, development of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) learning interactive materials especially for children is of immense importance.

The distribution of this publication to different schools in disaster prone areas of Pakistan will immensely contribute to raising awareness amongst the masses. It will definitely serve as an effective advocacy tool across the country.

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Introducing the Characters...

## Bablu

Silly Bablu is so-called because he gets hurt by hazards when he is unsure what to do!
But he does LEARN! Which is not Silly!



## Rubi & Mani

Bablu's friends are nice but not always very wise! They are often seen playing with Bablu when he does something Silly!





# His Family

Bablu lives with his Amma, Dada Abu & his beloved Dog, Moti! They love him, but are not very wise when it comes to disaster preparation!



## Mystery Girl

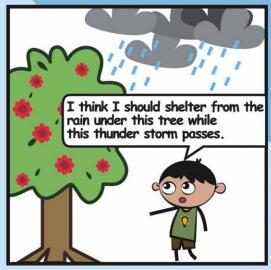
The mystery girl is the new girl in the neighbourhood who also knows Disaster Risk Reduction as much as Disaster Master.

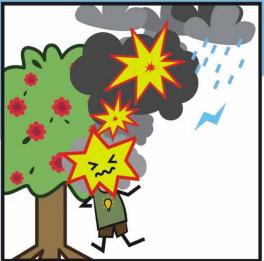




### Disaster Master

Disaster Master Ali looks after Bablu, especially when he has hurt himself!
But Bablu doesn't know he does!
Ali has knowledge about Disaster Risk Reduction, that can help!

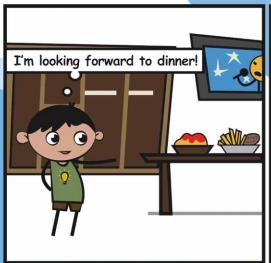




Silly Bablu, you know you shouldn't hide under a tree in a thunder storm! Lightning can kill.. I won't always be around to revive you, although CPR\* would work too!



\* CPR = Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation















After Bablu's recent adventures & after checking that there were no electricity cables by the water, he decided to play in it as it was so hot outside...







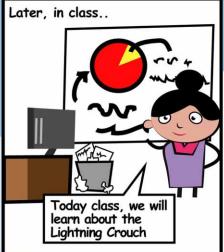














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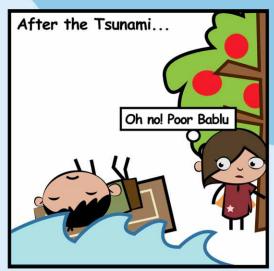










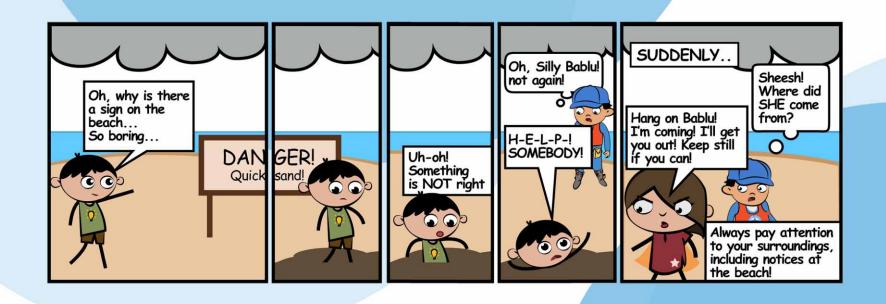
















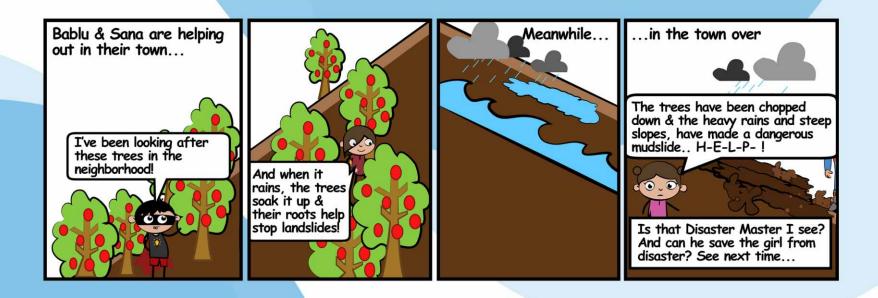


















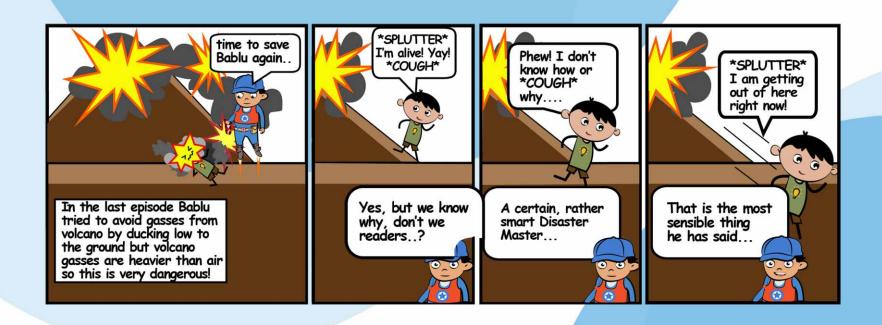




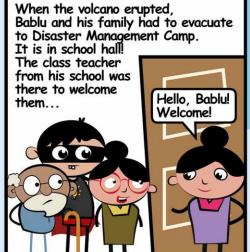










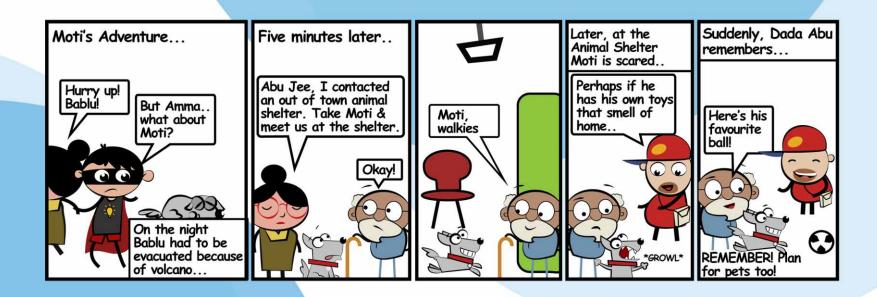


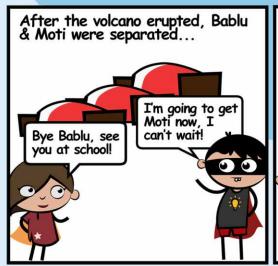


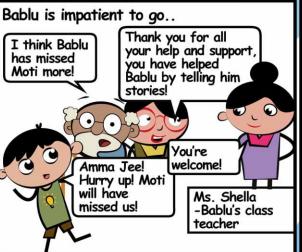






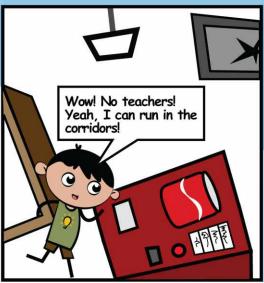








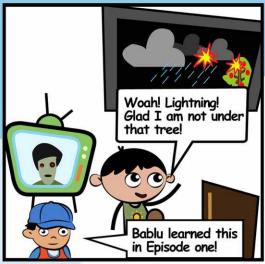


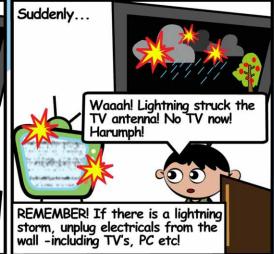


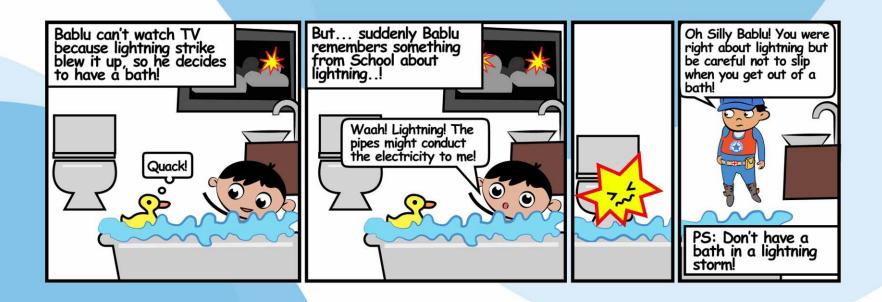




















If there is a fire, NEVER, grab the door handle, gently touch with the back of your hand.

In the last episode, Bablu was awoken by the smoke alarm...



Bablu doesn't have a towel, but makes some clothes wet with drinking water and shoves them in the gap!



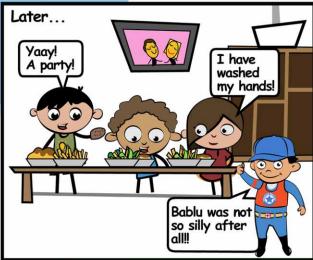
Bablu uses his smart phone...

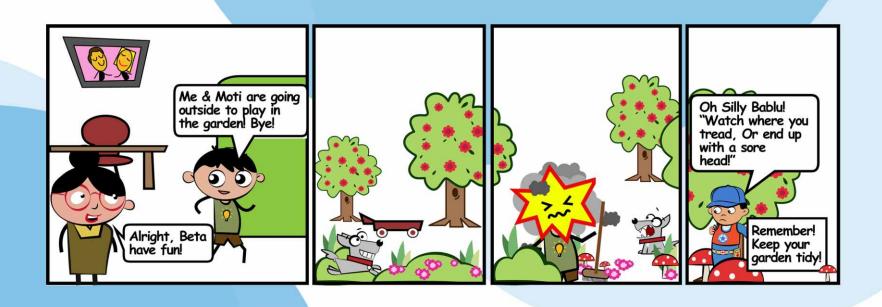


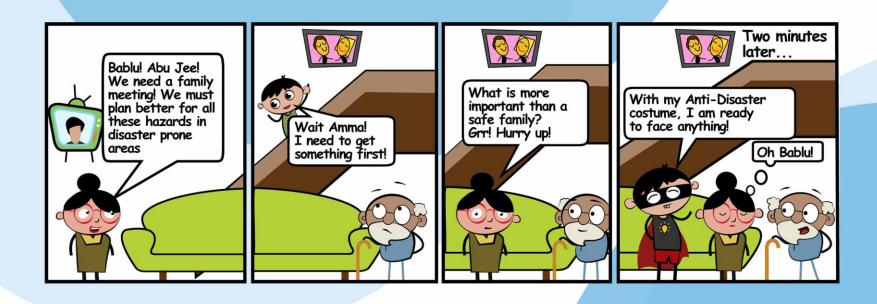




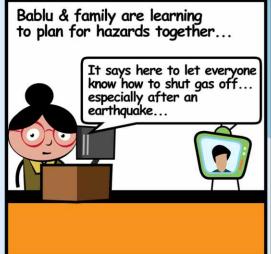














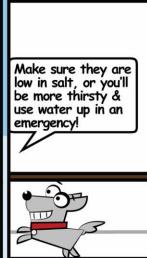






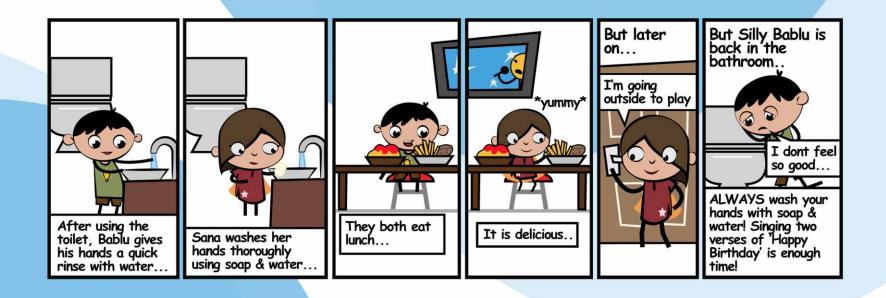


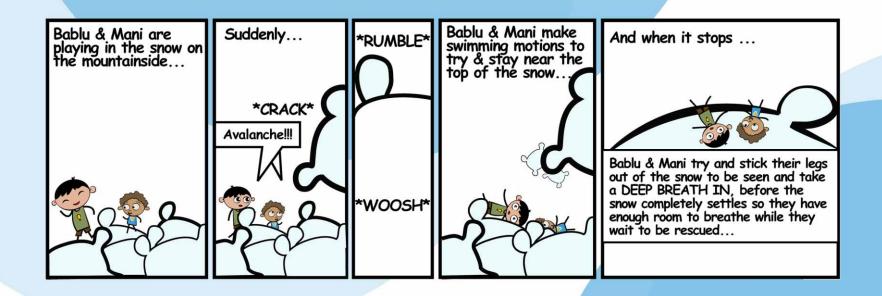




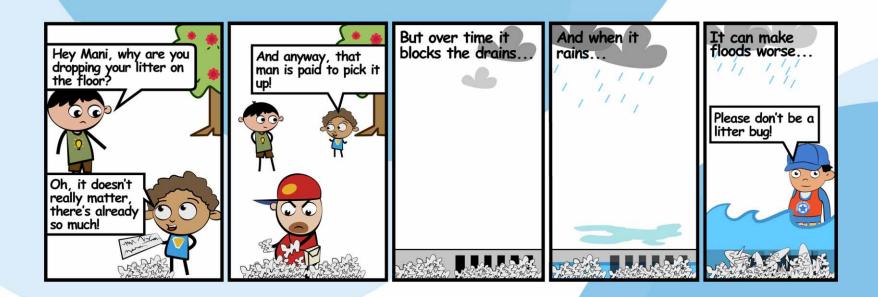


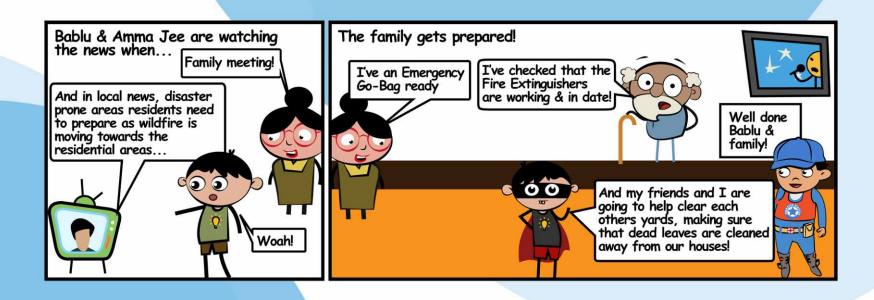






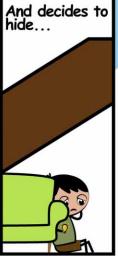




















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