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As the unrelenting scourges of climate change, global warming, unsustainable growth and crass commercialisation - at the cost of environmental degradation - tighten their vice-like grip on planet Earth, disasters are occurring with increasing frequency and ferocity. **How far are you from the next flood, earthquake, tsunami, fire, gas leak or radiation hazard?**

Throughout history, soldiers, sailors and airmen around the world have been at the forefront in responding to disasters; saving lives, bringing succour and dispensing aid. Yet, the hidden truth is that militaries are not optimally trained, equipped, organised or mandated to undertake such specialised humanitarian tasks. There is huge scope for them to accrue much higher 'peace-dividends' in serving humanity.

Exhibiting true 'Thought Leadership', this scholarly treatise offers an array of exciting new perspectives to optimise the world's militaries for higher efficiencies in disaster response, thus narrowing the worrying gap in mankind's coping capabilities. A must for all those involved in disaster operations across the globe; especially the military, para-military, civil-defence, police and other emergency services; it offers valuable insights for policy-makers, practitioners, students and stakeholders.

Futuristic, provocative and insightful, this rare book has global appeal and world-wide relevance. Brilliantly researched, convincingly argued and lucidly presented, it makes compelling reading. You simply cannot put it away, the book will jump right back at you and demand action – NOW!



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