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1. Open House of NICEE with a Short Course on SAP

The annual Earthquake Engineering Open House of NICEE is scheduled to be held at IIT Kanpur during Nov 16 – 25, 2015. The open house is held with the aim to enable postgraduate students to conduct literature survey for their thesis related to earthquake engineering issues and interact with the faculty and professionals. The Open House also welcomes professional engineers and architects to help them familiarize themselves with enormous literature available at NICEE on design and construction of safe habitat.

The Short Course on SAP (for students only) will be conducted during Nov 23 – 25, 2015. A nominal fee of ₹ 5,000/- per participant will be charged for the course. For further details or any queries please contact: Suresh Ailawadi at Tele - 0512 – 259 7749, Fax – 0512 – 259 7794 or E-mail: asuresh@iitk.ac.in

2. Literature Review Workshop for Post Graduate Students

The Annual Workshop for post graduate students pursuing their masters or doctorate degree with thesis in earthquake engineering is scheduled to be held during June 02-11, 2016 at IIT Kanpur. The aim of this workshop was to provide an access to the students to quality research material so that they can do a thorough literature review for their

thesis. For details about previous workshops please visit http://www.nicee.org/MTech_Workshop/ . For further details or any queries please contact: Suresh Ailawadi at Tele - 0512 - 259 7749, Fax - 0512 - 259 7794 or E-mail: asuresh@iitk.ac.in

3. Workshop for Under Graduate Architecture Students in Third Year

A workshop for Architecture students is scheduled to be held at IIT Kanpur during June 13 - 18, 2016. The aim of this workshop is to draw the attention of Architecture students towards keeping the earthquake engineering aspects in view while designing their structures. For details about previous workshops please visit http://www.nicee.org/Architecture_Workshop/ . For further details or any queries please contact: Suresh Ailawadi at Tele - 0512 - 259 7749, Fax - 0512 - 259 7794 or Email: asuresh@iitk.ac.in

4. Inter-School Quiz Competition based on IITK-BMTPC Earthquake Tips 2015-16

Enthused by the success of the Inter School Quiz Competition based on IITK-BMTPC Earthquake Tips for the last six years, invitations letters have been sent to schools for the participation in the quiz during 2015-16. For further details please visit http://www.nicee.org/Quiz/quiz.htm . Members willing to conduct the preliminary round of quiz in their city of residence may please contact: Suresh Ailawadi at Tele - 0512 – 259 7749, Fax – 0512 – 259 7794 or E-mail: asuresh@iitk.ac.in

5. IITK-BMTPC Earthquake Tips Punjabi Translation

The Punjabi translation of Earthquake Tips 7 and 8 has been uploaded at http://www.nicee.org/EQTips.php . NICEE expresses its gratitude to Er. Karnail Singh for undertaking the translation work and Prof. Ashok Tiwari for completing the review in a timely and professional manner.

6. Intimation Regarding Change of Postal Address/email id

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that we currently more than 13,400 subscribers on NICEE list. At times we face problem of our mails being blocked by the outside servers with the presumption that we are spamming.

We would therefore like to request you to please do inform us as and when you switch over from one email id to another. We will stop sending mails to your old email id and will subscribe your current email id to nicee-list so that you continue to receive communication from NICEE.

Similarly, it is our earnest request that please do let us know whenever you want us to change your postal address and we will update our records. You may please inform us by sending a mail to nicee@iitk.ac.in.

7. SAP/ETABS Software Distribution for Institutes

SAP/ETABS software is available for distribution from CSI Engineering Software Pvt. Ltd. for use in the institutes, free of cost, through NICEE. Processing fee of Rs. 20,000/-will be charged, hence forth, by NICEE for the purpose. For further details and downloading of application form please visit http://www.nicee.org/npeee/CSIEducationalSoftware.pdf . For individual requirements please contact CSI India directly at info@csiespl.com

8. RESIST Software Available for Individual Users

RESIST Software is now available for individual users. A copy of the same can be requested from NICEE on payment of Rs. 2,000/-. For further details please visit http://www.nicee.org/npeee/showpage.php?id=149 and for any queries please contact: Suresh Ailawadi at Tele - 0512 - 259 7749, Fax - 0512 - 259 7794 or E-mail: asuresh@iitk.ac.in, nicee@iitk.ac.in

9. EERI e-affiliate Membership

EERI is offering e-affiliate membership. For further details regarding advantages and membership form, please visit http://www.nicee.org/eeri_affiliate/E-AffiliateBrochure.pdf . The membership form duly filled with membership fee of Rs. 1,600/- for the current year can be sent to NICEE. Filled forms can be scanned and sent to nicee@iitk.ac.in and payment made online at http://www.nicee.org/NICEE_donation.php choosing "EERI Membership" as the option. Existing members can renew their membership by paying online or through a cheque/ DD drawn in favour of "National Information Centre of Earthquake Engineering" payable at Kanpur. Existing members need to fill in the form again only if there is any change in the information given by them earlier.

10. Calendar of Events

Please visit http://www.nicee.org/Calender.pdf for latest update on world wide events related to Earthquake Engineering.

11. Workshop on Safety Analysis of Dams in Accordance with National/ International Guidelines, Sep 09-11, 2015, Lausanne, Switzerland

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12. Short Course on Geotechnical Investigation for Structural Engineering, Oct 15-17, 2015, Gandhinagar, India

A short course on Geotechnical Investigation for Structural Engineering is being organized by Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar, Palaj, Gandhinagar during Oct 15-17, 2015. For further details please visit http://www.iitgn.ac.in/GISE2015/

13. Newsletter of Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI), USA

The format of the *EERI Newsletter* has changed and it is now available bimonthly, called 'The Pulse'. The latest newsletter is available online at: https://www.eeri.org/cohost/member-resources/pulse. The back issues can be viewed at https://www.eeri.org/cohost/member-resources/pulse/archives

Following are selected contents of the Newsletter:

- Call for Nominations for the 2016 Bruce Bolt Medal
- Updates to EERI Strategic Plan, Policy Statements
- Links to Recent News and Views

Publications

- Nearly Half of Americans Exposed to Potentially Damaging Earthquakes
- Special Issue of Earthquake Spectra to Feature USGS Maps

Announcements

• ATC Webinars on NEHRP Seismic Design Technical Briefs

14. Earthquake Hazard Centre Newsletter

The July 2015 issue of Earthquake Hazard Centre Newsletter of the School of Architecture, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand can be read or downloaded from http://www.victoria.ac.nz/architecture/centres/earthquake-hazard-centre.

The contents are as follows:

- Editorial
- Earthquake-resistant Construction of Adobe Buildings: A Tutorial
- Construction and Maintenance of Masonry Houses: For Masons and Craftsmen
- Seismic Design Guide for Low-rise Confined Masonry Buildings
- At Risk: The Seismic Performance of Reinforced Concrete Frame Buildings with Masonry Infill Walls
- Improving the Seismic Performance of Stone Masonry Buildings

15. Recent Donors to NICEE

NICEE thanks the recent donors for their generous contribution:

Rs. 4,000/- to Rs. 19,999/-

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