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Details:

1. "Openings in Masonry Infills" Paper in Earthquake Spectra

A research paper on "Lateral Stiffness of Masonry Infilled Reinforced Concrete (RC) Frames with Central Opening" by Goutam Mondal and Sudhir K. Jain of IIT Kanpur has been published in the journal "Earthquake Spectra", Volume 24, No. 3, pp 701-723, August 2008. This is based on MTech thesis of Mr Mondal submitted to IIT Kanpur. The paper can be viewed at the website http://www.nicee.org/RP_2008.php.

2. Earthquake Tips in Marathi

IITK-BMTPC Earthquake Tip no. 18, in Marathi, has been uploaded and is now available on the NICEE site at <http://www.nicee.org/EQTips.php>. Comments if any may be forwarded to NICEE at nicee@itk.ac.in.

3. The Ninth U.S. National and Tenth Canadian Conference on Earthquake Engineering being held at Toronto, Canada, during July 25-29, 2010

The Ninth U.S. National and Tenth Canadian Conference on Earthquake Engineering is scheduled to be held at Toronto, Canada during July 25 to 29, 2010. It will provide an opportunity for both researchers and practitioners to share the latest knowledge and techniques for understanding and mitigating the effects of earthquakes. This conference is being held with the intention to bring together professionals from a broad range of disciplines, including architecture, structural engineering, seismology, geology, geophysics, geotechnical engineering, social response, regional planning, emergency response planning, and regulation.

For further details please log on to www.2010eqconf.org.

4. Proceedings of the Sixth International Conference on Case Histories in Geotechnical Engineering and Symposium in Honor of Professor James K. Mitchell

The proceedings of the Sixth International Conference on Case Histories in Geotechnical Engineering and Symposium in honor of Professor James K. Mitchell are now available. These proceedings contain 336 papers from 720 authors from 53 countries and represent

the state of the art and practice around the world. The proceedings may be ordered by visiting the website www.6icchge2008.org.

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

August 2008 issue of EERI Newsletter is now available online at:

http://www.eeri.org/cds_publications/newsletter/2008_pdf/Aug08.pdf

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- 2: China Earthquake Geospatial Research Portal
- 2: Heritage Prize solicitation of nominations (due 12-1-08)
- 2: EERI Member Discount for Heritage Sites Publication
- 3: Subscribing Member News: Forell/Elsesser, CSI, FM Global, Kinometrics
- 4: Lori Dengler Scholar of the Year at Humboldt State
- 4: EERI Interdisciplinary Research White Paper Available Online
- 5: EERI Annual Student Paper Competition announcement (papers due 11-3-08)

Alerts:

- 6: Call: TCLEE Conference abstracts, due 11-1-08
- 6: Call: Eastern SSA Meeting, abstracts due 9-1-08
- 6: RFP: Municipality of Anchorage, proposals due 8-19-08
- 6: Meeting announcements: CSMIP08 and Abdel-Ghaffar Symposium
- 8: NEES TIPS Online Survey
- 8. NEES Operations Solicitation, intent letters due 9-3-08

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