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### **1. Workshop for Under Graduate Architecture Students in Third Year**

A workshop for Architecture students was held at IIT Kanpur during July 06 - 11, 2015. The workshop was attended by 35 participants of 13 colleges from 9 cities (Bangalore, Bhopal, Coimbatore, Jaipur, Nagpur, Ranchi, Solapur, Surat and Trivandrum) all over India. The aim of this workshop was to sensitize the students of architecture in earthquake resistant design practices through technical lectures followed by design studios where they were given guidance in earthquake resistant design by working on an architectural design project. The following faculty members were the resource persons of the workshop:

- (a) Prof. Vasudha Gokhale, Dr. B.N. College of Architecture for Women, Pune
- (b) Prof. Meera Shirolkar, Dr. B.N. College of Architecture for Women, Pune
- (c) Prof Atanu Dutta, Jorhat Engineering College, Jorhat
- (d) Prof. Indrani Gogoi, Assam Engineering Institute, Guwahati
- (e) Mr. Hari Kumar, GeoHazards International, Delhi
- (f) Ar. Ruchira Das, Practicing Architect, Kolkatta

The design prepared by the participants will be evaluated on July 11, 2015 by a team of jury consisting of the following members.

- (a) Prof. Mahesh Tandon, TCPL Delhi
- (b) Prof. OR Jaiswal, VNIT Nagpur

- (c) Ar. Rajeev Kacker, COA Lucknow
- (d) Ar. Narendranath Mitra, Practicing Architect, Kolkatta

The participants attained a satisfaction level of 82.71%. The best three designs were from the following participants.

**First**

Ms. Palak Hirawat, SMMCA Nagpur  
Ms. Liz Mariya Jacob, CAT Trivandrum

**Second**

Ms. Molsirie Nandanwar, SMMCA Nagpur  
Ms. Attreyee Goshe, MSRIT Bangalore

**Third**

Ms. Monika Surve, SSSMCA Solapur  
Ms. Ayushi Chandani, MANIT Bhopal  
Mr. Ayush Sitholay, VNIT Nagpur

This workshop is supported by CSIR New Delhi, MoES New Delhi, and all donors and supporters of National Information Centre of Earthquake Engineering. For details about previous workshops please visit [http://www.nicee.org/Architecture\\_Workshop/](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 E-mail: [asuresh@iitk.ac.in](mailto:asuresh@iitk.ac.in) . Next workshop is likely to be held in the first week of July 2016.

**2. 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](mailto:asuresh@iitk.ac.in)

**3. 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 likely 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/](http://www.nicee.org/MTech_Workshop/) . For further details or any queries please

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#### **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](mailto:asuresh@iitk.ac.in)

#### **5. IITK-BMTPC Earthquake Tips Punjabi Translation**

The Punjabi translation of Earthquake Tips 5 and 6 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:asuresh@iitk.ac.in), [nicee@iitk.ac.in](mailto: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](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](mailto:nicee@iitk.ac.in) and payment made online at [http://www.nicee.org/NICEE\\_donation.php](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**

Workshop on Safety Analysis of Dams in Accordance with National/ International Guidelines is scheduled to be held during September 09-11, 2015 at Lausanne, Switzerland. For further details please visit <http://icold2015bmw.epfl.ch/index.php/programme>

## **12. 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:

- 2016 EERI Board Election Nominees
- EERI Strategic Plan Updated
- EERI/FEMA NEHRP Graduate Fellowship Awarded to Brett Maurer
- Learning from Earthquakes: EERI Nepal Earthquake Response and Briefings

- Haresh C. Shah Honored in Singapore
- EERI Post-Graduation Interns: Summer 2015

*Publications*

- Earthquake Dynamics of Structures Now Available in Digital Form

*Announcements*

- Take a Survey to Help Create a New ASCE/SEI 41 Guide
- DFI Seminar in Los Angeles, August 5–6, 2015
- DFI 40th Annual Conference in Oakland, CA, in October

**13. Recent Donors to NICEE**

NICEE thanks the recent donors for their generous contribution:

**Rs. 4,000/- to Rs. 19,999/-**  
Mahua Mukherjee, Roorkee