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Details:

1. Intimation Regarding Change of Postal Address/ email id

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that we currently have more than 10,000 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 .

2. Inter-School Quiz Competition based on IITK-BMTPC Earthquake Tips 2011-12

The preliminary rounds of the quiz are in full swing. The winners, (as per the list in the following table) will participate in the final round of the quiz which is scheduled to be held at Kanpur on February 07, 2011. A brief about the previous competitions can be viewed at <http://www.nicee.org/Quiz/> . 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

Date	City	Winner
October 19	Kanpur	Dr. Virendra Swarup, Avadhपुरi, Kanpur
November 02	Delhi	Green Fields School, Safdarjung, New Delhi
November 03	Lucknow	City Montessori School, Station Road, Lucknow
November 03	Delhi	ITL Public School, Dwarka, New Delhi
November 08	Ambala	Mukund Lal Public School, Yamuna Nagar
November 09	Chandigarh	Mount Carmel School, Chandigarh
November 12	Indore	Sainik School, Rewa
November 15	Nagpur	Bhavan's Bhagwandas Purohit Vidya Mandir, Nagpur
November 16	Delhi	Rishi Public School, Gurgaon
November 24	Shimla	Dayanand Public School, Shimla

The quiz at Delhi, Ambala, Chandigarh and Shimla was conducted by Mr. Hari Kumar, whilst at Indore and Nagpur was conducted by Prof. Rakesh Khare and Prof. OR Jaiswal. NICEE takes pride in the efforts put in by them and acknowledges with gratitude their unstinted support to NICEE activities.

3. Open House of NICEE

The annual Earthquake Engineering Open House of NICEE is scheduled to be held at IIT Kanpur during Dec 07 - 11, 2011. 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. You can apply online for the Open House on our website http://www.nicee.org/Open_House/index.php

4. Publication - Seismic Isolation for Designers and Structural Engineers

National Information Centre of Earthquake Engineering (NICEE) has recently published "Seismic Isolation for Designers and Structural Engineers" which is authored by Trevor E. Kelly of Holmes Consulting Group, R. Ivan Skinner and Bill (W. H.) Robinson of Robinson Seismic Limited. The book provides both theory and practical aspects of seismic isolation technique, which is an extract of more than three decades of in-hand experience on the seismic isolation systems by the authors. It contains the necessary mathematical tools and introduces the empirical methods with detailed design and documentation material of type that a structural engineer would need to implement isolation technique. The book has been nominally priced at Rs. 600/- (overseas order to add Rs. 1000/- to cover air-mail postage and handling). We have had an excellent response from NICEE fraternity. To view the contents of the book and/or order please visit http://www.nicee.org/New_Releases.htm

5. Housner Fellows Program

The Housner Fellows Program has been announced with the strategic objective to recognize and equip promising and motivated young to mid-career professionals with the confidence, skills, and sense of responsibility needed to exercise leadership in the mission of earthquake risk reduction in the work and volunteer settings of their choice throughout their careers. The program includes a one-week leadership institute, two years of mentoring, participation in the EERI Annual Meeting, and group and individual projects. For more information, visit <http://www.eeri.org/projects/housner-fellows-program/>

6. Post-Doctoral Opportunity at University of Bristol, UK

There exists a post-doctoral opportunity in the Civil Engineering Department at University of Bristol, UK. For further details please visit <http://www.jobs.ac.uk/job/ADL854/research-assistant>

7. International Conference on Earthquake Analysis and Design of Structures, December 01-03, 2011, Coimbatore

International Conference on Earthquake Analysis and Design of Structures is scheduled to be held during December 01-03, 2011 at Coimbatore. For further details please visit <http://www.psgtech.edu/eqads2011/index.htm>

8. 4th International Conference on Structural Stability and Dynamics, January 04-06, 2012, Jaipur

4th International Conference on Structural Stability and Dynamics is scheduled to be held during January 04-06, 2012 at Jaipur. For further details please visit <http://www.tamu.edu/faculty/jnreddy/acml/icssd2012/>

9. The International Conference on Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering, January 23 – 25, 2012, Luxor-Aswan, Egypt

The International Conference on Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering is scheduled to be held at Luxor-Aswan, Egypt during January 23 – 25, 2012. For further details please contact Prof. Mohamed A. Sakr, Conference Chairman at mamsakr@yahoo.com

10. 15th World Conference on Earthquake Engineering, September 24 – 28, 2012, Lisbon, Portugal

15th World Conference on Earthquake Engineering is scheduled to be held at Lisbon, Portugal during September 24 – 28, 2012. For further details please visit <http://www.15wcee.org/>

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

The November 2011 issue of the *EERI Newsletter* is now available online at:

<http://www.eeri.org/site/news/newsletter>

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13. Recent Donors to NICEE

NICEE thanks the recent donors for their generous contribution:

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