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The Principal

QUIZ ON EARTHQUAKE TIPS

Dear Sir/ Madam,

- I am writing this letter to intimate you regarding an important annual event of National Information Centre of Earthquake Engineering (NICEE) at IIT Kanpur viz., quiz based on IITK-BMTPC Earthquake Tips, which is being conducted since 2010. The preliminary rounds of the quiz will be held in your city or its vicinity and is likely during October to December 2024. The final, in which the winners of the preliminary rounds will participate, will be held at IIT Kanpur on January 26, 2025.
- 2. NICEE was established in IIT Kanpur with the mandate to empower all stakeholders in the building industry in seismic safety towards ensuring an earthquake resistant built environment. NICEE maintains and disseminates information resources on Earthquake Engineering. It undertakes community outreach activities aimed at mitigation of earthquake disasters. NICEE's target audience includes professionals, academics and all others with an interest in and concern for seismic safety.
- 3. A need has been felt for long to include school children, who are the future builders of the country, in this activity so that the mandate of NICEE is inculcated at the grass root level. As an initial step in this direction, first round of the inter school quiz based on IITK-BMTPC Earthquake Tips by Dr. CVR Murty was conducted on 26 January 2010 with schools from Kanpur, Allahabad, Lucknow and Gorakhpur, with the preliminary rounds being conducted during December 2009 and January 2010. Enthused by the success and the interest shown by the schools, this has been made an annual event of NICEE.
- 4. For this round of quiz, which will be oral, the registering schools will be given 50 copies of "Earthquake Tips" which can be used for selecting a team of four participants from each school from Class VIII to Class XI. The last date for registration is September 30, 2024. After the preliminary selection rounds, the final round of the quiz will be held on January 26, 2024. A nominal registration fee of Rs. 500/- per institute will be charged. The registration fee can be paid by cash or through a cheque/ DD payable to "National Information Centre of Earthquake Engineering" payable at Kanpur. An official receipt for the same will be issued from NICEE. Attractive cash prizes will be given to the winners of the final round. The members of the team who have participated in the previous year's rounds of the quiz will not be allowed to participate in the current round.
- 5. It is requested that participation of your esteemed institution for the above mentioned quiz may please be confirmed latest by September 30, 2024.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely

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