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To All Colleges of Architecture

Subject: **Workshop for Earthquake Resistant Practices for Students of Architecture at IIT Kanpur, during July 08 - 15, 2017**

Dear Sir/Madam:

For last five years, the National Information Centre of Earthquake Engineering (NICEE) at IIT Kanpur has conducted annual workshops for undergraduate students of architecture. This outreach to the architects of tomorrow is an integral part of NICEE's mandate to empower all stakeholders in the building industry in seismic safety towards ensuring an earthquake resistant built environment in our country. More than two hundred and fifty students from about 30 colleges all over India and Nepal participated in the 6 day intensive workshops.

This year's workshop **Earthquake Resistant Practices for Students of Architecture** is scheduled to be held at IIT Kanpur during **July 08-15, 2017**. The objective of this Workshop is to sensitize students of architecture in earthquake resistant design practices through technical lectures followed by design studios where they will be given hands-on guidance in earthquake resistant design by working on an architectural design project.

Architects, as initiators of projects, coordinate the team of professionals responsible for the building delivery process. At this juncture, there is an urgent need to reach out to tomorrow's architects through sensitization in seismic safety issues to better prepare them for their professional roles. To spearhead this agenda, NICEE was associated with the NASA 2007 Convention held at MANIT Bhopal in December 2007, at the SAARCH Convention 2008 held in New Delhi in March 2008, at the SAARC NASA Convention at Pune in February 2009 and more recently at SAARC NASA Convention at Hubli in January 2011.

The upcoming Workshop is targeted at students of architecture who are presently in the third year of the architecture course, that is, they are in the sixth semester of the 10 semester degree programme in architecture and would have completed sixth semester/ third year just before attending the workshop. The selected students will spend one week at IIT Kanpur and undergo hands on training in Earthquake Resistant Architecture Practices through a series of lectures and design studios to be coordinated by professionals with wide experience in this field. A non refundable registration fee of Rs. 5000/- per student will be charged from the participants of the workshop.

We invite you to nominate upto four students from your college/institute to participate in this workshop. In view of the hands on nature of this workshop, we have to restrict the number of participants. Hence, depending on the number of applications received, we will select only some of these students. We look forward to working with the students and preparing them in earthquake resistant design as a significant step in ensuring safety for the vulnerable communities in our country. **The last date of receiving application is 28 February 2017**

Thank you and with best regards,

Yours sincerely,

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Encl.: Nomination form