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Details:

1. New NICEE Website

Some of you may have already noticed that our website has changed. The NICEE website has been totally revamped. Please visit <u>www.nicee.org</u> and send your feedback regarding the new site to <u>nicee@iitk.ac.in</u>

2. NICEE goes Online!

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NICEE publications can be paid online through credit card. To make online payment for NICEE publications, you may visit <u>http://www.nicee.org/NICEE_pubs.php</u>

- 3. IIT Kanpur Reconnaissance Team on Study of the Sikkim Earthquake of 14 February 2006 IIT Kanpur organized a reconnaissance study of the affected areas of the recent Sikkim earthquake. Investigators spent about eight days in the field, during February 18 -24 2006. A report on the reconnaissance studies including recommendations is under preparation.
- 4. Post Doctoral Scholarship in Italy for Young Indian Researchers

IIT Kanpur and University of Naples Federico II (Italy) have entered into an agreement for two post-doctoral scholarships of amount Euro 15,000 per year each for young Indian researchers. Interested candidates may send their biodata and a brief research proposal to Prof. Giorgio Serino (<u>serino@unina.it</u>) with a copy to Professor Sudhir K. Jain (<u>nicee@iitk.ac.in</u>) before 30 March 2006.

Each scholarship has one-year duration and is to be spent in the period April 2006 - December 2007 at the Department of Structural Analysis and Design (Faculty of Engineering) of the University of Naples Federico II (Italy) under the supervision of Prof. Giorgio Serino and/or Prof. Gaetano Manfredi. Details about the host Department can be found at the web site: <u>http://www.daps.unina.it</u>. Questions about the scholarship if any are also to be directed by email to both Prof Serino and to <u>nicee@iitk.ac.in</u>

5. Fourth World Conference on Structural Control and Monitoring, July 11-13, 2006 at San Diego

The Fourth World Conference on Structural Control and Monitoring (4WCSCM) will be held July 11-13, 2006, at the University of California at San Diego (UCSD). This conference will bring together those interested in the general field of passive, active, semi-active or hybrid vibration control and health monitoring of structural systems. For more details please visit www.usc.edu/4wcscm

6. International Workshop on Base-Isolated High-Rise Buildings, 15-17 June 2006, Yerevan, Armenia

American University of Armenia (AUA), the Anti-Seismic Systems International Society (ASSISi), and the Armenian Association for Earthquake Engineering (AAEE) are organising an International Workshop on Base-Isolated High-Rise Buildings will be held during June 15-17, 2006, in Yerevan, Armenia. The deadline of the abstract is April 5, 2006 and may be submitted by e-mail as an attachment to the attention of Kristina Avanesova (kavaneso@aua.am).