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Dear Colleague:

Greetings from NICEE. We have completed another successful year of operations, actively working towards earthquake disaster mitigation through awareness building and disseminating information (please see enclosed Annual Report for the year 2007-08). During the year, NICEE organized an international meet on *Confined Masonry*, attended by eminent experts from across the world. It also initiated a major program of engaging architecture students in the issue of earthquake safety. Our quarterly periodical *Earthquake Engineering Practice* became rather popular.

Stepping up of activities by NICEE during the year was made possible with the generous support of its well wishers and users. NICEE receives no annual budget from any sources and operates entirely on the interest income of its endowment, sponsorships, publication sales and the donations.

We therefore look up to all users and well-wishers for their support, and request them to please consider making a donation, irrespective of the amount. A large number of individual contributions of even small amounts not only add up to a large sum, but also is a reinforcement of the confidence that so many people repose on NICEE. Therefore, no donation is too small and NICEE welcomes a donation of Rs 1,000/- as much as one of Rs 1,00,000/-.

As you may be already aware, all donations from within India are 100% tax deductible under section 80G of Indian Income Tax. Donors in the US can avail 100% tax deduction by routing the donations through IIT Kanpur Foundation in the United States.

We look forward to your support towards making NICEE more effective in meeting its objectives and goals. Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

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