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1. **Inter-School Quiz Competition based on IITK-BMTPC Earthquake Tips 2020-21**

The invite for the quiz for the year 2020-21 have been sent to the schools. The final quiz will be held on January 26, 2021 at IIT Kanpur. The preliminary rounds will be held during August to December 2020 in the city or vicinity of participating schools. For further details please visit [http://www.nicee.org/Quiz/quiz.htm](http://www.nicee.org/Quiz/quiz.htm). Members willing to enthuse and/ or 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

2. **Literature Review Workshop for Post Graduate Students**

The Annual Workshop for post graduate students pursuing their masters or doctorate degree with thesis in earthquake engineering scheduled to be held during May 21 – 30, 2020 at IIT Kanpur, is deferred. It is in response to unprecedented health scare and related restrictions due to COVID-19. Fresh dates will be communicated shortly.

3. **Workshop for Under Graduate Architecture Students in Third Year**
The workshop for Architecture students scheduled to be held at IIT Kanpur during June 14-20, 2020 is deferred. It is in response to unprecedented health scare and related restrictions due to COVID-19. Fresh dates will be communicated shortly.

4. Open House of NICEE

The annual Earthquake Engineering Open House of NICEE is scheduled to be held during November 19-28, 2020. 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. For further details or any queries please contact: Suresh Ailawadi at Tele - 0512 – 259 7749, Fax – 0512 – 259 7794 or E-mail: asuresh@iitk.ac.in

5. Intimation Regarding Change of Postal Address/ email id

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that we currently have more than 15,000 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.

6. RESIST Software Available for Individual Users

RESIST Software is now available for individual users. A copy of the same can be requested from NICEE on payment of Rs. 2,000/-. This version of RESIST is customized to Indian codes and construction conditions.

However, a more recent update is available with greatly enhanced graphical features but it is based upon New Zealand codes and practices. It may be downloaded free of charge from the New Zealand Society of Earthquake Engineering website at http://www.nzsee.org.nz/publications/other-publications/resist/.

For further details regarding the earlier version please visit http://www.nicee.org/npeee/showpage.php?id=149 and for any queries please contact: Suresh Ailawadi at Tele - 0512 – 259 7749, Fax – 0512 – 259 7794 or E-mail: asuresh@iitk.ac.in, nicee@iitk.ac.in

7. EERI e-affiliate Membership
EERI is offering e-affiliate membership. For further details regarding advantages and membership form, please visit http://www.nicee.org/eeri_affiliate/E-AffiliateBrochure.pdf. The membership form duly filled with membership fee of Rs. 2,000/- for the current year can be sent to NICEE. Filled forms can be scanned and sent to nicee@iitk.ac.in and payment made online at http://www.nicee.org/NICEE_donation.php choosing “EERI Membership” as the option. Existing members can renew their membership by paying online or through a cheque/ DD drawn in favour of “National Information Centre of Earthquake Engineering” payable at Kanpur. Existing members need to fill in the form again only if there is any change in the information given by them earlier.

8. Calendar of Events

Please visit http://www.nicee.org/Calender.pdf for latest update on world wide events related to Earthquake Engineering.

9. 9th Turkish Conference on Earthquake Engineering, June 01-03, 2020, Istanbul

9th Turkish Conference on Earthquake Engineering is scheduled to be held during June 01-03, 2020 at Istanbul, Turkey. The last date for submission of abstracts is September 30, 2019. For further details please visit https://www.9tcee.org/

10. 7th International Conference on Recent Advances in Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering and Soil Dynamics (7ICRAGEE), July 13-16, 2020, Bangalore

7th International Conference on Recent Advances in Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering and Soil Dynamics is scheduled to be held at the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore during July 13-16, 2020. Please visit http://7icragee.org/ for more information.

11. 17th World Conference of Earthquake Engineering, September 14-18, 2020, Sendai

The 17th WCEE scheduled to be held during September 14-18, 2020 in Sendai, Japan has been postponed for the next year 2021 due to the global COVID-19 outbreak. Please visit http://www.iaee.or.jp/ for more information.

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

The latest EERI Newsletter ‘The Pulse’ is available online at: https://www.eeri-members.org/pulse. The back issues can be viewed at https://www.eeri.org/cohost/member-resources/pulse/archives
Following are selected contents of the Newsletter:

- EERI welcomes new Housner Fellows
- Request your print copy by May 18: Mary Comerio's Oral History
- Learning from Earthquakes: Virtual clearinghouse established for recent Idaho earthquake
  - They may be historic, charming and cherished, but brick buildings bore the brunt of Utah’s earthquake (The Salt Lake Tribune)
- EU releases 15M euros for Albania’s quake recovery (Associated Press)
- Magnitude 5.2 quake rattles California-Nevada state line (Associated Press)
- Pandemic hurts ability of nations to face natural disasters (Associated Press)
- Seismologists search for new earthquake data in suddenly silent world (Houston Chronicle)
- A week after Idaho’s earthquake, experts seek answers about historic, unexpected event (Idaho Statesman)
- ‘The floor was moving’: 6.5 earthquake strikes in Idaho, largest in the state since 1983 (USA Today)

Announcements
- Call for Abstracts extended: San Fernando Earthquake Conference (Lifelines2021)
- Invitation for structural engineers to participate in the 2020 SE3 Survey

13. Recent Donors to NICEE

Rs. 20,000/- to 99,999/-
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