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1. NICEE Looks Back at the 2001 Bhuj (Gujarat) Earthquake on 20th Anniversary

Republic Day Greetings from NICEE!

This year 26th January is the 20th anniversary of the deadly 2001 Bhuj (Gujarat) earthquake that struck in the morning amidst the Republic Day celebrations that left ~ 13,800 dead, and ~1,67,000 injured. The tragic event hastened the NICEE to begin its operations a couple of days later and since then we have come a long way with respect to awareness and availability of information to ensure seismic safety in the country. Please visit the https://www.nicee.org/Bhuj_Earthquake/ to recall the aftermath with a slide show and other documents available at NICEE.

Moreover, on this day we wish to offer a 20% discount on all publications of NICEE ordered till February 10, 2021 (https://www.nicee.org/Publications.php).

2. Inter-School Quiz Competition based on IITK-BMTPC Earthquake Tips 2021-22
The Inter-School Quiz for 2021-22 invites will be sent shortly. 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

3. 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 is scheduled to be held during May 13 – 23, 2021 at IIT Kanpur. The aim of this workshop is to provide an access to the students to quality research material so that they can do a thorough literature review for their thesis. For details about previous workshops please visit http://www.nicee.org/MTech_Workshop/ . 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

4. Workshop for Under Graduate Architecture Students in Third Year

The fresh date for the workshop will be announced shortly.

5. Open House of NICEE

The annual Earthquake Engineering Open House of NICEE is scheduled to be held during November 17-27, 2021. 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

6. 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.

7. 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 https://www.nzsee.org.nz/library/other-publications/resist/.

For further details regarding the earlier version please visit http://www.nicee.org/npee/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. Virtual Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction – Civil Engineering for a Disaster Resilient Society, March 19-21, 2021

“Virtual Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction - Civil Engineering for a Disaster Resilient Society" March 19-21, 2021, organized by National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NITK), Asian Disaster Reduction and Response Network (ADRRN), and Institute of Himalayan Risk Reduction (IHRR) Nepal supported by several other institutes/societies. Paper Submission is Open till 15 December 2021. For further details please visit conference website: https://vcdrr.nitk.ac.in/

10. 3rd International Conference on Natural Hazards & Infrastructure, June 22–24, 2021, Athens
3rd International Conference on Natural Hazards & Infrastructure is scheduled to be held during June 22-24, 2021 at Athens, Greece. For further details and registration, please visit https://iconhic.com/2021/

11. 7th International Conference on Recent Advances in Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering and Soil Dynamics (7ICRAGEE), July 12-15, 2021, 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 12-15, 2021. Please visit http://7icragee.org/ for more information.

12. 17th World Conference of Earthquake Engineering, Sep 27-Oct 02, 2021, Sendai

The 17th WCEE scheduled to be held during September 27-October 02, 2021 in Sendai, Japan. Please visit http://www.iaee.or.jp/ for more information.

13. 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:

- Learning from Earthquakes: New joint report on the M7.0 October 30, 2020, Samos Island (Aegean Sea) Earthquake
- EERI Response to M6.4 December 29, 2020, Croatia Earthquake
- BART extends earthquake monitoring program
- AI reveals first direct observation of rupture propagation during slow quakes
- ACEC California Announces 2021 Engineering Excellence Awards
- Remembering the 2010 Haiti Earthquake
- As Aftershocks Rattle Croatia, Quake Recovery Is Slow and Perilous
- Modern Modeling Determines Magnitudes of Historic Earthquakes

Publications
- EERI releases special issue on the 2017 Puebla, Mexico earthquake

14. Recent Donors to NICEE

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