In this Newsletter:

1. Two New Publications from NICEE

   **Earthquake Rebuilding in Gujarat, India (Recommended Price Rs. 150/-)**

   NICEE has reprinted this EERI publication for distribution in India only. This report is based on a field investigation of a 5-member multi-disciplinary team in the area affected by the 2001 Bhuj Earthquake in Gujarat, under the leadership of Professor C.V.R. Murty. The original monograph of EERI is priced at US $15.00 plus postage.

   **Keeping Schools Safe in Earthquakes (Recommended Price Rs. 200/-)**

   NICEE and Geo Hazards International (GHI) have reprinted this OECD publication on School Safety and Security, "Keeping Schools Safe in Earthquakes". This publication is the product of the ad hoc experts’ meeting on Earthquake Safety in Schools, organised by PEB and GHI in February 2004 in Paris. Articles in this publication are valuable from the viewpoint of not only safety of the schools but also of the entire built environment.

   Interested persons in India may request copies by sending an email with their complete name, affiliation, organisation and postal address to nicee@iitk.ac.in. Please specify which of the publications you are ordering. The cheque or draft should be payable to “National Information Centre of Earthquake Engineering, IIT Kanpur” and mailed to Ms. Snehal Kaushik, Department of Civil Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, Kanpur 208016. Outstation cheques will be accepted and may include an additional amount of Rs. 25/-.

   Brochure containing complete list of NICEE publications is attached.

2. NPEEE Short Courses at IIT Madras

   Indian Institute of Technology Madras is planning to conduct short course on "Finite Element Seismic Analysis", 20-24 March 2006. This course is being sponsored by NPEEE: that is, all eligible faculty members of engineering colleges, polytechnics and architecture will be financially supported from NPEEE funds. A limited number of slots are available for professional engineers on payment basis. For more details please visit [http://www.iitk.ac.in/nicee/npeee/IITM_SC_FESA_20-25March2006_Brochure.pdf](http://www.iitk.ac.in/nicee/npeee/IITM_SC_FESA_20-25March2006_Brochure.pdf)

3. NPEEE Short Courses at IIT Roorkee

   Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee is planning to conduct short course on "Strong Motion Instruments: Processing and Use of its Data", 27 March - 1 April 2006. This course is being sponsored by NPEEE: that is, all eligible faculty members of engineering colleges, polytechnics and architecture will be financially supported from NPEEE funds. A limited number of slots are available for professional engineers on payment basis. For more details please visit [http://www.iitk.ac.in/nicee/npeee/IITR_SC_SMI_27Mar-1Apr2006.pdf](http://www.iitk.ac.in/nicee/npeee/IITR_SC_SMI_27Mar-1Apr2006.pdf)

4. IBC Awards for Excellence in Built Environment 2005

Details:

1. NCFACE-2006, 28-29 April 2006
2. 19th International Conference on Structural Mechanics in Reactor Technology, 12-17 August 2007, Toronto, Canada
Indian Buildings Congress has invited entries for IBC awards for the excellence in built environment. The entries complete in all respects should reach IBC latest by 12 March 2006. For more details contact:
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5. NCFACE-2006, 28-29 April 2006, Coimbatore
Department of Civil Engineering, V.L.B. Janakiammal College of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore is organising National Conference on Frontline Areas of Civil Engineering (NCFACE-2006) during 28-29 April 2006. The last date for receipt of abstract is 13 February 2006. For more details please contact:
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6. 19th International Conference on Structural Mechanics in Reactor Technology (SMiRT), 12-17 August 2007, Toronto, Canada
The International Association of Structural Mechanics in Reactor Technology (IASMiRT) along with the American Association of Structural Mechanics in Reactor Technology (AASMiRT), the Center for Nuclear Power Plant Structures, Equipment and Piping (C-NPP-SEP) at North Carolina State University, and the Canadian Nuclear Society (CNS) is organising 19th SMiRT Conference during 12-17 August 2007 at Toronto, Canada. The last date for submitting abstract is 31 July 2005. For more details please visit www.engr.ncsu.edu/smirt-19