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Details:

1. NICEE conducts Seminar and Short Course on Concrete Gravity Dams

NICEE successfully conducted the Seminar on Seismic Safety of Concrete Gravity Dams on 27 February 2009 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. The Seminar was attended by about 120 participants. Speakers during the Seminar were Prof Anil K. Chopra, Mr. Larry K. Nuss, Mr. M. Gopalkrishnan, Dr. ID Gupta, Prof DK Paul and Prof Durgesh C. Rai.

This was followed by a Short Course on Seismic Design of Concrete Gravity Dams at IIT Kanpur, during March 03-06, 2009 which was attended by about 150 participants. The course was conducted by Prof Anil K. Chopra and Mr. Larry K. Nuss. The press coverage and the photographs can be viewed at the following links.

http://www.nicee.org/press_coverage.php http://www.nicee.org/PhotoGallery/

The resource materials for these two events in the form of power point presentations of the speakers are available at a nominal payment. For obtaining the same, please contact Cdr Suresh Ailawadi, Retd., at nicee@iitk.ac.in .

2. Workshop for Architecture Students

A workshop for undergraduate students of architecture is being held at IIT Kanpur during Jul 06 –11, 2009. The objective of this Workshop is to sensitize students in earthquake resistant design practices through technical lectures followed by design studios where they will be given hands-on guidance in earthquake resistant design by working on an architectural design project. The workshop is targeted at students who are presently in the second year of the architecture course, that is, they are in the fourth semester of the 10 semester degree programme in architecture.

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 from 27 Aug 2009 to 05 Sep 2009 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. The announcement with the nomination form is being sent to all colleges in India. The same can also be downloaded from http://www.nicee.org/MTech_Workshop_2009.pdf .

For further details or any queries please contact : Suresh Ailawadi at Tele - 0512 - 259 7749 or E-mail: asuresh@iitk.ac.in

4. National Workshop on High Rise Constructions, Hyderabad, May 22-23, 2009

A National Workshop on High Rise Constructions is scheduled to be held at JNTU Hyderabad during May 22-23, 2009. For further details please visit www.mhrc.in .

5. 5th International Conference on Recent Advances in Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering and Soil Dynamics, San Diego, USA, May 24-29, 2010

Missouri University of Science and Technology will host Fifth International Conference on Recent Advances in Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering and Soil Dynamics in San Diego, USA, May 24-29, 2010. Prospective authors are asked to submit a one-page abstract by April 2, 2009. For further details please visit http://5geoeqconf2010.mst.edu.

6. 7th International Conference on Structural Analysis of Historical Constructions, Tongji University, Shanghai, China, October 06-08, 2010

The 7th International Conference on Structural Analysis of Historical Constructions will be held at Tongji University, Shanghai, China, on October 6-8, 2010 (SAHC-2010). The important dates for the conference are:

Submission of Abstracts: September 30, 2009

Notification of Provisional Acceptance: November 30, 2009

Manuscript for Review: February 28, 2010 Notification of Final Acceptance: April 30, 2010 Submission of Final Manuscript: June 15, 2010

For further details please e-mail to Mr. Xianglin Gu at Email: gxl@tongji.edu.cn

7. Latest Earthquake Hazard Newsletter

The latest newsletter of the School of Architecture, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand has been published on the website

http://www.victoria.ac.nz/architecture/research/ehc/#newsletters.

The contents are:

Editorial: Reflections on the 14th World Conference on Earthquake Engineering

Virtual Site Visit No. 25

Seismic Vulnerability of Hospitals in Nepal

Seismic Assessment of Current Buildings in Algiers City

Evaluation of Housing Losses in Recent Earthquakes in Latin America

Book Review: "Seismic Design for Architects: Outwitting the Quake".

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

The March 2009 issue of the EERI Newsletter is now available online at:

http://www.eeri.org/cds_publications/newsletter.html

It contains a flyer about the availability of video downloads of EERI seminar presentations. Following are selected contents of the newsletter:

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- 2: Norman Abrahamson gives 2009 Distinguished Lecture
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- 4: See you in San Francisco for 2010 Annual Meeting
- 5: Call for applications for EERI-FEMA Graduate Fellowship
- 6-7: Treasurer's Report for FY 2008
- 7: Call for abstracts: New Madrid Time-History Conference, due 4-30
- 8-9: Summary of Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting of 12-9-08
- 12: Susan Tubbesing and Les Youd awarded EERI Honorary Membership

Alerts:

- 9: RFP for Transportation Systems Research Program: deadline 3-20
- 10: Opportunities: Global Earthquake Model, AIR Worldwide, and NORSAR
- 10: Call for abstracts: 7th Int'l Probabilistic Workshop, due 5-1
- 10: Save the date: Loma Prieta Anniversary Event & PEER Annual Meeting, 10/15-17.
- 10: TCLEE 2009 early registration deadline 5-28
- 10: Los Angeles Tall Buildings Conference 5-8

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