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**1. 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 has been sent to all colleges in India. The last date of receipt of completed application form has been extended upto 31 Jul 2009. The form can also be downloaded from [http://www.nicee.org/MTech\\_Workshop\\_2009.pdf](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](mailto:asuresh@iitk.ac.in)

**2. Annual Meeting of National Advisory Committee of NICEE**

The annual meeting of the National Advisory Committee of NICEE was held on 30 June 2009. The committee reviewed the progress of NICEE during the previous year and expressed satisfaction over the same. The plans for the current year were also reviewed.

**3. Seismic Masonry Guide for Masonry Buildings**

The seismic masonry guide for masonry buildings which has been authored by Dr. Svetlana Brzev is available for free download from the website <http://www.ccmpa.ca/DownloadSeismic.asp> . Although it has been written for Canadian requirements, but it is surely a good read for all in this field.

**4. Earthquake Hazard Centre Newsletter**

The April issue of Earthquake Hazard Centre Newsletter of the School of Architecture, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand can be read or downloaded from (<http://www.victoria.ac.nz/architecture/research/ehc/#newsletters>).

The contents comprise of:

Editorial: How reliable is the 'test of time'?

Virtual Site Visit no. 16 Safety of brick cladding and partition walls, Peru

Dissemination of earthquake resistant technologies for non engineered construction  
Pakistan Earthquake and Recovery Program  
Learning from earthquakes

## **5. Newsletter of Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI), USA**

The June 2009 issue of the EERI Newsletter is now available online at:  
<http://www.eeri.org/site/news/newsletter>

It contains a 12-page report entitled "The Mw 6.3 Abruzzo, Italy, Earthquake of April 6, 2009," as well as a flyer about the availability to EERI members of selected ICC Publications at a discount.

Following are selected contents of the Newsletter:

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- 4: Membership News: Spotlight on Build Change in China
- 5: Applicants Sought for EERI-NEHRP Professional Fellowship
- 6: Subscribing Member News: CSI Issues SAP2000-v14
- 8: Online EERI report available: Implementation of Nonstructural and Equipment Seismic Restraints
- 8: Spectra in Science Citation Index

Alerts:

- 6: Call for proposals for Global Databases by GEM, due 7-15-09
- 6: Call for proposals for sessions at 2010 SSA Annual Meeting, due 10-1-09
- 6: Nominations Sought for Prakash Award, due 9-30-09
- 6: IUGG Assembly, save dates 6-27/7-8-11.

## **6. Recent Donors to NICEE**

NICEE thanks the recent donors for their generous contribution:

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