Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics

Seminar Announcement

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Gorkha Nepal Post-Earthquake Reconnaissance

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Abstract

A magnitude of 7.8 shook Nepal on 25th April, 2015. More than 300 aftershocks have been recorded since. Ms. Shakya traveled to Nepal on 4th May one week after the earthquake. She had obtained a position as an intern for the non-profit organization “Build Change”. Build Change provides technical engineering supports to other humanitarian organizations for the construction of houses and schools, in particular rebuilding after natural disasters. Ms. Shakya’s presentation will about her post-earthquake reconnaissance experiences during her internship. Ms. Shakya was involved in variety of tasks including assessment, surveying, and information dissemination. In the latter, she prepared flyers for instruction on safe demolition. Ms. Shakya also got the opportunity to attend shelter cluster meetings where government policy, response and interaction with other humanitarian organizations was discussed. Ms. Shakya’s presentation provides insight on the situation in Nepal after the earthquake and the government and other organizations efforts for improving the conditions and rebuilding for the victims of Nepal Earthquake.

All are welcome