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India has a very real earthquake problem. The past two decades have seen devastating earthquakes striking India with frightening regularity. India's seismic zone map emphasizes that over 60% of land area in India is under moderate to severe earthquake hazard (IS: 1893, 2002).

Unsafe building stock makes the built environment vulnerable and this in turn results in loss of human life and property in the aftermath of earthquakes.

Hence, the built environment must be made earthquake resistant so that lives are not lost through the collapse of unsafe buildings. This requires the active participation of various professionals associated with the construction industry and the all stakeholders in building development and delivery.

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3	Outreach	6	Technology Transfer

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- Commentaries on seismic codes
- Photo gallery of past Indian earthquakes
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