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IPL Project (IPL - 192) Annual Report Form 2017

1 January 2016 to 31 December 2016

1. Project Number (approved year) and Title,

IPL-192 (2015) Title -Development of post-earthquake rainfall induced landslide (PERIL) hazard mitigation framework

2. Main Project Fields

(1) Technology Development

A. Monitoring and Early Warning

(3) Capacity Building

B. Collating and Disseminating Information/ Knowledge

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4. Objectives: (5 lines maximum)

Create a deterministic model from globally gathered data and available practice deterministic models; Predict outcomes and compare data collected from small and large scale experimental modeling; Develop a robust and high performance computer-based program with parallel computing technologies that can utilize machine learning, international data mining, rainfall forecasting, and soil parameters to predict post-earthquake stability/hazard of slopes

5. Study Area: (2 lines maximum)

The model scale study and validation of developed machine learning enhanced numerical modeling will be done at CSU Fullerton USA; Field scale study and capacity building will be done in Nepal.

6. Project Duration (1 line maximum)

4 years

7. Report

1) Progress in the project: (30 lines maximum)

The team has compiled a database of over 15,000 post-earthquake landslides that were triggered after the 2015 Nepal Earthquake that resulted into a post-Gorkha earthquake landslide inventory report. Moreover, a database of historical earthquake induced landslides has been prepared and published. A number of journal and conference proceedings articles were prepared based on the current research findings. The team visited, multiple times, various post-earthquake landslide sites in Nepal and collected field information. Moreover, soil samples from a study area in southern California were compacted in a Plexiglas container and prepared slopes at various inclinations and different densities. The slopes were poured with different rainfall intensities and shaken on the shake table after rainfall. Tensiometer data as well as accelerometer data were recorded to evaluate seepage velocity and deformation during earthquake. The work is going on. Moreover, the project will be expanded into other parts of the world in Americas, Europe, and Asia.

2) Planned future activities or Statement of completion of the Project (15 lines maximum)

The GIS based landslide identification for post-earthquake condition in Nepal and post-earthquake rainfall in Nepal will be continued. Moreover, based on the experimental modeling, slope stability analysis will be performed to evaluate real time safety of slope during rainfall and earthquake. Few more field verifications and experimental investigations will be conducted in coming years.

3) Beneficiaries of Project for Science, Education and/or Society (15 lines maximum)

The government agencies of Nepal and other implementing agencies who are involved in landslide hazard mitigation were benefitted from the research finding. Moreover, students were able to be involved in the research project. The project provided academic training to 12 graduate students, 18 undergraduate students, 17 international students, and 7 high school students. In addition, the professional societies pertinent to landslide science and engineering got some research results pertinent to post-earthquake rainfall induced landslides.

4) Results: (15 line maximum, e.g. publications)

This project has resulted into 23 publications in various journals and conference proceedings including landslides, WLF4, and Interactive Teaching Tools in addition to over 15 keynote

and regular presentation in various conferences pertinent to landslides and geotechnical engineering. It provided research opportunity for more than 40 students in the past 2 years. The article recently published in *Landslides* has been downloaded for more than 210 times by date. Citations of the published articles are presented below.

1. Tiwari, B., Ajmera, B., Tran, D., and Caballero, S. 2017. "Effect of Post-Earthquake Rainfall in Triggering Landslides," *Proceedings of 19th International Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering* (in press).
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4. Tiwari, B., Ajmera, B., and Tran, D. 2017. "Influence of Post-Earthquake Rainfall on the Stability of Clay Slopes-IPL-192," *Proceedings of World Landslide Forum 4* (in press).
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15. Carrillo, Y., Ajmera, B., Tiwari, B., Stapleton, J., and Tran, D. 2016, Influence of Void Ratio on the Stability of Compacted Clay Slopes Subjected to Rainfall, *Proceedings of International Symposium on Engineering Research, Sorocaba, Brazil*, 1, 9.
16. Stapleton, J., Ajmera, B., Tiwari, B., Carrillo, Y., and Tran, D. 2016, Influence of Void Ratio, Slope Inclination, and Rainfall Intensity on Slope Stability of Compacted Clay Slopes, *Proceedings of International Symposium on Engineering Research, Sorocaba, Brazil*, 1, 20.
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