

Feb 3,2008, Salleri, Solukhumbu

Some Visuals of earthquake

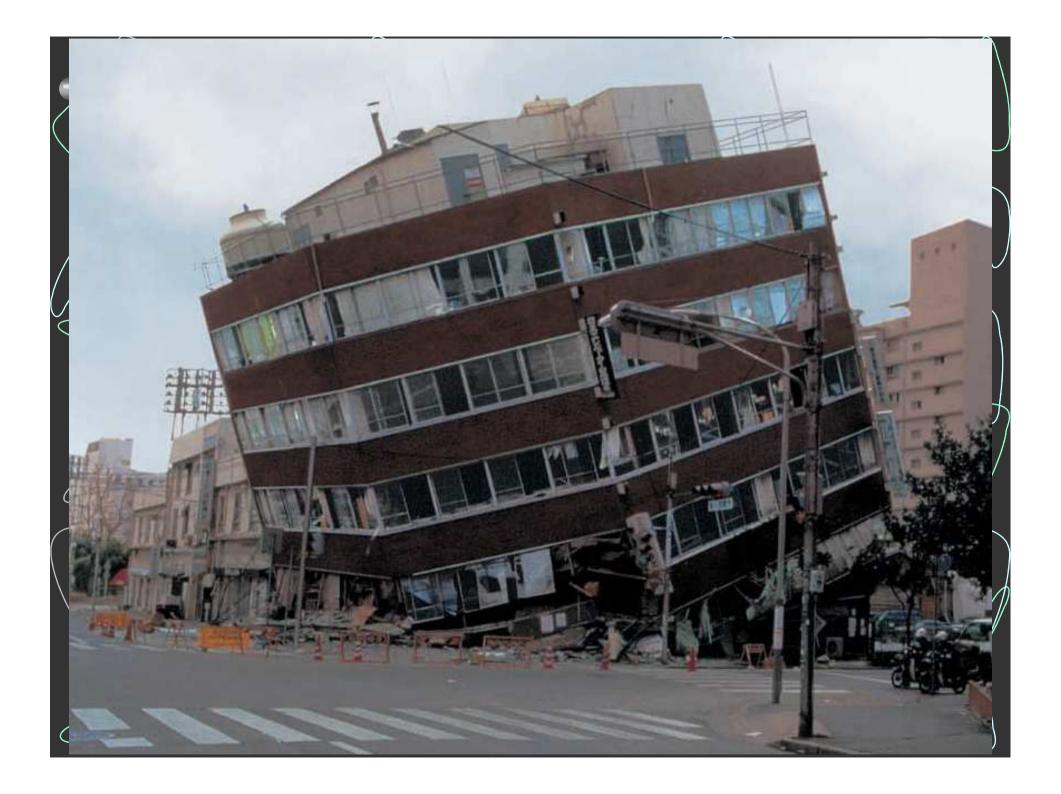
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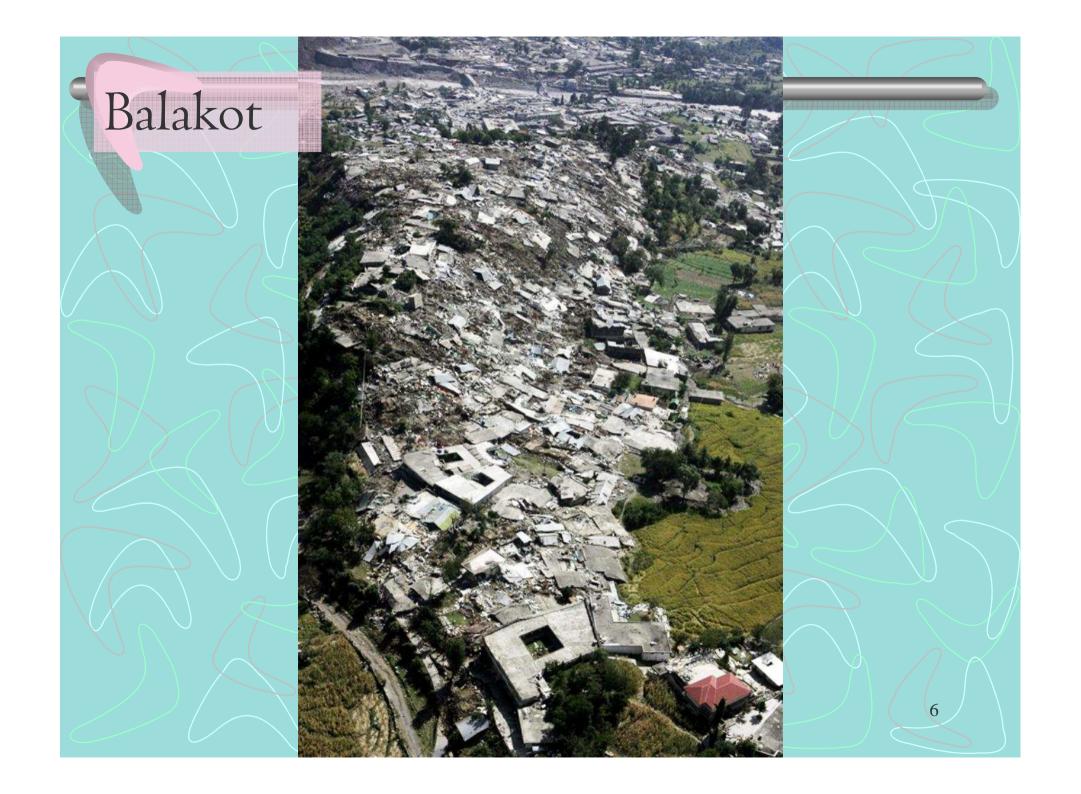


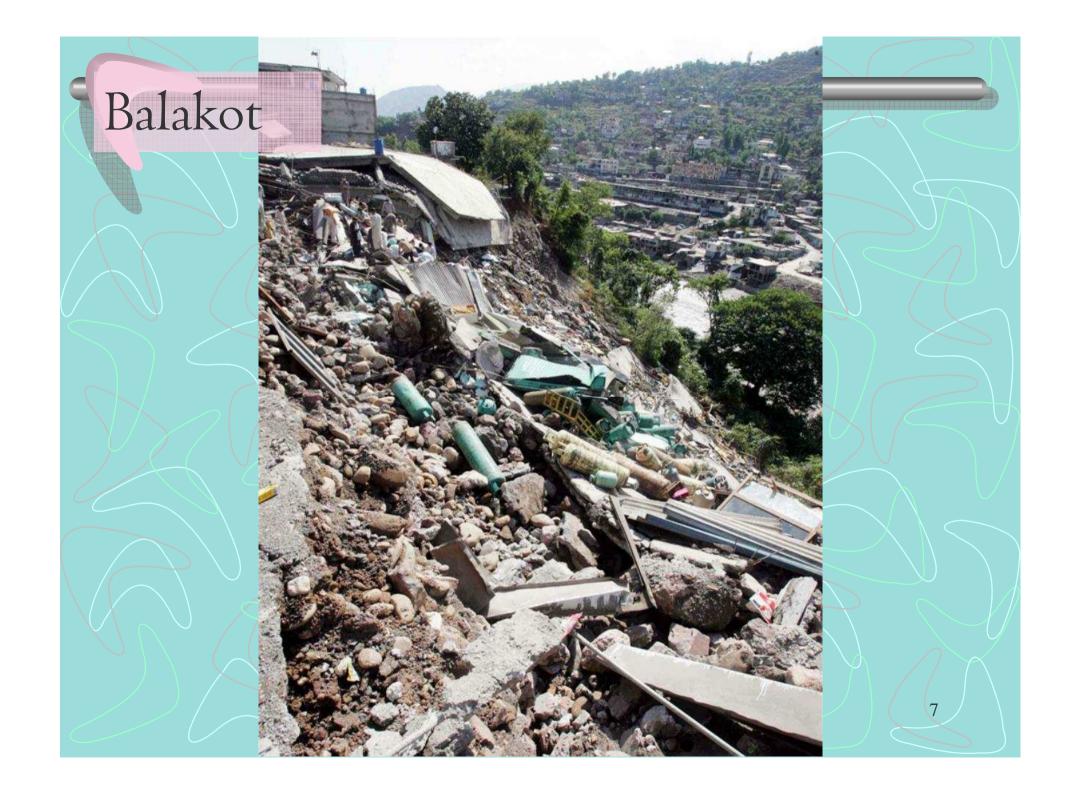






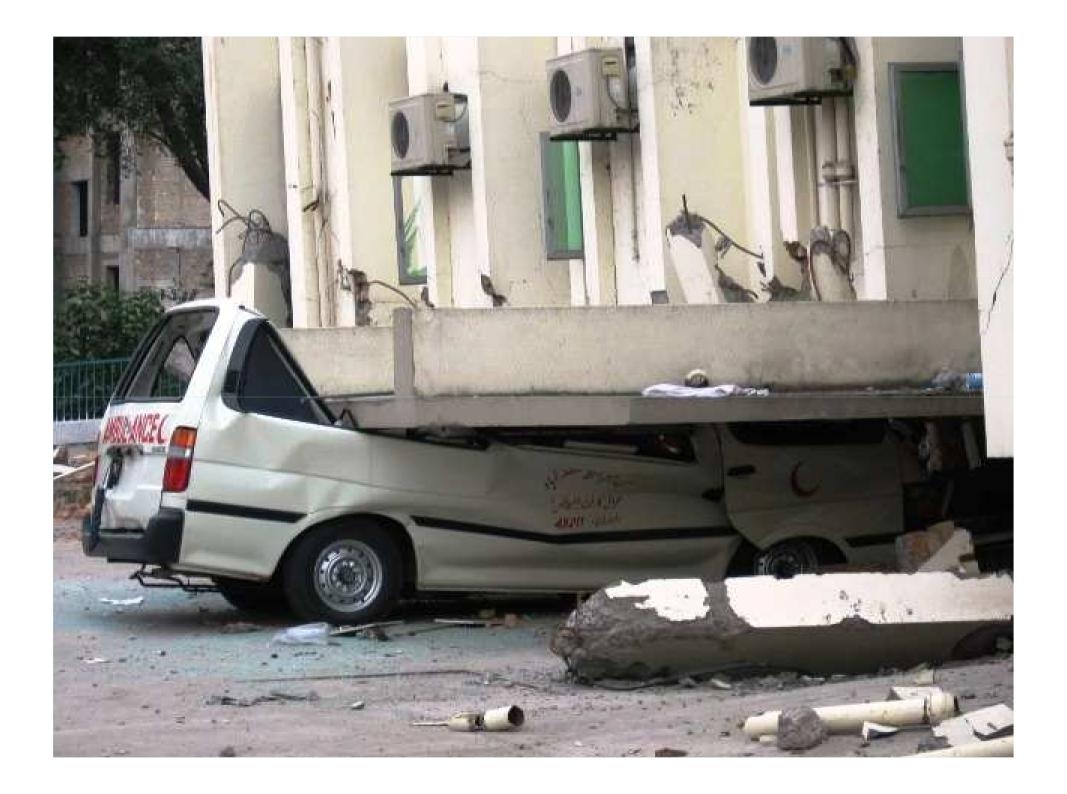




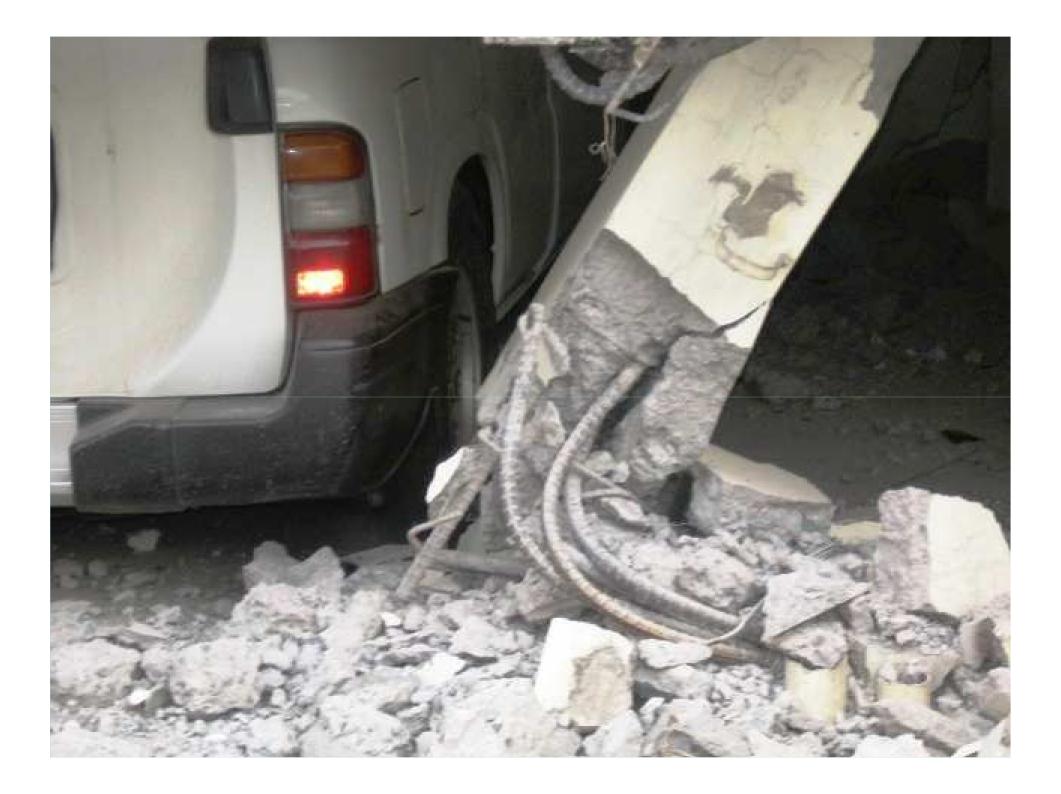






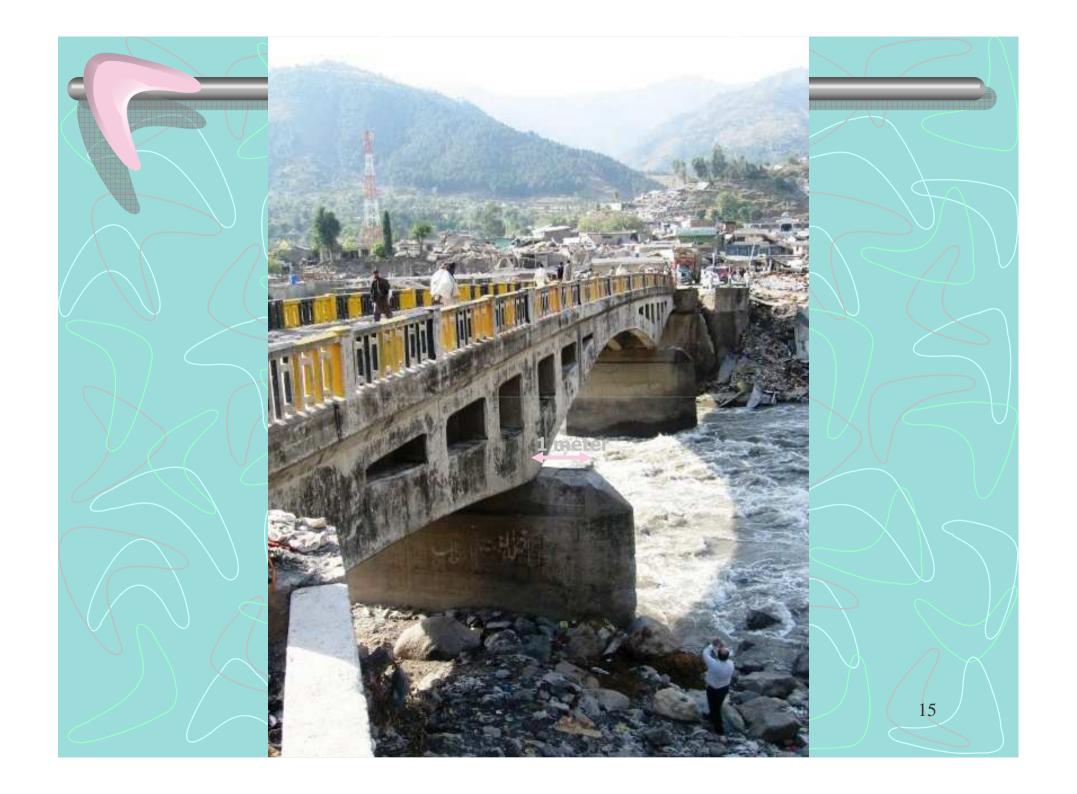








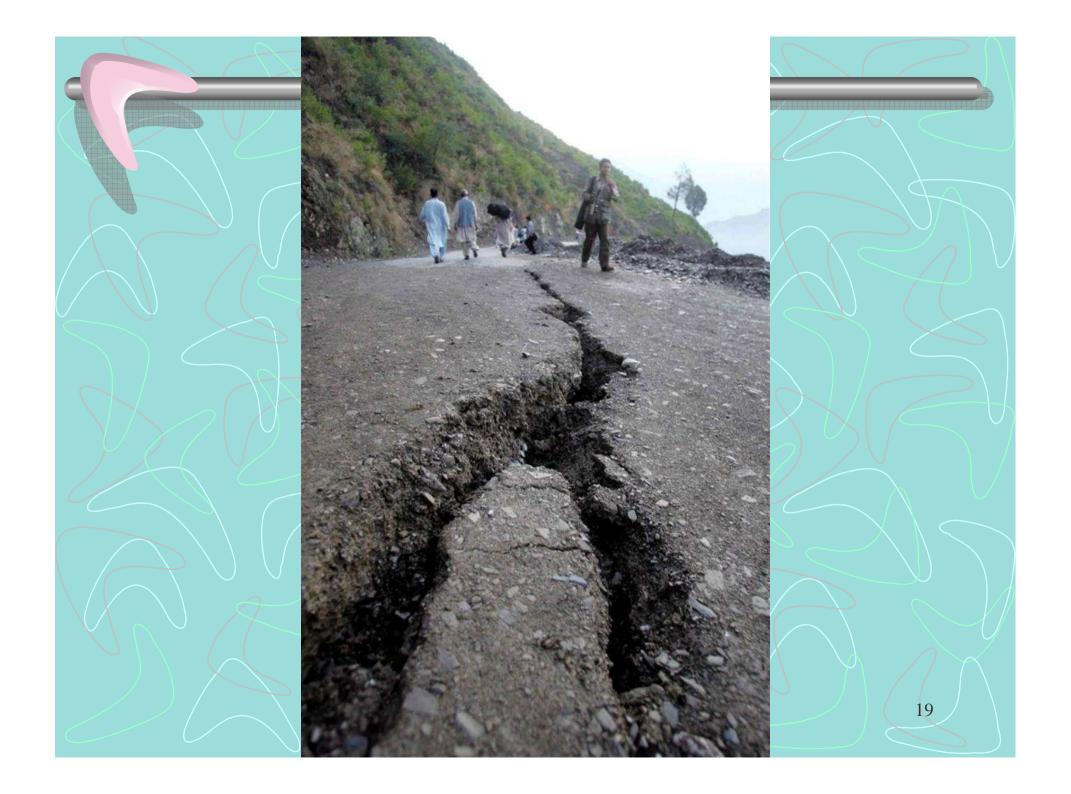




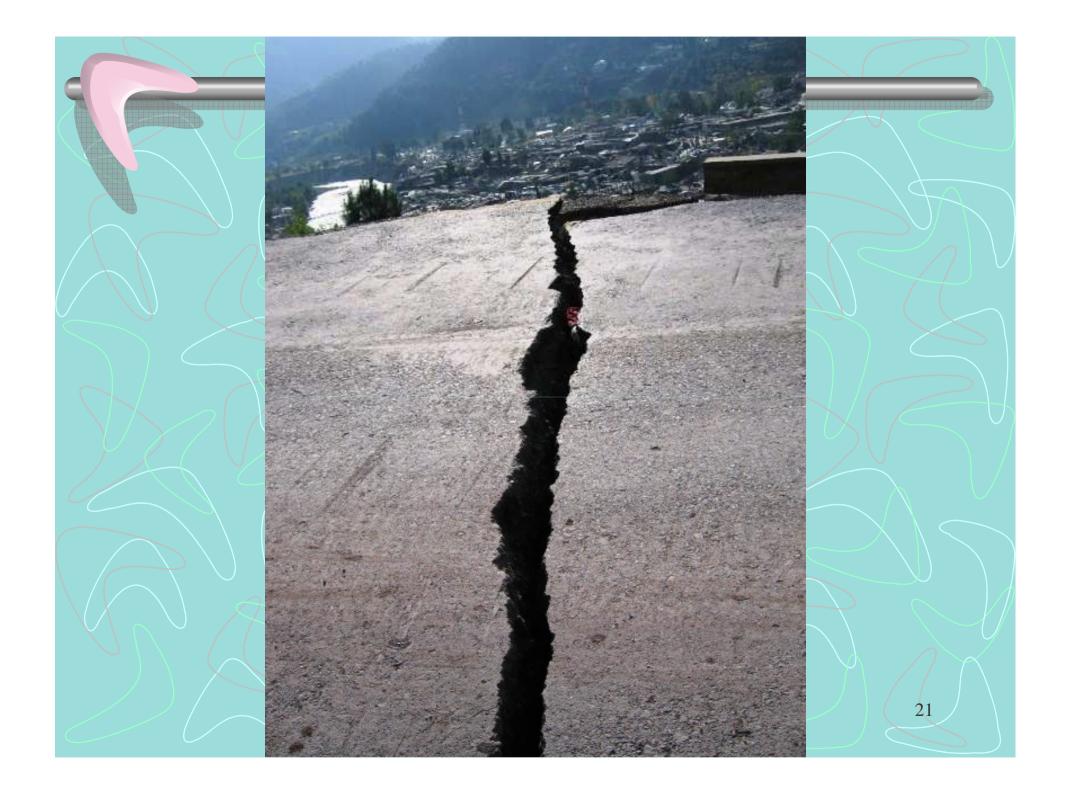






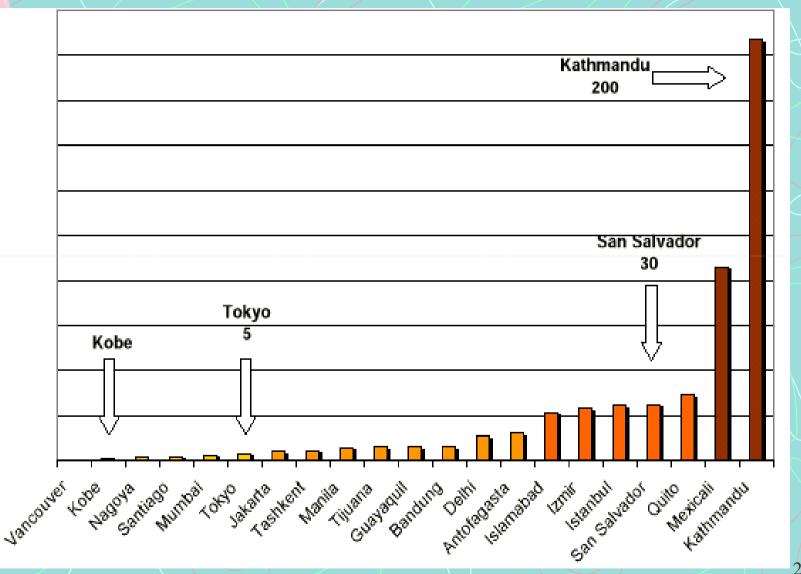








Per Capita Risk of Casualties



Source: GESI

Earthquake Safety Day



Shake Table Demonstration and Earthquake Safety Exhibition

Elements of Retrofitting



Bracing to increase lateral strength of wall



Jacketing of a column

involvement of all







Bitter Facts

- Researches in Geology, seismology and Engineering being carried out since past hundred years!
- Thousands of Specialists trained in many countries but people continue to die from earthquakes in unacceptable numbers!
- Knowledge exists, but Risk not Reduced!



Preparedness for External Disasters

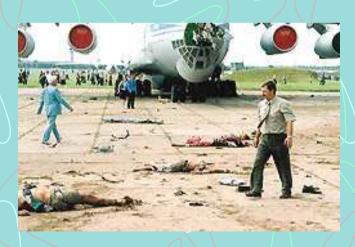


Singapore 006, 2000



Air Garuda, 1996

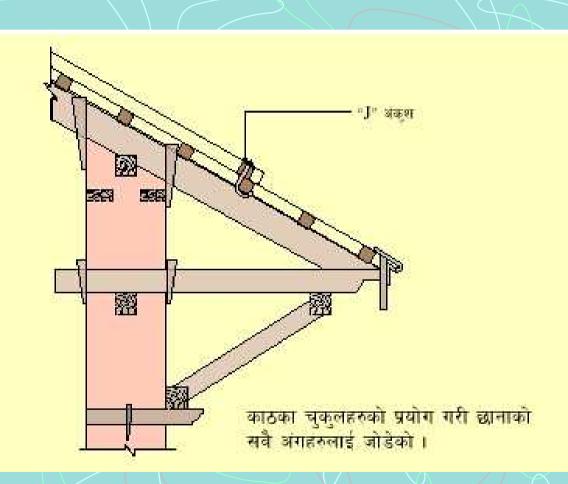




Ukraine air show crash, 2002₂₈

Observed Earthquake Resistant Elements

- Wooden Corner stitch
- Wooden Pegs



Observed Earthquake Resistant Elements



- Thick walls
- Vertical Post at Corners
- Use of Wooden wedges, Carpentry Joints (Dovetailing)

- •Summary: Many earthquake-resistant elements present
 - sometimes many in one building
 - Sometimes some in another

Olive View Hospital, California, USA

(San Fernando Earthquake, 1971)





Reduce Vulnerabilities to Earthquakes

New Buildings: Construct strong, earthquake-resistant buildings according to the Building Code

 Additional Cost for typical buildings up to 3 stories

• 4-6% in Masonry (Cement mortar)



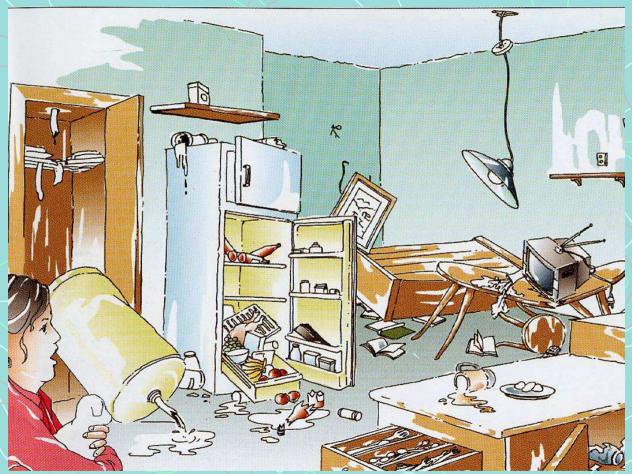


Structural Damage





Non-structural Damage



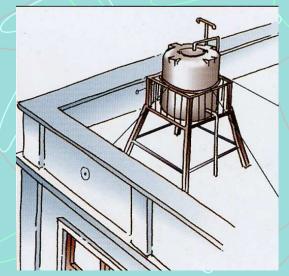
If you do not do anything now, this will happen to your house!

Mitigation of Nonstructural Hazard





Do you have the case?

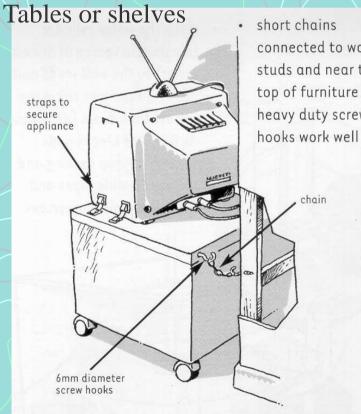




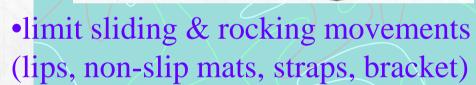
Simple improvement can save life and property

Reduce Non-structural Damage

Secure television/computers etc with-Velcro, non-slip mats, tight strap or chain, brackets, recesses, or "lips" on



connected to wall studs and near the top of furniture by heavy duty screw



•anchor against sudden jolts

wooden trim or

moulding to create 15mm lip

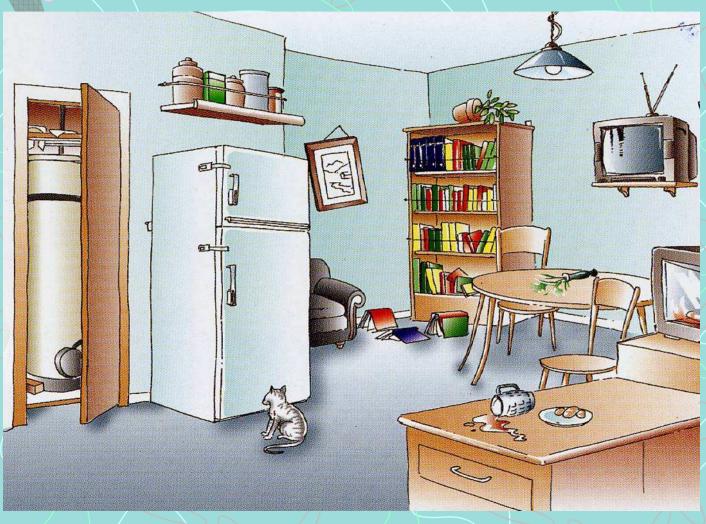
 Adding weight to the bottom of tall items

cord.

nylon

or wire

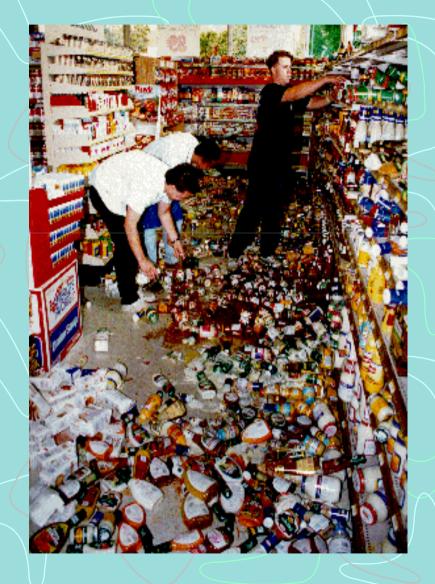
This condition could be achieved!





Emergency Plan Elements: Fix loose objects

Fix well all unsafe situations which can hurt when fall over (inside: heavy furniture, statues, frames, mirrors...; outside: water supply of the roofs, flowers pots...)



IMMEDIATE ACTION: INDOORS

- Do not run downstairs or rush outside while the building is shaking or while there is danger of falling and hurting yourself or being hit by falling glass or debris
 - Staircases are usually unsafe!
 - Do not jump out from windows, balconies!



IMMEDIATE ACTION: OUTDOORS

 Get into nearest open space, keeping clear of buildings, high walls or dangling electric wires.

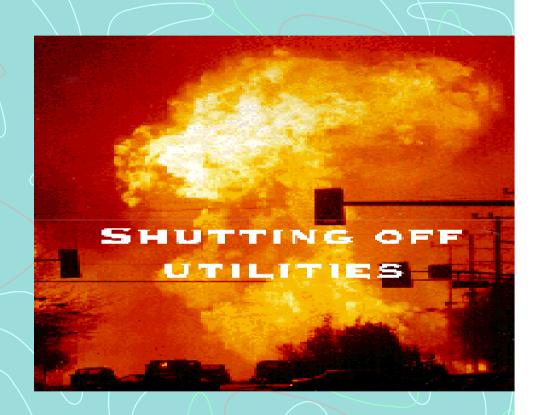
 If you are in a city, seek shelter under archways or doorways but do not re-enter damaged buildings.

 Do not try to walk through narrow streets



AS SOON AS YOU CAN

• put out all domestic fires and turn off heaters, electricity, gas and water at source



AS SOON AS YOU CAN: CHECK

- FIRE or fire hazards. Put out fires in your home or neighborhood immediately. Call for help, but don't wait for the fire department.
- ◆ Damaged electrical wiring. Shut off power at the control box
- ♦ Downed or damaged utility lines. Do not touch downed power lines or any objects in contact with them.
- ♦ Spills. Clean up any spilled medicines, drugs, or other potentially harmful materials such as bleach, dye, and gasoline or other petroleum products.
- ♦ Fallen/Toppling items. Beware of items tumbling off shelves when you open the doors of closets and cupboards.

