

# Social Innovation *through* University-Industry-Community Partnerships

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### **IC-IMPACTS**

- An International Network of Centres of Excellence funded equally by Governments of Canada and India
- The UBC-hosted pan-Canadian, pan-Indian Centre serves as a new model for international collaboration
- Scalable in solving global problem
- Total current funding: \$60 million







### Partners & Collaborators

78 Academic Partners 99 Industry Partners 42 Government Partners 24 Community Partners













































### **Our Network**



**FACULTY** 



**STUDENTS** 



**INDUSTRY** 



**COMMUNITY** 





### Core Research Areas







#### Safe & Sustainable Infrastructure

- Low-Carbon Materials
- Sensors
- Strengthening

### Integrated Water Management

- Sensors
- Alternative Power Supplies
- Water Treatment Systems

#### Public Health

- Rapid Diagnostic Devices and Lab-onchip Sensors
- Infectious and Waterborne Diseases
- Mobile Health Technologies



### **Integrated Water Management**

- 3D printed pH and chlorine sensors for water
- Off-grid water treatment with zero energy
- ICT platform for water quality monitoring
- Optical sensors for E. coli in water









### **Public Health**

- Diagnostics for emerging viral diseases such as Dengue and West Nile virus
- Engaging pharmacists to enhance early detection of tuberculosis
- Improving child immunisation services in India
- Developing portable diagnostic tools for detection of infectious diseases such as HIV and malaria











### Safe and Sustainable Infrastructure

- Alkali activated concrete paver blocks constructed from bottom ash-fly ash
- SHM protocols for railway bridges and heritage structures (NDT, image processing, and Compton Scatter)
- Nano-coatings on fibers and rebar









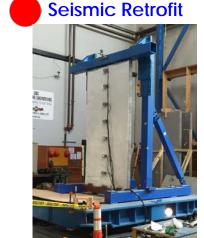


# Examples of Translating Research into Communities (Safe & Sustainable Infrastructure) © KRS Dam, Mysore

Self Healing Road, Thondebhavi













## **Thondebhavi Self-Healing Concrete Rural Pavement Project**

- India needs 2.4 million km of rural pavement, this project saw the successful installment of self-healing road in Thondebhavi, India
- Reduce road thickness by 50% using high strength concrete with advanced nano-modified hydrophilic fiber system.
- Reduce carbon footprint by incorporating 50% flyash in concrete





















### Restoring Krishanraj Sagara Dam, Mysore



Krishanraj Sagar Dam, Mysore Built 1924 Across River Kaveri 3.5 km long 38 m high Total Capacity 49 Billion ft<sup>3</sup>



- Collaborative project between U of Alberta, Archaeological Society of India and National Institute of Engineering, Mysore
- Novel Nanolime Material for Repair



# Scrap Tire Fiber (STF) in Concrete Repair Project at UBC

- 3 billion tires produced every year, only 35% recycled!
- Developed a process for extraction of fiber from tires
- Placement at MacMillan Building, UBC
- Sensors monitoring performance

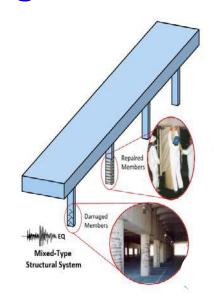






### Sustainable Infrastructure Using Smart FRPs

- Rehabilitate and extend the life of corroded columns with Demonstrated on bridge on Highway 401 in Toronto
- Results incorporated into CSA Code S806 "Design and Construction of Buildings Components with Fibre-Reinforced Polymers"
- Extension to an RO Plant in Roorkee, India

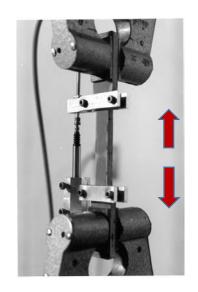


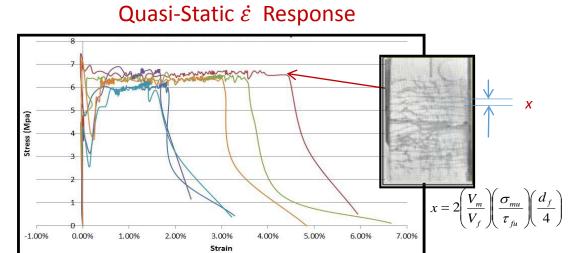


**RO Plant in Roorkee, India** 

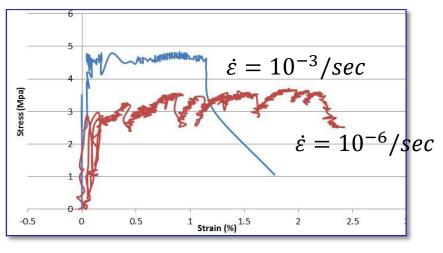


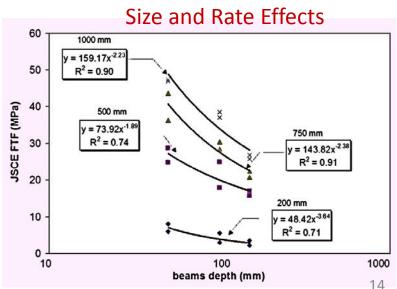
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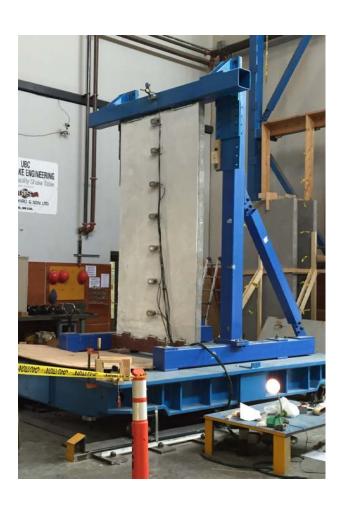
#### $\dot{\varepsilon}$ Associated with Earthquakes







## Translating Research: Eco-friendly Ductile Cementitious Composite (EDCC) for seismic upgrades on URM







Jamieson Elementary School, Deployment of Retrofit Material in 2017





### Where is IC-IMPACTS Heading?



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Global Innovation, Commercialization and International Trade

Expansion to other countries, especially China, US and Mexico





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