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## **Preparation for Devastating Nepal Earthquake**

The recent earthquake in Haiti showed the immense impacts of a devastating earthquake in the capital city of a developing nation. Scientists have warned for decades that an 8.0 magnitude earthquake will strike Kathmandu, Nepal roughly every seventy five years. Therefore, a strong scale earthquake of this magnitude can strike Kathmandu any time.

Nepali diaspora worldwide, especially Nepali Americans have been following the effects and consequences of the recent Haiti earthquake with great concern and horror. As a community we have raised funds to support our Haitian friends and neighbors. We are also keenly aware that a time will come possibly in the near future when Nepal will face many of the same tragedies as Haiti now faces because of the anticipated earthquake.

Three voluntary Nepali professional organizations, America-Nepal Medical Foundation ([www.ANMF.net](http://www.ANMF.net)), American Society of Nepalese Engineers ([www.ASNEngr.org](http://www.ASNEngr.org)), and Computer Association of Nepal-USA ([www.CAN-USA.org](http://www.CAN-USA.org)) have proactively launched a joint effort to unify the Nepali diaspora worldwide and combine their technical and professional knowledge and resources to strategically prepare for the devastation that will impact Nepal in case of an earthquake disaster.

We are actively engaging in and soliciting expertise and resources from the broader American and international community in the areas of infrastructure systems safety and resilience (engineering, analysis, design, construction, and maintenance), telecommunication robustness including disaster telecommunication networks, medical preparedness, and short and long term relief operations. Please [click here](#) or the attached document for more details on the joint ANMF, ASNEngr and CAN-USA endeavor on earthquake preparedness and disaster relief in Nepal.. For further information, please contact the following individuals:

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