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Course Overview
Over the past few years, India’s gross domestic product has grown over 7% with an economic value estimated at US$ 1.22 trillion per year. Unfortunately, India’s freight transportation infrastructure is not adequately built to accommodate this rapidly increasing growth. The purpose of this course is to introduce students, researchers, and practitioners to develop methodological approaches to estimate freight demand and its distribution, choice of mode and route. The course will introduce participants to key freight industry terms, concepts and issues, and provide a freight big picture based on performance of the major freight transportation modes. It will also discuss available approaches to model freight transportation demand. Concise description of the state-of-the-art mathematical models of freight transportation system, focusing primarily on areas where it deviates from passenger transport models. Such mathematical models can support freight demand model development and facilitate policy design in different ways including: explanation of drivers of freight transport; modeling and forecasting of freight flows; performance assessment of freight systems; and design of freight operations.

Course Objectives
The primary objectives of the course are as follows:

- Familiarize the participants to the concept of freight travel demand modeling, and its distinction from passenger travel demand model.
- Develop capability among participants to conceptualize and apply the freight travel demand in the transportation planning process.
- Introduce the participants to practical problems and their solutions, through case studies and real life projects in freight travel demand modeling.
- Identify the input data required for model estimation and application, and how and where the requisite data may be obtained in an efficient and cost-effective manner in a developing country context.
- Establish familiarity with course participants on strategies for implementing, adopting, and adapting the freight travel demand modeling in their developing country contexts and varying geographies.

Course Outline
The course outline includes but not limited to: Three-layer structure of freight: Global, Regional and Local Freight Generation and Freight Trip Generation Forecasting of freight trip generation; Modelling Inter-Regional Freight Demand with Input–Output, Gravity and Spatial Computable General Equilibrium (SCGE) Models Behavioral analysis of freight mode choice decisions Multi-class traffic assignment Aggregate–Disaggregate–Aggregate Model Systems Analysis of Urban Freight Use of GPS and Bluetooth Data for Freight Analysis International best practices of freight models.

You Should Attend If...
- You are a transportation engineer/planner or research scientist interested in freight transportation planning and behavior modeling
- You are a student or faculty from academic institution interested in learning based freight modeling and their application

Registration Fees
Faculty and Scientists: Rs. 2000/-
Participants from Training Organizations/ Industry / Consultancy firms: Rs. 5,000/-
Students and Research Scholars:
  - Without award of grade: Rs 1000/-
  - With award of grade: Rs. 2000/-
  - Participants from abroad: Students: USD 100
  - Other participants from abroad: USD 200

Accommodation
Out station participants will be provided accommodation and boarding in the Institute Guest House in the campus on payment. The charges range from Rs.4000/- to Rs. 5000/- for the entire duration of the course.

Important Dates
Last date for receiving applications: 
November 10, 2016
Intimation to participants:
November 20, 2016
Course Dates:
11-19 December, 2016

Registration Form
Name:.............................................................................................................
Designation:..............................................................................................
Department: ..............................................................................................
Address:.................................................................................................
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Category of Participant:
  - Faculty/Student/Research Scholar of NITR
  - Faculty/Student/Res. Scholar of other Institution
  - Industry Participant

Accommodation Required:
  Yes                                       No
Payment Mode:
Register online @ http://www.gian.iitkgp.ac.in/GREGN/index
The registration fee has to be paid through a Demand Draft which should be drawn in favor of ‘Continuing Education, NIT Rourkela’ payable at SBI, NIT Rourkela Branch (Code: 2109).

Please send the DD and online registration print copy by post to Dr. Prasanta Kumar Bhuyan, Department of Civil Engg, NIT Rourkela, Rourkela – 769008. The DD and the registration copy must reach the coordinator on or before 20th November 2016.