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S.E. (Civil) (First Semester) EXAMINATION, 2015 GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING (2008 PATTERN)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

- N.B. :— (i) Answer any three questions from Section I and three questions from Section II
 - (ii) Answers to the two Sections should be written in separate answer-book.
 - (iii) Neat diagrams must be drawn wherever necessary.
 - (iv) Use of logarithmic tables slide rule, electronic calculator is allowed.
 - (v) Assume suitable data, if necessary.

SECTION I

- 1. (a) Clearly explain the use of knowledge of geotechnical in construction of:
 - (i) Earth Dam
 - (ii) Road Construction.
 - (b) Explain soil as a three-phase system. [6]
 - (c) Define the terms: Water content, state different methods to find water content of a given soil. [6]

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2.	(a)	State the different methods to determine field density of soil.
		Explain any one of them. [6]
	(b)	A soil sample 5.20 N in wet condition and 4 N in dry condition.
		If its volume is found to be 270 ml than what is:
		(i) Water content
		(ii) Dry density (ρ_d)
		(iii) Void ratio (e)
		(iv) Degree of saturation. [6]
	(c)	What is soil exploration and List out the purpose of it. [6]
3.	(a)	Explain with neat sketch falling head permeability test. [6]
	(b)	Calculate the coefficient of permeability of a soil sample,
		6 cm in height and 50 cm ² in cross-sectional area, if quantity
		of water equal to 430 ml passed down in 10 minutes under
		an effective constant head of 40 cm. [6]
	(c)	State and explain the factors affecting permeability of soil. [4]
		Or
4.	(a)	Explain with neat sketch Constant head permeability test. [6]

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- (b) In a falling head permeability test on a silty clay sample, the following result were obtained: Sample length 120 mm, sample diameter 80 mm, initial head 1200 mm, final head 400 mm, time for fall in head 6 minutes, stand pipe diameter is 4 mm. Find the coefficient of permeability of soil in mm/sec. [6]
- (c) What are the properties of flow net? [4]
- 5. (a) State and explain any four factors which influence compaction of soil. [6]
 - (b) Draw a moisture density curve and obtained MDD and OMC with the following records: [6]

Bulk wt. Density	Water Content
(kN/m ³)	%
16.50	10
17.80	13
19.50	16.5
19.80	20
18.50	24.5
18.00	29

(c) What is pressure bulb? Explain its use.

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6.	(a)	Write a short note on Neutral and effective Stress.	[6]	
	(<i>b</i>)	Explain the following methods of stress distribution	in	
		soil:	[6]	
		(i) Equivalent point load method		
		(ii) Approximate stress distribution method.		
	(c)	State Boussinesq's equation for analysis for stress distributi	ion	
		in soil due to a concentrated load and meaning of	all	
		terms.	[4]	
		SECTION II		
7.	(a)	Write a note on Vane Shear Test.	[6]	
	(<i>b</i>)	What are the advantages and disadvantages of direct sha	are	

(c) The shear strength parameters of a given soil are, C = 0.26 kg/cm² and $\phi = 21^{\circ}$. Undrained triaxial tests are to be carried out on specimens of this soil. Determine deviator stress at which failure will occur if the cell pressure be 2.5 kg/cm².

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8.	(a)	What are the three standard triaxial shear tests with respec	ct
		of drainage condition ?	6]
	(b)	What are the factors affecting shear strength of soil ? [6]	6]
	(c)	A Vane 10.8 cm long 7.2 cm in diameter, was pressed in t	to
		the soft clay at the bottom of the bore hole. Torque was applied	d
		and value at failure was 45 Nm. Find the shear strength of	of
		the clay on a horizontal plane.	6]
9.	(a)	State assumption in Rankine's earth pressure theory. [6]	6]
	(b)	What is Taylor's stability numbers? What is its utility in the	ıe
		analysis of stability of slopes.	6]
	(c)	Define the terms Active Earth Pressure, Passive Earth Pressur	:e
		with sketches.	4]
		Or	
10.	(a)	What is 'earth pressure at rest' and state equation for the	ıe
		same.	6]
	(b)	Differentiate between Rankine's and Coulomb's theories of eart	h
		pressure.	6]
	(c)	Explain effect of wall moment with respect to earth pressure. [4]	4]
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11.	(a)	What are different modes of failure of rocks?	[6]
	(b)	Explain durability of rocks.	[4]
	(c)	Write short notes on:	
		(i) Porosity of rocks	
		(ii) Permeability of rocks.	[6]
		Or	
12.	(a)	What are different index properties of rocks ?	[6]
	(b)	Write short notes on:	
		(i) Geological classification of rocks	
		(ii) Shear strength of rocks.	[10]