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SUBJECT: Foundation Engineering

BRANCH(S): CIVIL

Time : 3 Hour

Max Marks : 100

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Answer Question No.1 (Part-1) which is compulsory, any eight from Part-II and any two from Part-III.

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.

Part-I

Q1 Answer the following questions:

(2 x 10)

- What are the differences between earth pressure at rest, active earth pressure and passive earth pressure?
- What are the limitations of the plate load test?
- Define Net ultimate bearing capacity and Net safe bearing capacity.
- Define coefficient of earth pressure.
- Define the group efficiency of pile foundation.
- Define negative skin friction.
- What are the various forces acting on a well foundation?
- Explain disturbed & un-disturbed samples.
- What is area correction in collecting the soil samples with a sampler?
- Define: (a) rock mass, (b) joints, (c) faults, (d) folds

Part-II

Q2 Only Focused-Short Answer Type Questions- (Answer Any Eight out of Twelve) (6 x 8)

- Compare Rankine's theory and Coulomb's theory for estimating earth pressure. State the conditions for their validity.
- Explain the different modes of failure of foundation soil.
- Discuss the effect of the water table on bearing capacity of soil.
- State different types of pile based on their application.
- Briefly explain the load transfer mechanism in pile foundation with a neat sketch.
- What are the different types of mat foundation? When are they preferred? Explain.
- What do you understand by under-reamed piles and what situations dictate their use?
- Briefly explain static and dynamic formulae of load carrying capacity of piles.
- Discuss the use of Culmann's graphical solutions for determining earth pressure.

- j) Discuss wash boring method of soil exploration.
- k) Write a note on dynamic cone penetration test.
- l) Discuss various types of defects in rock.

Part-III

Only Long Answer Type Questions (Answer Any Two out of Four)

- Q3** a) Discuss various stability conditions checked for design of retaining walls. (8)
- b) Determine the active earth pressure on a vertical retaining wall supporting a two-layer soil with a horizontal surface. The soil properties of the two layers are as follows (water table present at a depth of 2 m from the ground level): (8)
- Top layer: $\phi' = 35^\circ$, $\gamma' = 17 \text{ kN/m}^3$, depth = 2 m
- Bottom layer: $\phi' = 38^\circ$, $\gamma_{\text{sat}} = 18 \text{ kN/m}^3$, depth = 2 m (assume $\gamma_w = 10 \text{ kN/m}^3$)
- Q4** a) Discuss the Standard penetration test and write the corrections applied to the results. (8)
- b) A square column foundation has to be designed for a gross allowable total load of 250 kN. If the load is inclined at an angle of 15° to the vertical, determine the width of the foundation. Take a factor of safety of 3.0 and use IS Code method. $\gamma = 19 \text{ kN/m}^3$, $\phi = 35^\circ$, and $c = 5 \text{ kN/m}^2$. The depth of the foundation is 1.0 m. ($N_c = 46.12$, $N_q = 33.3$ and $N_\gamma = 48.03$) (8)
- Q5** a) Discuss the different components of a well foundation and their utility with a neat sketch. (8)
- b) A group of 9 piles with three piles in a row was driven into soft clay extending from ground level to a great depth. The diameter and length of piles were 30 cm and 10 cm respectively. The unconfined compression strength of clay is 70 kN/m^2 . If the piles were spaced at 90 cm centre to centre, compute the allowable load on the pile group on the basis of shear failure criteria for a factor of safety of 2.5, neglect bearing at the tip of piles, take $m = 0.6$ for shear mobilization around each pile. (8)
- Q6** a) Enumerate the scope and objectives of methods of soil exploration. (8)
- b) What are the various geophysical methods? Discuss any one of them. (8)