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SIDDHARTH INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY:: PUTTUR
(AUTONOMOUS)B.Tech II Year II Semester Regular Examinations October-2022
GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING
(Civil Engineering)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 60

(Answer all Five Units 5 x 12 = 60 Marks)

UNIT-I

- 1 a How soils are formed? Describe briefly the factors affecting the soil formation. L1 6M
b What are the different types of soil structures which can occur in nature? Describe briefly. L1 6M

OR

- 2 a Define and explain: Liquid limit; Plastic limit; Shrinkage limit; and Plasticity Index. L2 6M
b A soil has a liquid limit of 45%, plastic limit of 20% and flow index of 50%. Determine its toughness index. If the natural water content is 25%, comment on the state of its consistency. Also, classify the soil as per IS Classification if the fraction passing through 75-micron sieve is 60%. L2 6M

UNIT-II

- 3 a What are the factors affecting compaction? Explain briefly. L2 6M
b An earth embankment is compacted at a water content 18% to a bulk density of 19.2 KN/m³. If the specific gravity of the sand is 2.7 find the void ratio and the degree of saturation of compacted embankment. L2 6M

OR

- 4 a What is consolidation? Describe briefly various types of consolidation of soils. L2 6M
b In a consolidation test the following results have been obtained. When the load was changed from 50 kN/m² to 100 kN/m², the void ratio changed from 0.70 to 0.65. Determine compression index, coefficient of volume change and coefficient of consolidation in mm²/sec. L4 6M

UNIT-III

- 5 a What are the assumptions and limitations made in Boussinesq's theory? L2 6M
b What do you understand by 'Pressure bulb'? Illustrate with sketches. L2 6M

OR

- 6 a Explain the Mohr-Coulomb strength theory. L2 6M
b Explain the procedure of Triaxial Test with neat sketch. L2 6M

UNIT-IV

- 7 a What are the factors causes the slope failures? L1 6M
b Explain different types of slope failures with neat sketches. L2 6M

OR

- 8 a A canal is to be excavated through a soil with $c = 15 \text{ KN/m}^2$, $\Phi = 20^\circ$, $e = 0.9$ and $G = 2.67$. The side slope is 1 in 1. The depth of the canal is 6 m. determine the factor of safety with respect to cohesion when the canal runs full. What will be the factor of safety if the canal is rapidly emptied? L3 6M
b Explain Taylor's stability number. L2 6M

UNIT-V

- 9 a What are the different stages in sub soil exploration? L2 6M
b Explain various uses of site investigations. L2 6M

OR

- 10 Give a detailed account on how Standard Penetration Test is conducted. What are the relevant corrections applied to SPT number? L2 12M

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