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**QUESTION BANK (DESCRIPTIVE)**

**Subject with Code:** Foundation Engineering (20CE0136)

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**UNIT- I**

**EARTH PRESSURE THEORIES & RETAINING WALLS**

1	Define earth pressure theory and various types of lateral earth pressure with neat sketch.	[L2][CO1]	[12M]
2	Determine the lateral earth pressure at rest per unit length of wall as shown in fig. Also determine the resultant earth pressure. Take $K_0=1-\text{Sin}\phi'$ , $\gamma_w=10\text{kN/m}^3$ .	[L3][CO1]	[12M]
3	What are the assumptions of earth pressure theory and derive an expression for Rankines Earth pressure in cohesive soils?	[L2][CO1]	[12M]
4	Derive expression for Rehmann's method for the determination of active earth pressure with neat sketch.	[L3][CO1]	[12M]
5	Discuss culmann's method for the determination of active earth pressure.	[L3][CO1]	[12M]
6	Determine the active pressure on the retaining wall as shown in fig. Take $\gamma_w=10\text{kN/m}^3$ .	[L3][CO1]	[12M]
7	Explain various types of retaining walls with neat sketch.	[L2][CO1]	[12M]
8	With the help of neat sketch explain design of gravity retaining walls.	[L2][CO1]	[12M]
9	Explain various requirements of stability analysis of Gravity retaining walls.	[L2][CO1]	[12M]
10	A cantilever retaining wall of 7mts height retains sand. The properties of sand are $e=0.5, \phi=30^0$ and $G=2.7$ . Using Rankines theory Determine the active earth pressure at the base when the backfill is (i) dry (ii) saturated (iii) submerged and also the resultant active force in each case.	[L3][CO1]	[12M]

**UNIT –II**  
**SHALLOW FOUNDATIONS & SETTLEMENTS**

1	What are different types of shallow foundations? Explain with the help of neat Sketches?	[L2][CO2]	[12M]
2	(a) With neat sketches explain different types of shear failures.	[L2][CO2]	[6M]
	(b) Determine the ultimate bearing capacity of a strip footing, 1.20 m wide, and having the depth of foundation of 1.0 m. use Terzaghi's theory and assume general shear failure. Take $\phi = 35^\circ$ , $\gamma = 18 \text{ kN/m}^3$ , and $C' = 15 \text{ kN/m}^2$ . Take ( $N_c=57.8$ , $N_\gamma=42.4$ , $N_q=41.4$ )	[L3][CO2]	[6M]
3	Discuss effect of water table on the bearing capacity of the soil with neat sketch.	[L2][CO2]	[12M]
4	a) List out various parameters for choice of type of foundation.	[L1][CO2]	[6M]
	b) Write various points to consider for fixing depth of foundation.	[L1][CO2]	[6M]
5	A strip footing of 2m width is founded at a depth of 4m below the ground surface. Determine the net ultimate bearing capacity, using a) Terzaghi's equation ( $N_c=5.7$ , $N_\gamma=1.0$ , $N_q=0.0$ ) b) Skempton's equation c) IS Code ( $N_c=5.14$ ). The soil is clay ( $\phi=0^\circ$ , $C=10\text{kN/m}^2$ ). The unit weight of soil is $20\text{kN/m}^3$ .	[L3][CO2]	[12M]
6	Describe how the plate load test is conducted with a neat sketch.	[L2][CO2]	[12M]
7	What are different types of settlements that occur in a foundation?	[L2][CO2]	[12M]
8	Discuss the various methods of determination of allowable soil pressure in cohesion less soils.	[L2][CO2]	[12M]
9	Discuss the various methods of determination of allowable soil pressure in cohesion soils.	[L2][CO2]	[12M]
10	(a) Determine the ultimate bearing capacity of a square footing, resting on the surface of saturated clay of unconfined compressive strength of $98\text{kN/m}^2$ .	[L3][CO2]	[6M]
	(b) A rectangular footing (3 m X 2 m) exerts a pressure of $100 \text{ kN/m}^2$ on a cohesive soil ( $E_s = 5 \times 10^4$ and $\mu=0.50$ ). Determine the immediate settlement at the centre, assuming a) Footing is flexible b) Footing is rigid.	[L3][CO2]	[6M]

**UNIT –III**  
**PILE FOUNDATIONS**

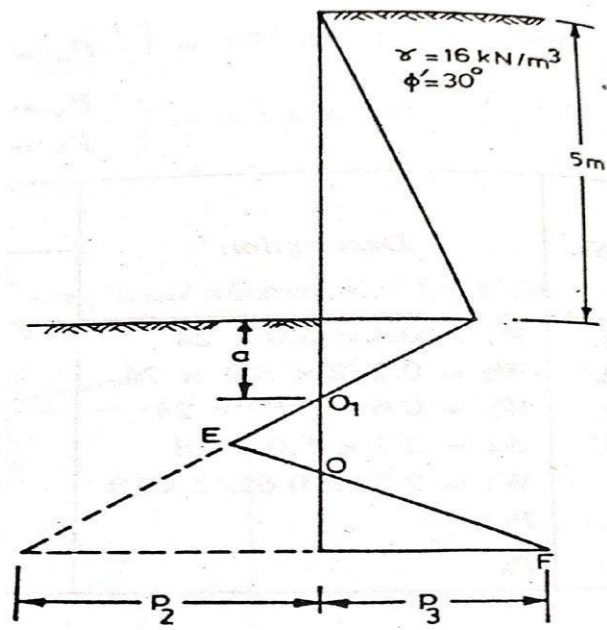
1	Define pile foundation. Detail about necessity of pile foundation.	[L1][CO3]	[12M]																								
2	List out various classifications of pile foundations. Discuss different methods for installation of piles	[L2][CO3]	[12M]																								
3	How would you estimate the load carrying capacity of a pile in (a) cohesion less soils (b) Cohesive soils by using static methods?	[L2][CO3]	[12M]																								
4	How would you estimate the load carrying capacity of a pile by using dynamic formulae?	[L2][CO3]	[12M]																								
5	<p>A precast concrete pile (35cm x 35cm) is driven by a single –acting steam hammer. Estimate the allowable load using (a) Engineering News Record Formula (F.S.=6) (b)Hiley Formula (F.S.=4) and (c) Danish Formula (F.S. =4).</p> <p>Use the following data.</p> <table style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td>(i)</td> <td>Maximum rated Energy</td> <td>= 3500kN-m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(ii)</td> <td>Weight of hammer</td> <td>= 35kN</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(iii)</td> <td>Length of pile</td> <td>= 15m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(iv)</td> <td>Efficiency of hammer</td> <td>= 0.8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(v)</td> <td>Coefficient of resitution</td> <td>= 0.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(vi)</td> <td>Weight of pile cap</td> <td>= 3kN</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(vii)</td> <td>No of blows for last 2.54mm</td> <td>= 6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(viii)</td> <td>Modulus of elasticity of concrete</td> <td>= <math>2 \times 10^7</math> kN/m<sup>2</sup></td> </tr> </table> <p>Assume any other data, if required. Take the weight of pile as 73.5kN.</p>	(i)	Maximum rated Energy	= 3500kN-m	(ii)	Weight of hammer	= 35kN	(iii)	Length of pile	= 15m	(iv)	Efficiency of hammer	= 0.8	(v)	Coefficient of resitution	= 0.5	(vi)	Weight of pile cap	= 3kN	(vii)	No of blows for last 2.54mm	= 6	(viii)	Modulus of elasticity of concrete	= $2 \times 10^7$ kN/m <sup>2</sup>	[L3][CO3]	[12M]
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6	Explain in detail In-situ penetration tests for pile capacity.	[L1][CO4]	[12M]																								
7	a) A 30cm diameter concrete pile is driven into a homogeneous consolidated clay deposit ( $c_u=40\text{kN/m}^2$ , $\alpha=0.7$ ).If the embedded length is 10m, estimate the safe load (F.S. =2.5).	[L3][CO4]	[6M]																								
	b) A square concrete pile (30cm side) 10 m long is driven into coarse sand ( $\gamma=18.5$ kN/m <sup>3</sup> , $N=2.0$ ). Determine the allowable load (F.S. =3.0).	[L2][CO4]	[6M]																								
8	How would you estimate the group action of piles in (a) sand (b) clay?	[L2][CO4]	[12M]																								
9	Describe how the pile load test is conducted with a neat sketch.	[L2][CO4]	[12M]																								
10	Explain settlement of pile groups in (a) cohesion less soils (b) cohesive soils.	[L2][CO4]	[12M]																								

**UNIT –IV**  
**WELL FOUNDATIONS & CAISSON FOUNDATION**

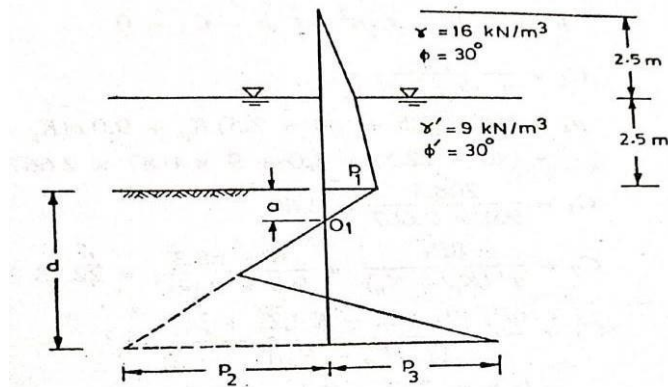
<b>1</b>	Explain different shapes of wells with neat sketch.	[L1][CO5]	[12M]
<b>2</b>	Discuss various forces acting on well foundation.	[L1][CO5]	[12M]
<b>3</b>	What are the various components of well foundations? What are its uses?	[L1][CO5]	[12M]
<b>4</b>	Explain various steps involved in sinking operation of wells with neat sketch.	[L2][CO5]	[12M]
<b>5</b>	Explain various measures for rectification of Tilts and Shifts with neat sketch.	[L2][CO5]	[12M]
<b>6</b>	Explain the construction of open caisson with the help of neat sketch.	[L2][CO5]	[12M]
<b>7</b>	Describe the various components of pneumatic caisson with the help of neat sketch.	[L2][CO5]	[12M]
<b>8</b>	Explain the construction of Floating caisson with the help of neat sketch.	[L2][CO5]	[12M]
<b>9</b>	What are the advantages and disadvantages of pneumatic caisson over open caisson?	[L1][CO5]	[12M]
<b>10</b>	What are the advantages and disadvantages of Floating caisson and discuss stability of floating caisson during flotation?	[L1][CO5]	[12M]

**UNIT –V**  
**SHEET PILE WALLS**

1	What are different types of sheet pile walls? Explain with neat sketch.	[L1][CO6]	[12M]
2	Explain the pressure distribution and stability of free cantilever sheet pile with neat sketch.	[L3][CO6]	[12M]
3	Explain in detail the pressure distribution of cantilever sheet pile in cohesion less soils with neat sketch.	[L3][CO6]	[12M]
4	Explain in detail the pressure distribution of cantilever sheet pile penetrating clay with neat sketch.	[L3][CO6]	[12M]
5	Explain the stability of anchored sheet piles with free earth support with neat sketch.	[L2][CO6]	[12M]
6	Explain in detail Rowe’s moment reduction curves.	[L2][CO6]	[12M]
7	Explain the procedure used in the analysis of the sheet pile with fixed earth support with neat sketch using equivalent beam method.	[L2][CO6]	[12M]
8	What are different anchors used in sheet pile walls? Explain the design of anchor pates and beams with neat sketch.	[L2][CO6]	[12M]
9	Determine the required of penetration of the cantilever sheet pile as shown in fig. Take $\gamma = 16 \text{ kN/m}^3$ .	[L3][CO6]	[12M]



- 10 Determine the depth of penetration of the cantilever sheet pile as shown in fig. The water level on both sides is the same. [L3][CO6] [12M]



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