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**Set No. 1**

**IV B.Tech I Semester Regular Examinations, October/November - 2019**  
**GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING - II**  
**(Civil Engineering)**

**Time: 3 hours**

**Max. Marks: 70**

*Question paper consists of Part-A and Part-B*  
*Answer ALL sub questions from Part-A*  
*Answer any FOUR questions from Part-B*  
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**PART-A (14 Marks)**

1. a) Define infinite slope and give example with sketch. [2]
- b) Draw the strain versus earth pressure diagram and show the salient points. [3]
- c) Write any two factors that affect bearing capacity of foundation. [2]
- d) Why adhesion factor is taken high in soft clay while estimating pile capacity? [3]
- e) Why wells are not used as foundations now a days? [2]
- f) What is area ratio? [2]

**PART-B (4x14 = 56 Marks)**

2. a) Why upstream slopes fail? Discuss the reasons with neat sketch. [6]
- b) An embankment is inclined at an angle of  $35^\circ$  and its height is 15 m. The angle of shearing resistance is  $15^\circ$  and the cohesion intercept is  $200 \text{ kN/m}^2$ . The unit weight of soil is  $18 \text{ kN/m}^3$ . If the Taylor's stability number is 0.06, find the factor of safety with respect to cohesion. Also estimate the critical height of the slope. [8]
3. a) Critically comment on the assumptions of Rankine's earth pressure theory. [6]
- b) A gravity retaining wall retains 7m high backfill,  $\gamma = 18 \text{ kN/m}^3$  and  $\phi = 30^\circ$  with a uniform horizontal surface. Assume the wall interface to be vertical, determine the magnitude and point of application of the total active earth pressure force. [8]
4. a) State the basic requirements of a foundation. And also write a note on minimum depth of foundation. [6]
- b) Determine the net ultimate bearing capacity of a rectangular footing, 1.2 m x 3.0 m, placed at 1.8 m below the ground in a saturated clay with a unit weight of  $20 \text{ kN/m}^3$ . Use Skempton's approach. [8]
5. a) Discuss the group action of piles on load carry capacity in dense sands. [6]
- b) A group of 16 piles arranged in square pattern are driven into a clay deposit whose properties are  $\phi' = 0$ ,  $c_u = 72 \text{ kN/m}^2$  and  $\alpha = 0.65$ . The piles are 500mm in diameter, 8m long and spaced at 1.2m center to center. Calculate the capacity of the group neglecting end bearing. [8]
6. a) Discuss the different shapes of cross-sections of wells used in practice, giving the merits and demerits of each. [6]
- b) How do you remediate tilts and shifts of wells? Discuss. [8]
7. a) Describe various methods of drilling holes for subsurface investigations. [8]
- b) Explain the following terms as related to soil sampling:  
(i) Disturbed and undisturbed samples (ii) Representative and non-representative samples (iii) Rock Quality Designation. [6]

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**PART-A (14 Marks)**

1. a) Differentiate finite and infinite slope. [2]
- b) A 6m high backfill of  $\phi = 30^\circ$  has surcharge 120 kPa on top. Estimate the active earth pressure. [3]
- c) When do you apply dilatancy correction for measured SPT N value? [3]
- d) What are the drawbacks in dynamic formulae for pile capacity? [2]
- e) What is scour depth? [2]
- f) What is the use of undisturbed soil samples? [2]

**PART-B (4x14 = 56 Marks)**

2. a) Why slopes fail? Discuss different types of slope failure. [6]
- b) What are the reasons for steady seepage in an earth dam? Discuss its effect on downstream slope failure. [8]
3. a) Explain the following with neat sketches (i) active earth pressure (ii) at rest earth pressure and (iii) passive earth pressure. [6]
- b) A retaining wall, 8m high, retains a cohesionless backfill. The top 3 m of the fill has a unit weight of  $17 \text{ kN/m}^3$  and  $\phi = 33^\circ$  and the rest has unit weight of  $18.5 \text{ kN/m}^3$  and  $\phi = 28^\circ$ . Draw the active earth pressure distribution diagram. Also find the total active earth thrust and its location from the bottom of the wall. [8]
4. a) Discuss the tolerable settlements of various structures. [6]
- b) A 1.8 m square column is founded at a depth of 1.8 m in sand, for which the corrected N- value is 24. The water table is at a depth of 2.7 m. Determine the net allowable bearing pressure for a permissible settlement of 40 mm and a factor of safety of 3 against shear failure. [8]
5. a) What is group effect and how will you estimate the capacity of a pile group in sand? Discuss. [6]
- b) A square pile 0.3m size penetrates a soft clay with unit cohesion of  $85 \text{ kN/m}^2$  for a depth of 16 m and rests on stiff soil. Determine the capacity of the pile, if the unit cohesion of stiff clay is 180 kPa. Assume an adhesion factor of 0.70. [8]
6. a) Discuss various shapes of well foundation with their practical relevance. [7]
- b) What is grip length of well foundation? Discuss how it is estimated as per the Indian standard code of practice. [7]
7. a) How do you judge the disturbing effect of soil-sampler? [7]
- b) Explain briefly how do you plan an exploration programme for a housing colony. [7]

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**PART-A (14 Marks)**

1. a) Write the expression for Taylor's stability number. [3]
- b) Write the advantages of graphical methods in earth pressure calculation. [2]
- c) When do you prefer allowable bearing capacity? Write a note. [3]
- d) What are displacement piles? [2]
- e) What is grip length of wells? [2]
- f) What is core recovery ratio? [2]

**PART-B (4x14 = 56 Marks)**

2. a) Discuss the draw backs of slope stability analysis by Method of Slices. [6]
- b) An embankment 10 m high is inclined at an angle of  $35^\circ$  to the horizontal. A stability analysis by the method of slices gives the following forces per running meter:  $\Sigma T = \Sigma$  Shearing forces = 500 kN,  $\Sigma N = \Sigma$  Normal forces = 1000 kN and  $\Sigma U = \Sigma$  Pore water pressure forces = 250 kN. The length of the failure arc is 30 m. Laboratory tests on the soil indicate the effective values  $c'$  and  $\phi'$  as 25 kN/m<sup>2</sup> and  $15^\circ$  respectively. Determine the factor of safety of the slope with respect to (i) shearing strength and (ii) cohesion. [8]
3. a) Explain how you will determine active pressure by Culmann's graphical method for cohesionless soil without surcharge line load? [10]
- b) Discuss depth of tension crack and unsupported height in clay backfill. [4]
4. a) Explain what is meant by 'safe bearing capacity' of soil. Indicate how the bearing capacity shallow footing in a given soil can be calculated from the strength characteristics of the soil. [7]
- b) Compute the safe bearing capacity of a continuous footing 2.0 m wide and resting on a clayey sand at a depth of 1.5 m if  $c = 16$  kN/m<sup>2</sup>,  $\phi = 25^\circ$ ,  $\gamma_{\text{sat}} = 19$  kN/m<sup>3</sup>,  $N_c = 25$ ,  $N_q = 12.5$ ,  $N_\gamma = 10$  and F.S.=3.0. [7]
5. a) What are the circumstances under which a pile foundation is used? [4]
- b) A group of 16 piles arranged in square pattern are driven into a clay deposit whose properties are  $\phi' = 0$ ,  $c_u = 72$  kPa and  $\alpha = 0.65$ . The piles are 500mm in diameter, 8m long and spaced at 1.2m center to center. Calculate the capacity of the group neglecting end bearing. [10]
6. a) What are the circumstances under which a well foundation is more suited than other types? Sketch and describe the various components of a well foundation, indicating the function of each. [7]
- b) Enumerate the various methods for the analysis of lateral stability of a well acted on by horizontal forces. [7]
7. a) List various geophysical methods. Discuss their limitations and uses. [6]
- b) Discuss the neat Mohan how the pressure meter test is conducted in situ. [8]

