

**FURTHER DETAILS REGARDING MAIN TOPICS OF  
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**PART I – QUESTIONS BASED ON DIPLOMA IN CIVIL ENGINEERING**

**MODULE - I CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING**

**Structural building materials**

**Stones:** classification geological, Physical and chemical classification characteristics of good building stone varieties of stones-granite-trap-basalt-sand stone-Laterite - Values of load bearing capacity of stones. Quarrying of stones -methods - wedging and blasting -explosives used - Dressing of stones.

**Clay Products:** Bricks: Raw materials used - Composition of brick earth, manufacturing methods - IS specifications of bricks - characteristics of good brick used for building purpose.

Tiles: Types of tiles-characteristics-uses-Porcelain and glazed tiles.

Earthenware and stoneware pipes -uses-qualities.

**Lime:** Sources of lime-Classification-methods of manufacturing

**Cements:** Composition, Compounds present, manufacturing methods-characteristics of cement, Types of cement-Properties of each-characteristics of cement-Tests on cement-Consistency test, fineness test. Sp. gravity test, setting time test, Soundness test. Puzzolona-definition-Common puzzolonas used as admixtures in cement.

**Aggregates:** Sand: Sources of sand-River sand, Sea sand and pit sand-Limitations of mining of sand from rivers and sea shore- M-sand, alternatives of sand.

Coarse aggregates: Materials generally used, requirements of good coarse aggregates, commonly, used sizes for different applications.

**Cement Concrete:** Plain cement concrete-Water cement ratio-Ingredients and proportioning methods characteristics – preparation – workability - Tests on Cement concrete-Laboratory tests and field tests- Slump test, compaction factor test-Qualities of water used for mixing. Reinforced cement concrete- Qualities of materials-Types of reinforcement used-characteristics of reinforcing material- waterproofing compounds.

Mortar: Preparation of lime and cement mortar-Proportions of mortar for various items of work-tests on cement mortar.

**Timber and wood products:** Structural classification- Soft wood and hard wood-defects in timber- seasoning of timber-preservation of timber.

**Metals:** Ferrous metals-Wrought iron. Cast iron. Mild steel -- Special steels-High carbon steel, High tensile steel and stainless steel (Properties and uses only)-Non ferrous metals: Aluminum. Copper, Lead, Zinc and Titanium-important alloys-properties and uses.

**Ornamental materials for finishing:** Paints and Varnishes: Types-Constituents-Preparation-characteristics and application.

Plastics: types-characteristics and properties of P V C-uses-Limitations of using plastics.

Rubber: Characteristics and properties, uses.

Aluminium : Aluminium sections used for building construction- Hand rail and baluster. Doors and windows, Paneling and false ceiling, building facade.

Glass: Types -Uses and properties. Glass used for Structural applications.

**Miscellaneous:** Abrasives – Adhesives - asbestos – asphalt – bitumen – cork - Plaster of Paris insulating materials - fibre glass- thermo Cole wood products-veneers, ply wood, particle board - fibre board, hard board, etc.

**Construction Technology:** Masonry,: Classification- Stone masonry-Brick masonry - Laterite masonry - composite masonry. Different types of stone masonry-General principles and specifications for stone masonry as per relevant codes.

Brick masonry: Different types of bonds for walls, piers and junctions of walls for equal and unequal thickness - English, Flemish (Single and Double Flemish) - Specification for brick masonry as per relevant codes.

Hollow block masonry: Types of hollow blocks used in construction and methods of Construction- Advantages and Disadvantages with reference to other types of masonry. Solid block masonry and inter locking block masonry.

Partition walls: Types- materials- requirements.

Modern methods of constructions: Framed - Prefabricated and Earthquake resistant structures.

Damp proof course: Definition of dampness - causes and effects - methods of prevention - surface treatment - internal water proofing courses.

Pre stressed concrete: Principle of pre stressing- Types- Internal & External and different methods-pre-tensioning & post tensioning.

Form work: Functions- materials used - Requirements of good form work - modern trends in material & technology- slip forms.

Scaffolding, Shoring and under pinning: Definition - purpose and function - Requirements - materials used

Plastering and Pointing: Materials and proportion - Functions - general specifications – type

**Building Components:** Different components of building from foundation to roof and their functions

Foundations: Functions, Classification, Shallow-Deep, Types- Spread footing- raft-mat-column footing-pile foundation- well foundation.

Flooring: Requirements of a good floor - materials used for flooring. Floor finishes-types - Mosaic, Marble, Granite, Ceramic tiles, Vitrified tiles, Glass, Wooden, and other types of modern floor finishes

Doors and Windows: Positioning of Doors and windows with respect to lighting and ventilation-Types and Size -Special types of doors-

Lintels and sunshades: Types of lintels- Arches- Types, terms used.

Vertical Transportation: Staircases, Lifts and Escalators - Planning and location -Component parts of staircase and lift - Requirements as per NBC- Ceiling: Types, Requirements of good ceiling, Selection of materials

Materials used for Ceiling - False ceiling.

Roof: Definition - Different types of trusses for pitched roof- wood and steel trusses - roof covering for pitched roof- RCC roof - slab with beams - flat and sloped slabs - Flat slab construction- weather proof course to flat roof

Floor finishing: Requirements of good floor finish, Selection of materials

**Introduction to construction management:** Need for construction management - factors involved in construction management.

Preliminary planning and organizational aspects importance of planning - site investigation - Feasibility report - collection of data and preparation of project report - different organizations - Engineering department organizational - structure of PWD - and responsibilities - Role of various Officers-

(Overseer, AE, A Ex E, EE, SE & CE)

Estimates - preliminary estimate - detailed estimate - budget provision - Administrative Sanction and technical sanction - powers of sanction.

**Construction Planning:** Construction stages - construction operation- schedule-procurement of labour, material and equipment - programme of work - objectives of programming - job layout - bar chart and flow process chart - Work study - critical path method - preparation of network diagram - critical path and calculation of Float times. Scheduling by PERT. Comparison between PERT and CPM.

**Execution of Works:** Permanent and work charged establishments-specifications - enforcement of specifications - inspection by officials - quality control - supervision - sampling and testing of materials. Regulation of departmental labour muster roll and casual labour roll - out turn - plant capacities and hire charges.

**Contracts:** Legality of contracts, types of contracts piecework contracts, lump sum contracts, item rate contract, percentage contract - negotiated rates - departmental execution of works - piecework system -merits and demerits of each contract system.

**Tender and Tender notices:** Necessity of tenders - sealed tenders - tender notice, tender document - Earnest money and security deposit - opening of tenders - scrutiny of tenders - comparative statements - selection of contractors - negotiation, acceptance of tender, work order - contract agreement - conditions of contract

**Measurement of Works:** Measurement book - Rules to be followed in recording measurements - pre-measurements and check measurements - contractor's acceptance of measurement.

**Payment of Bills:** Types of bills first and final bills- preparation of bills - running account bills -modes of payment - hand receipts - checking of bills - recoveries to be made from bill - contractors ledger - imprest account - works register - works account and abstract.

**Human Resource management:** Definition - Difference between selection, appointment and recruitment - training of employees - managing men - labour well fares - trade unions.

**Stores:** Classification of stores - materials - heavy plant and machinery - material handling - transport vehicles- inspection of vehicles - tools and plants - materials at site - borrowing and lending of tools and plants - safe custody of stores- procedure of taking delivery from station yards, demurrage - issue of stores materials indent -stock register - periodical inspection of stores verification and accounting of shortage and surplus -write off-

**Materials management;** Definition – selection of material as per standards -Optimum use of materials

**Construction machinery:** Earth moving equipments - crawler and wheel tractors - bull dozers-uses- Operation-of power shovels-selection- output of power shovel- Drag-lines-types-operations- output of Drag lines- output of hoes.  
Concrete Machinery-concrete mixers-classification-ready mix plants-compaction machinery-vibrators- Lifting and hoisting machineries-pumps – types - uses.

**Principles of safety in construction:** causes, effects and prevention of accidents, safety practices in construction - Site Engineers/Supervisor's role - safety through legislation - precautions during handling of materials occupational hazards and basic guidelines for safety in construction industry.

**Entrepreneurship and Management:** Entrepreneurship - concept - definition, role, and expectation - Entrepreneurship in construction related activities. Technocrats – managers - Entrepreneurial Motivation and Development - advantages and disadvantages - List the institutions supporting entrepreneurship and their role.

**Small scale Industry:** Growth-its role in economic development. Understands the requirements of a licensed supervisor, surveyor and contractor - Understand statutory requirements of small scale industry - List the different agencies promoting small scale industries - Assistance Programme for small enterprises.

**Quality Management:** Introduction to quality control and quality assurance system - elements of quality - ISO 9000 and T.Q.M. - Quality systems - Definitions of quality policy,

quality management quality system - Indian standards on quality system – ISO 9000 - Merits and demerits.

**Environmental Hazards & Disasters:** Meaning of Environmental hazards. Environmental Disasters and Environmental stress - Concept of Environmental Hazards, Environmental stress & Environmental Disasters.

Types of Environmental hazards & Disasters: a) Natural hazards and Disasters b) Man induced hazards & Disasters.

Causes and Environmental Consequences of the flowing natural HAZARDS –

Emerging approaches in Disaster Management -

1. Pre-disaster stage (preparedness): a) Preparing hazard zonation maps, Predictability/forecasting & warning, b) Preparing disaster preparedness plan c) Land use zoning d) Preparedness through (IEC) Information, education & Communication. Pre-disaster stage (mitigation): a) Disaster resistant house construction b) Population reduction in vulnerable areas c) Awareness
2. Emergency Stage: a) Rescue training for search & operation at national & regional level b) immediate relief c) Assessment surveys.
3. Post Disaster stage-Rehabilitation: a) Political administrative aspect c) Economic aspect d) Environmental aspect.

## **Module - II SURVEYING & QUANTITY SURVEYING**

**Compass survey:** Purpose and principles of compass survey-description and working of prismatic compass - concept of meridian - bearing of a line - True bearing and magnetic bearing - Magnetic dip and declination. Field work in compass survey -hooking of field notes. Reduced and whole circle bearings. Calculations of included angles in compass traverse. Sources of errors in compass surveying. Local attraction-detection and Correction. Plotting of compass traverse - closing error and adjustments.

**Levelling:** Purpose of levelling - Errors in levelling - curvature and refraction corrections, distance to visible horizon -problems.

Classification of levelling - fly levelling, profile levelling, cross sectioning, checks levelling, reciprocal levelling and contouring. Contouring - Characteristics - methods of contouring, plotting by interpolation - tracing contour gradient - uses. Marking alignments of road, railway and canal in a contour map. Capacity of reservoirs using contour maps. Longitudinal sectioning and cross sectioning- plotting - working profile for roads. Permanent adjustments of dumpy level.

**Theodolite Survey:** Types of theodolites - Transit and non transit, vernier and micrometer, digital parts of a transit theodolite. Temporary adjustments of a theodolite, technical terms used in theodolite surveying - fundamental lines and relationship between them. Measurement of horizontal angles - repetition and reiteration methods - other uses of theodolite such as measurement of magnetic bearing of a line, deflection angle and prolongation of straight lines

Permanent adjustment of a theodolite - object of permanent adjustment - order of permanent adjustment.

Types of traverses -- method of theodolite traversing -

Calculation of consecutive co-ordinates, independent co-ordinates - problems related - permissible error in angular and linear measurements - calculation of closing error. Balancing of consecutive co-ordinates by Bowditch and Transit rules. Gales table preparation, computation of areas of a closed traverse from independent co-ordinates. Omitted measurements - different cases such as length of one side missing, bearing of one side missing, length and bearing of one side missing, length of one side and bearing of other side missing, length of two adjacent sides missing - problems related. Height and distance - Reading vertical angle - finding elevation of objects - base of the object accessible and inaccessible - instrument in same plane and different plane problems related- EDM optical theodolite method -

Principles of tacheometric - constants of tacheometer - determination of the constants - systems of tacheometric measurements. Stadia systems and tangential system -theory of stadia tacheometry. Relations on staff held vertical and normal to the line of sight. Determination of distance and elevation - problems related, anallactic lens - advantages - disadvantages -problems with anallactic lens. Tangential tacheometry -principle - method tacheometric traversing- tacheometric contouring.

Curves - different types - elements of a simple curve - designation of a curve — description of transition curves. Requirement of transition curves - length of transition curves for roads - introduction to vertical curves -geometries of a vertical curve.

### **Total Station, GPS and GIS**

Electronic Theodolites - Total stations - component parts -set up - working principles - maintenance of EDM instruments - temporary adjustments -measurement with total station traverse with total station. Survey station description-data gathering components-data processing components- error sources and controlling errors-field coding-field controlling-Modem for data transfer- readings with prism mode and non prism mode.

Remote sensing - Introduction and applications in Civil Engineering, Global positioning system (GPS) – fundamentals, GPS receivers, GPS observations, transformation of GPS results.

Geographical information systems (GIS) - map definitions, map projections data entry importance, use and application of GIS in Civil Engineering. Introduction to Photogrammetry.

Field astronomy -methods-grouping -terms in field astronomy

### **QUANTITY SURVEYING AND VALUATION**

Definition of quantity surveying - essential requirements - Quantity surveyor – duties and qualities -definition and elements of estimate - types - rough cost, plinth area, cubical content and service unit method

Detailed estimate: Units of measurements for different items as per standard - accuracy of measurements - explain the terms – sundries, Lump sum, Lead and lift, contingencies, unforeseen items, work charged establishment. Earth work computation - Trapezoidal - Mid ordinate and Prismoidal formula for computing volumes - Taking out quantities from Longitudinal section and Cross section in cutting and filling.

Different methods of taking out measurements - Center line - in to in and out to out - Crossing methods.

Definition - cost of materials at source and at site -- conveyance charges – standard data book - schedule of rates - Lump sum items - Rules of measurements - rules regarding tolerance of wastage of materials and extra labour.

Preparation of data - categories of labour and labour charge - cost of materials – over head charge including establishment - incidental, lead and lift - exercises. Methods of preparing abstract estimate-exercises.

Detailed and abstract estimate preparation for building with gabled roof, building with hipped roof, building with valley, two storied building (residential and office) Septic Tank and soak pit and steel roof truss. Detailed and abstract estimate of Slab Culvert. Pipe culvert. Single span T-beam bridge, Pier of a bridge, Detailed Estimate of an RCC well and RCC retaining wall.

Detailed Estimate of RCC beam, slab, Column, etc and preparation of bar bending schedule.

Detailed Estimate of Aqueduct.

Detailed specifications for various items of work of Earth work excavation. Foundation concrete, Masonry work, D P C. Form work. R C C , Plastering, Pointing, Flooring, Painting and Polishing, I RC Specifications for WBM road. Preparation of Plan, Estimate and other documents for submission.

Definition of Valuation, meaning, purpose-Factors governing valuation-Life of structure-type , location- Maintenance -legal control.

Scrap value-salvage value-market value-book value-sinking fund annuity and depreciation. Methods of valuation-Rental method-direct comparison with cost-Based on profit-Development method of valuation- depreciation method. Calculation of depreciation by different methods. Land valuation-Problems.

## **MODULE III - IRRIGATION, FLUID MECHANICS AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING**

### **IRRIGATION**

**Nature and Scope of Irrigation Engineering:** Definitions - necessity of irrigation - advantages and disadvantages - perennial and Inundation irrigation - flow and lift irrigation - direct and storage irrigation. **Water requirement of crop:** Principle Crops - Kharif and Rabi Crops in India & Kerala - Dry and wet crops - Crop period. Duty - different methods of expressing duty - base period -- relationship between duty and

delta -Factors affecting duty -- requirements for precise statement of duty - duty figures for principal crops - Simple problems on duty.

**Hydrology:** a) Rainfall - Types of rain gauges - precautions in setting and maintaining rainfall records rainfall cycle average annual rainfall of an area -Methods of estimating average rainfall over a catchment – Thiessen's polygon method.

b) Catchment basin and catchment area - free catchment, intercepted catchment -runoff-factors affecting runoff- nature of catchment, runoff coefficient methods of estimating runoff - empirical formulae.

c) River gauging - importance - site selection - open gauge well - measurement of velocity by surface floats, velocity rods and current meter.

d) Maximum flood discharge from rainfall records Ryve's and Dicken's formulae, H.F.L, marks, Gauge reading.

**Head works:** a) Classification of head works - storage and diversion head works -their suitability under different conditions- suitable site for diversion works - general layout of diversion works- brief description of component parts of a weir.

b) Barrage and weirs

c) Head Regulator - scouring sluice - flood banks and other protective works

d) Percolation - percolation gradient - up lift pressure, effect of percolation on irrigation works, up lift pressure and exit velocity - scour - protective works solid and loose aprons.

Dams - types - selection of site - site investigations - capacity of reservoirs from contours - dead storage -live storage. Evaporation - Evaporation losses in reservoirs. Rigid and non-rigid dams - main types - gravity dams - failure of gravity dams and remedial measures - elementary profile - limiting height of dam - low dam and high dam - free board and top width - practical profiles of low dam — drainage gallery -spill ways. Earth dams - situations suitable for earth dams - types of earth dams -causes of failure of earth dams and precautions - saturation gradient and phreatic line - drainage arrangements.

Tank sluices - tower head type - regulating arrangements. Tank surplus works - necessity - suitable site - flush escapes - weirs.

**Distribution works:** a) Canals - classification - typical cross section of canal in cutting, embankment, partial cutting and embankment - berms - standard dimensions -- balancing depth of cutting- canal lining - types - maintenance of canals.

b) Canal regulation - sluice - drops - escapes

c) Cross drainage works - necessity - general description of aqueducts - super passage, under tunnel - siphon- level crossing - inlet and outlet.

d) Soil erosion methods of prevention of soil erosion.

**Methods of irrigation:** Border irrigation - check- basin irrigation - furrow irrigation - sprinkler irrigation - drip irrigation.

## Fluid Mechanics

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**Introduction to Fluid Mechanics:** Scope of hydraulics in engineering - definition of density, specific volume, specific gravity, viscosity, kinematics & dynamic viscosity, compressibility, vapour pressure, cohesion, adhesion, surface tension and capillarity. Intensity of pressure at a point - pressure head - units of pressure - Pascal's law - Atmospheric pressure - Gauge pressure - Absolute pressure - vacuum pressure - problems - Measurements of atmospheric pressure - simple mercury barometers - pressure measuring devices - piezometer tubes, manometers - U-tube - simple differential and inverted tubes only - Mechanical Gauge - Bourdon tube pressure gauge. Pressure on plane surfaces immersed in liquid. Total pressure and center of pressure on horizontal, vertical and inclined surfaces immersed in liquids. Pressure on lock, gates, sluice gate - problems.

**Flow of Fluid:** Types of flow - uniform, non uniform,  $dv/dt = 0$ ,  $dv/dt \neq 0$ , streamline turbulent, steady, unsteady flow, compressible & incompressible flow - Definitions and mathematical expression,  $dv/dt = 0$ ,  $dv/dt \neq 0$ ,  $dv/ds = 0$ ,  $dv/ds \neq 0$ . Equation of continuity of flow - Problems. Types of energy head - static, pressure and velocity energy head - total energy of flowing liquid. Expressions for energy head & height liquid column. Bernoulli's theorem statement and proof (Only 2-dimensional) - problems - Assumptions & limitations - application - venturi meter, orifice meter and pitot tube - problems.

**Flow through Orifices & Mouth pieces:** Definition of orifice, types of orifices - (based size, shape flow condition) - definition of vena contracta - hydraulic coefficients -  $C_v$ ,  $C_c$ ,  $C_d$  - experimental determination - problems. Submerged and partially submerged orifices. Large rectangular orifice - expression for discharge - derivation. Time for emptying a prismatic tank through an orifice at bottom or in the side - head loss due to sudden enlargement and sudden contraction at the entrance of pipe from large vessel, at the exit of a pipe line, obstruction in a pipe line derivation of expression for head loss due to enlargement & contraction - problems. Mouth piece - different types external and internal - cylindrical - formula discharge through them and problems.

**Pumps:** Centrifugal pumps, reciprocating pumps - working principle - description of propeller pumps, jet and air lift pumps, deep well pumps, Diaphragm pumps - description and application. **Turbines:** Classification - Impulse and reaction turbines - Pelton Wheel - description and working. Description of reaction turbines - Francis and Kaplan turbines - Draft tube - purpose .

**Notches:** Definition types of notches - rectangular, triangular and trapezoidal notches. Discharge over rectangular, triangular and trapezoidal notches. Derivations of expressions and problems Advantages of triangular notches.

**Weirs:** Classifications - definition - discharge over rectangular weir, end contraction in weir effect of end contraction over discharge - Francis formula and Bazin's formula for end contraction - problems - velocity of approach - problems broad crested weir - problems submerged weir description and problems.

**Hydro-electric Installation:** Layout - intake works, pressure tunnel, pens lock, surge tank, action of surge tank anchor blocks and tailrace. Flow through Pipes Frictional loss in pipes Chezy's and Darcy's formulae - Derivation and problems Hydraulic gradient and total energy line-Water hammer and its effect Syphon - problems.

Flow through Channels Wetted perimeter Hydraulic mean depth- uniform and non-uniform flow Chezy's formula - derivations / and problems. Kutter's, Manning's and Basin's formula Most economical section of channel - condition for rectangular and trapezoidal — derivation- problems.

## **WATER SUPPLY ENGINEERING**

**General:** Importance of water supply-Development of water supply-Different systems of water supply-Need for protect water supply-Estimating water requirement:- Total quantity of water for a town, per capita demand and factors affecting demand- Water requirements for domestic purposes, industrial use, fire fighting, commercial and industrial needs, public use- Variation in demand - Peak demand during day, month and year- Fore casting population by arithmetical, geometrical and incremental increase method (problems)

Sources of Water:-Surface source - lakes, streams, rivers and impounded reservoirs. Yield from surface source-Underground sources springs, wells, infiltration wells and galleries-Yield from wells - test for yield. Conveyance of water:-Types of Intakes-Reservoir intake-River intake-Canal intake.

Conveyance of water: open channels, aqueduct pipes- List of pipe materials - C.I. pipes, steel pipes, concrete pipes, A.C. pipes, G.I. pipes, plastic and P.V.C. pipes, high density polythene pipes, merits and demerits of each type (brief description only). Pipe joints - spigot and socket joint, flange joint, expansion joint for C.I. pipe, joints for concrete and asbestos cement pipe- methods of leak detection - prevention - rectification- Pipe corrosion - causes and prevention.

**Purification of Water:** Quality of Water:- Impurities of water need for laboratory test. Sampling and Testing of water - physical, chemical, and bacteriological tests -Various standards of water such as pH value, colour, taste, hardness, odour - for potable water.

Flow diagram of different treatment units for both surface and ground sources reservoir/ pond and well Aeration - methods of aeration- Sedimentation - plain sedimentation and sedimentation by coagulation-Filtration -construction and operation of slow sand, rapid sand and pressure filters-Disinfections of water - necessity and method, chlorination, pre-chlorination. break point chlorination, super chlorination Removal of Taste, colour, odour and hardness.

**Distribution system:** General requirements, system of distribution, gravity system, combined system, direct pumping- Methods of supply - intermitted and continuous advantages & disadvantages.

Layout of distribution system -Types - dead end, grid, radial and ring system their merits and demerits and their suitability.

**Appurtenances in Distribution system:** Uses of Sluice valves, Check valves or reflux valves, Air valves, Drain valves or blow-off valves, Scour valves, Fire hydrants and Water meters.

**Water supply arrangements in Building.** Definition of terms- water main, service pipe, communication pipe, supply pipe, distribution pipe, air gap- General layout of water supply arrangements for single and multi-storeyed building as per I.S. Code of practice general principles and precautions in laying pipe line within the premises of building- Connection from water main to building.

## **SANITARY ENGINEERING**

Objects of providing sewerage works - Definition of terms - sewage, sewerage, sewer, refuse, garbage, sullage etc- Systems of sewage disposal - conservancy and water carriage systems- Types of sewerage systems and their suitability - separate, combined and partially separate- Quantity of Sewage- Quantity of discharge in sewers, dry weather flow, variability of flow, limiting velocities of sewers- Use of nomograms I.S. 1742. -Determination of storm water flow - run-off coefficient – time of concentration, empirical formulae for run-off- Surface drainages - requirements, shapes.

Different shapes of cross section for sewers - rectangular, circular, egg shaped - merits and demerits of each. Brief description and choice of types of sewers - stone ware, cast iron, cement concrete, pre cast sewers, AC pipe.

Sewer appurtenances: location, function and construction of Man holes. Drop man holes. Catch basins, Flush tanks and Inverted siphon.

Necessity of pumping sewage - location and component parts of pumping station

Sewage characteristics:- Strength of sewage, sampling of sewage, characteristics of sewage - physical, chemical and biological - significance of the following tests for - Solids, Oxygen demand, BOD. COD. pH-value, Chlorides.

**Sewage Treatment and Disposal:** Preliminary treatment - brief description and functions of Screens, Skimming tanks and Grit chambers. Primary treatment - brief description and functions of plain sedimentation.

Secondary treatment - brief description of Trickling filters, Activated sludge process, Secondary clarifier and Sludge digestion, drying, disposal

Miscellaneous treatment - septic tank -Imhoff tank

Calculation of dimension of a septic tank from a given data.

Sewage disposal - dilution, disposal on lands, oxidation ponds, oxidation ditch, aerated lagoons, an aerobic lagoons.

Solid waste disposal- Methods of disposal uncontrolled dumping, sanitary landfill, incineration and composting. Drainage and Sanitation in Buildings Sanitary fittings - traps, water closets, flushing cisterns, urinals, inspection chambers, anti syphonage pipe.

Rural sanitation and sanitary latrines, brief description of operational details of bio-gas plants using cow dung, night soil and agricultural wastes

## **MODULE IV - TRANSPORTATION & GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING**

### **TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING**

**Road Engineering:** Importance of roads, IRC classification of road,. Classification of urban roads

**Investigation for Road project:** Different types of road surveys - fixing the alignment of road - factors affecting alignment - Drawings required for road project - key map, Index map, preliminary and detailed location survey plan Longitudinal and cross section

**Geometric Design of Highways:** Road structure - subsoil, sub grade, foundation course - base and wearing course highway width for different classification of road -kerbs, road margin, road formation, right of way - camber-purpose and types - super elevation - definition, formula, minimum and maximum values, sight distance --different types -gradient - different types- Curves – necessity, types – horizontal, vertical and transition -widening of roads on curves. Road drainage - surface drainage and subsurface drainage. Typical cross sections of a national highway in cutting and embankment.

**Highway Construction:** Pavement - objectives, structure, function, types. Earthen Roads - borrow pits, spoil bank, lead and lift, balancing of earth work, construction procedure - Water bound macadam roads - materials used - consistent parts -construction -maintenance Bituminous roads - bitumen, asphalt, emulsion, cut back, tar, common grades for construction- Types of bituminous surface - prime coat, tack coat, seal coat. Construction and maintenance of Surface dressing - Grouted macadam - Premixed macadam - asphalt concrete - bituminous carpet with pre-coated chips. Hill Roads - Parts and functions - types of curves - drainage structures.

**Traffic Engineering:** Traffic volume study - traffic control devices - road signs -signals - traffic islands. Road intersections at grade — grade separators trumpet and cloverleaf patterns.

**Introduction to Rail way:** Importance of railways - classification of railways based on gauges.

**Permanent way:** Component parts of permanent way.- types of Rails - Rail joints types - requirements of good joint, fixtures and fastening - simple type of fish plates, coning of wheel, adzing of sleepers, sleepers - definition - materials used. Ballast - function - materials used. Cross section of a BG single and double line in cutting and embankment.

**Laying and Maintenance:** Plate laying - definition, methods

**Points and Crossings:** Points, crossings, turn out, diamond crossing.

**Station yards:** Station yard - marshalling yard - goods yard - shunting yard - loco yard.

**Signaling and Interlocking:** Objectives of signaling, signals types only – modern signaling methods -multiple aspect signaling system – two, three, four aspect system - drooping signals principles of interlocking.

**Introduction Bridge:** Surveys, plans and documents for bridge project - IRC classification of bridges. Selection of site - Alignment of bridge - economical span - determination of water way - afflux and vertical clearance - permissible velocities - scour depth, depth of foundation.

**Sub Structure:** Different types of piers - abutments (different types) - different types of wing walls - different types of approaches.

**Super Structure:** Descriptive study of different types of bridges - deck, through and semi through bridges -RCC beam bridges - plate girder bridges steel trussed bridges - arch and bow string girder.

**Tunnel Engineering:** Necessity of tunnels - typical section of tunnels for a national highway and a single and double broad gauge railway track

**Air port Engineering:** Classification of airport - layout of an airport and locational requirements - airport components -Runway, aprons and taxi way - pattern and layout of runways -selection of site for airport.

**Docks and Harbours:** Requirement and classification - break waters - types, uses - docks

## **GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING**

**Introduction:** Nature of soil and fundamental relationship-Introduction of Soil mechanics - soil

Engineering - Scope of soil Engineering - History of development of soil mechanics

- Soil types - residual and transported - Soil as a three phase system - water content -unit weight of soil mass - bulk unit weight, dry unit weight, unit weight of solids, saturated unit weight, submerged unit weights - specific gravity -void ratio – porosity - degree of saturation - percentage air voids -Air content - density index - functional relationships - problems. Determination of index properties - water content by oven drying method - specific gravity using pycnometer and specific gravity bottle -particle size distribution - sieve analysis, hydrometer method - particle size distribution curve -- consistency of soils -liquid limit, plastic limit, shrinkage limit, plasticity index, consistency index -determination of liquid limits, plastic limit & shrinkage limit - shrinkage ratio - field density by sand replacement method

and the core cutter method, classification of soils Necessity -- I.S. classification.

Soil water -- classification - absorbed water - capillary water - stress condition in soil- Effective and neutral pressures- problems.

Permeability of soil - Darcy's law - discharge velocity and seepage velocity - factors affecting permeability - Determination of coefficient of permeability - constant head permeability test - falling head permeability test- problems.

Compaction of soil- Definition and objectives of compaction - Standard Proctor test and modified proctor test - concept of OMC and maximum dry density -- Zero air voids line - field compaction methods - factors affecting compaction.

Shear resistance of soil-direct shear test- CU,UU,CV test-consolidation-theory of consolidation, square root time fitting method, logarithmic time fitting method. Stability of slopes, problems

Site Investigation and sub-soil exploration - Objectives - site reconnaissance - site exploration - depth of exploration - number and disposition of pits and boring --general exploration - detailed exploration - methods of site exploration - open excavations - boring methods - auger boring - auger and shell boring - wash boring - percussion boring rotary boring - soil samples and samplers - disturbed sampling undisturbed sampling Standard Penetration Test Geophysical.

Bearing capacity: ultimate bearing capacity, safe bearing capacity and allowable bearing pressure - general and local shear failure – Terzaghi's theory of bearing capacity - effect of water table - plate load test limitations.

Foundations: different types of foundations - proportioning of foundations - rectangular and trapezoidal combined footings - strap footing - Raft foundation.

Deep foundations - Pile foundation - necessity of pile foundation - classification of piles according to materials, mode of transfer of loads, method of installation, use and displacement of soil. Well foundations - shapes of wells and component parts – well sinking - tilts and shifts - measures for rectification of tilts and shifts.

## **MODULE - V ANALYSIS AND DESIGN OF STRUCTURES**

**Forces and Moments:** Definition of force -Conditions of Equilibrium of forces -Resolution of forces – Principles of resolution - Resultant of a number of coplanar forces acting at a point. Moment of force types of moments - principle of moments - Determination of Reactions of simply supported beams and overhanging beams with point loads and uniformly Distributed loads.

**Centre of Gravity:** Definition of center of gravity (C.G) - C.G. of plane in the same straight line and those distributed Over a plane - Centroid of plane figures - C.G. of solids. Determination of centroid of compound areas and reminders - C.G.of combination of simple solids.

**Moment of inertia:** Definition of rectangular moment of inertia and polar moment of inertia - radius of gyration parallel axis theorem and perpendicular axis theorem MI of simple sections, rectangle, triangle, circle. M.I. of composite areas and remainders.

**Friction:** Static, dynamic and limiting friction - Laws of friction - Angle of friction - coefficient of friction angle of repose. Equilibrium of a body on inclined rough surface.

**Simple stresses and strains:** Stress and strain - types of stresses - Elasticity -Hook's law - Young's modulus - stresses and strains in uniform sections of same and composite materials Mechanical properties of materials - Elasticity, stiffness, plasticity, toughness, brittleness. ductility, Malleability and hardness - Tensile test on ductile material (mild steel bar) and stress strain curve - Compression test on brittle material (cement concrete) and stress strain curve - limit of Proportionality, elastic limit, yield point - ultimate stress - breaking stress - working stress and factor of safety.

**Temperature stresses:** Elongation and contraction due to temperature change -temperature stress when deformation is fully or partially prevented - temperature stress in composite sections.

Linear strain and lateral strain - Poisson's ratio- volumetric strain — Bulk modulus modulus of rigidity - relationship between Elastic constants - simple problems.

**Strain energy:** Resilience- proof resilience - modulus of resilience - stress and strain when load is applied gradually, suddenly and with impact.

**Torsion of circular shafts:** Theory of pure torsion – derivation of formula problems. Power transmitted by circular shafts - problems.

**Beams and bending:** Classification of beams - cantilever, simply supported, fixed, overhanging and continuous.

Types of loading - concentrated, uniformly distributed and uniformly varying load. Shear force and bending moment; Definition and sign conventions. Calculation of SF and BM for Cantilever, simply supported and overhanging beams and sketching of SF and BM diagrams Relation between SF and BM. Maximum BM - point of contra flexure

**Thin cylinders:** Failure of thin cylindrical shell due to internal pressure - circumferential and longitudinal stresses - Changes in dimension and volume of thin cylinders due to internal pressure.

**Columns and Struts:** Strut, column -- failure of strut, short and long columns – types of end conditions. Euler's formula for columns of different end conditions - Slenderness ratio - limitations of Euler's formula - applications.

Derivation of Rankine's formulae from Euler's formulae - Rankine's constant for different materials- applications.

**Analysis of Trusses:** Analysis of truss, determine the magnitude and type of forces in various members of the truss due to loading, using methods of joints-simple problems. Introduction to method of sections. Introduction to method of resolution of forces by graphical method-Graphical representation of Vectors-bow's notation

**Theory of simple Bending:** Theory of simple bending. Explain the terms 'Neutral axis', 'moment of resistance' and 'section modulus', Apply the theory of simple bending to simple and compound sections to calculate stress, section modulus and moment of resistance. Calculate shear stress distribution in rectangular and I-Sections.

**Direct and Bending Stresses:** Eccentric loading of symmetrical columns –maximum and minimum stress. Limit of eccentricity.

**Dams and Retaining walls:** Trapezoidal dam with vertical water face - forces acting, intensity of pressure at base, conditions of Stability, minimum base width. Retaining wall - Rankine's formulae for earth pressure - conditions of stability – minimum base width.

**Fixed Beams:** Fixed beams - advantages, method of finding fixing moments  
BM and SE diagrams for fixed beams under point load and U.D. loads

**Deflection of Beams:** Strength and stiffness of beam - curvature, slope and deflection - derivation of the differential Equation. Double integration method (Macaulay's method) of slope and deflection of - cantilever with point load, cantilever with U.D. load, simply supported beam with point load. S.S. Beam with U.D. load - Problems in cantilever and simply supported beams with combinations of point and U.D, load. Calculation of fixed beam with central point load; fixed beam with UD load over whole span using double integration method.

Moment area method for slope and deflection of beams - Mohr's theorems - application of the Method to problems in cantilever beams with point load, U.D. load; and combinations of point and UD. Load.

Application of the Method to problems in simply supported beam with point load, UD.Load; and combinations of point and UD. Load. [symmetrical load Only]

**Continuous Beams:** Continuous beams - statement of the theorem of three moments - BM and SF diagrams for simple. Concentrated and U.D loads.

Cani's method, slope deflection method, flexibility matrix method, stiffness matrix method. Hardy cross methods of moment distribution - stiffness factor - carry over moment - distribution factor - application to continuous beams and simple portal frames - sketching the SFD and BMD

## **DESIGN OF STRUCTURES**

Based on IS Codes eg: IS 456-2000, and SP 16, IS 800-2007, IS 875, IS 801- 1975 and Steel Tables.

**Design of RCC Structures:** Properties of materials of RCC as per the latest IS codes-materials for concrete-Grading of aggregate, proportioning and mixing of concrete, bulking of sand, water cement ratio and placing and Compaction of concrete and removal of forms-Grades of concrete and their strength- types of steel used in RCC-the Permissible stresses in concrete and steel. The concept of Limit State Partial Safety factors in Limit State method of Design, values of Partial safety factors with reference to latest I S Codes. Principles of Limit State Design, Characteristic load & characteristic strength, stress-strain curve of Concrete and steel, assumptions made in the Limit State method of Design, Neutral Axis Depth, Limiting value of NA, Design a simply supported beam and Cantilever beams for different loading conditions for flexure, Design doubly Reinforced Rectangular beams under different loading conditions. Design of lintels under different loading conditions. Design of flanged beams under different loading conditions.

Check for stiffness as per IS code, Basic I/d ratio. Modification factor, reduction factor for flanged beams, Check the deflection of singly reinforced, doubly reinforced and flanged beams, the shear and torsional behavior in RCC members, Nominal shear stress, maximum shear stress in concrete, permissible shear stress in concrete, Design beams under different loading Conditions for shear, bond and anchorage, calculation of development length, Check for curtailment of bars in beams, Code provisions for lap length. Study the behavior of slabs, Design of one way slabs simply supported, Continuous, cantilever and sunshade. Design of Two way slab, simply supported, restrained and different end condition. Design of staircases under different loading and end conditions. Theory on design of columns, behaviour of short and long columns, Slenderness limit for columns as per IS code, Design the short column for direct load. Design the column for uniaxial bending using SP16, Study of slender columns, Theory of Column footing, Design of isolated column footing (SP 16). Introduction on combined footing.

## **PART II – ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS**

- I. Matrices - Identification of Matrices, matrix operations, adjoint and inverse.
- II. Determinants - Evaluation of second and third order, minors and cofactors, solutions of simultaneous linear equation in three unknown using Cramer's rule.

III. Binomial Series Expansions using Binomial theorem.

IV. Trigonometric functions - Signs of functions in each quadrant. Trigonometric values of angles, properties of trigonometric functions, applications of the identities  $\sin(A \pm B)$ ,  $\cos(A \pm B)$ , and  $\tan(A \pm B)$ .

V. Coordinate geometry - Equations to a straight line – slope - intercept form, intercept form; Angle between two lines, condition for two lines to be perpendicular, parallel.

VI. Differentiation - Limits and continuity, derivatives of functions, equation to tangents and normals. Maxima and minima of functions of one variable.

VII. Integration of functions - Integration of different types of functions.

VIII. Applications of integration - Area bounded by a curve and X or Y axis, solutions of differential equations using the method of variable separable solutions of linear differential equations of first order.

### **PART III – QUESTIONS BASED ON BASIC SCIENCE (PHYSICS & CHEMISTRY)**

Questions based on Physics and Chemistry (Diploma level)

### **PART IV – GENERAL KNOWLEDGE, CURRENT AFFAIRS & RENAISSANCE IN KERALA**

Geography of India- Physical Features- Climate-Soils- Rivers- Famous Sites – Etc. –

Demography- Economic and Social Development-Poverty Alleviation-Economy and Planning-Etc. – History of India- Period from 1857 to 1947- National Movement- Etc.

Important World, National and Regional Events related to the Political and Scientific fields, Sports, Cinema and Literature etc.

#### **Facts about Kerala**

Geographical Facts-Physical Features- Climate-Soils- Rivers-Famous Sites– Etc

## **Renaissance in Kerala**

### **Important Events/ Movements/Leaders**

Brahmananda Swami Sivayogi, Chattampi Swami, Sree Narayana Guru, Vagbhatananda, Thycaud Ayya, Ayya Vaikundar, Poikayil Yohannan (Kumara Guru), Ayyankali, Pandit Karuppan, Mannathu Padmanabhan, V.T.Bhattathirippad, Dr. Palpu, Kumaranasan, Vakkom Moulavi, Blessed Kuriakose Elias Chavara, Etc

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