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# SIXTH SEMESTER B.TECH. (ENGINEERING) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2017

CE 14 605-GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING II

**Time : Three Hours** 

Maximum : 100 Marks

## Part A

#### Answer any eight questions.

- 1. Draw the contact pressure distribution beneath the flexible and rigid footings for sand and clay.
- 2. Sketch the types of augers used in soil exploration.
- 3. What are the requirements of selection of various types of foundation ?
- 4. Mention the types of shear failures of soil with neat sketch.
- 5. What are the causes of settlement?
- 6. How does stress distributions takes place in sheeting and bracing of shallow excavations.
- 7. Write down the salient features of a good sub-soil investigation report.
- 8. Brief about the concept of floating foundation.
- 9. What are the various factors influencing the selection of pile?
- 10. What are the various kinds of forces likely to act on a well foundation ?

 $(8 \times 5 = 40 \text{ marks})$ 

## Part B

#### Answer all questions.

11. (a) What are the basic assumptions in Boussinesq's theory of stress distribution in soils ? Explain the vertical stress distribution on a horizontal plane as well as on a vertical plane.

Or

- (b) Describe the Standard Penetration Test used in soil exploration. Explain the various corrections to be applied to the observed value of N.
- 12. (a) Distinguish between Shallow and Deep foundation. Explain the types of foundation.

Or

(b) Derive Terzaghi's bearing capacity equation of strip footing.



13. (a) A saturated soil has a compression index of 0.25. Its void ratio at a stress of 10 kN/m<sup>2</sup> is 2.02 and its permeability is 3.4 × 10<sup>-7</sup> mm/s. Compute (i) Change in void ratio if the stress is increased to 19 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; (ii) Settlement if the soil stratum is 5 m thick and (iii) Time required for 40% consolidation if drainage is one-way.

#### Or

- (b) When is a trapezoidal combined footing preferred to rectangular combined footing? Explain how they are proportioned.
- 14. (a) Explain the conventional rigid approach method of design of a raft foundation.

## Or

(b) A square group of 9 piles was driven into soft clay extending to a large depth. The diameter and length of the piles were 30 cm and 9 m respectively. If the unconfined compression strength of the clay is 90 kN/m<sup>2</sup> and the pile spacing is 90 cm centre to centre, what is the capacity of the group ? Assume a factor of safety of 2.5 and adhesion factor of 0.75.

 $(4 \times 15 = 60 \text{ marks})$