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- 1) The answers should be examined by key words and not as word-to-word as given in the model answer scheme.
- 2) The model answer and the answer written by candidate may vary but the examiner may try to assess the understanding level of the candidate.
- 3) The language errors such as grammatical, spelling errors should not be given more importance. (Not applicable for subject English and Communication Skills.)
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Q.1	(a)	Attempt any <u>SIX of the following:</u>		(12M)
	i) Ans.	State any Four importance of Geology.		
	A115.	1. It is used to study different properties of rocks.		
		2. For any heavy construction project study of geology is required.		
		3. Geology provides a systematic knowledge of construction		
		materials, their structure and properties.	1/2	
		4. The knowledge of erosion, transportation and deposition	mark	
		of surface water helps in soil conservation, river control,	each	2M
		coastal and harbor works.	(any	
		5. The knowledge about the nature of the rocks is very	four)	
		necessary in tunneling, constructing roads and in		
		determining the stability of cuts and slopes.		
		6. The foundation problems of dams, bridges and buildings		
		are directly related with geology of the area where they are		
		to be built.		



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Q.1	(a) ii) Ans.	 Define dip and folds. Dip – It is the inclination of bedding plane of rock with horizontal is called as Dip. Fold – It is the bends or curvatures in rock formed due to action of compressive forces on horizontal layers called as fold. 	1M 1M	2M
	iii) Ans.	 Define focus and epicenter Focus- The place or point of origin of an earth quake below ground surface is termed as focus or hypocenter of earthquake. Epicentre –The place or point on ground surface , where seismic waves reaches firstly causing major damage is known as epicenter. 	1M 1M	2M
	iv) Ans.	 State any four importance of soil in civil engineering. 1. Soil is more suitable in embankment fills and retaining pond beds after their construction. 2. Soil is also suitable for foundation but require compactions as without compaction structure may collapse. 3. Soil provides the moderate support for all types of foundations. 4. Improper study of soil may lead to failure of structure. 5. For plinth filling soil can be used as a construction material. 6. Soil cement mixture can be used for sub grades. 7. Pervious and impervious soil can be used in earthen dams. 8. For Water bound macadam roads soil is used as a binder material. 	¹ /2 mark each (any four)	2M
	v) Ans.	 Define voids ratio and porosity. Voids ratio – It is the ratio of volume of voids to volume of solids called as voids ratio. Porosity- It is the ratio of volume of voids to the total volume of soil, measured in percentage is called as porosity 	1M 1M	2M



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2.1	(a)			
	vi)	Define permeability and Phreatic Line.		
	Ans.	<u>Permeability</u> "It is defined as the properly of soli which permits the seepage of fluid through interconnecting voids under gravity	1M	2M
		<u>Phreatic Line:</u> The topmost seepage line in an earthen dam at which hydrostatic pressure is zero, is called as Phreatic line.	1M	
	vii) Ans.	Define safe bearing capacity and allowable bearing pressure.Safe bearing capacity (q_s) :It is the maximum pressure which the soilcan carry without risk of shear failure is called as safe bearingcapacity.OR	1M	
		Sometimes the safe bearing capacity is also referred to as the ultimate bearing capacity q_u divided by factor of safety. $q_u = q_s / FOS$		2M
		Allowable bearing pressure: The net loading intensity at which neither the soil fails in shear nor there is excessive settlement of structure, is called as Allowable bearing pressure.	1M	
	viii) Ans.	 State any two purpose of compaction. <u>Purpose of compaction</u> 1. To increase density and thereby shear strength and bearing capacity of soil, this is required in case of slope stability improvement. 2. To decrease the permeability of soil, this is required for earth dam 3. To reduce settlement of structure after the construction. 4. To reduce danger of piping, this is required for seepage control of earth dam. 5. To increase resistance towards erosion of soil by rain and other causes. 	1 Mark each (any two)	2M



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Q.1	(b)	Attempt any <u>TWO</u> of the following:		(8M)
	(i)	State physical properties of minerals depending on light and state		
		of aggregates.	1/2	
	Ans.	Properties of minerals depending on light:	mark	
		i) Luster	each	
		ii) Streak		
		iii) Transparency		
		iv) Fluorescence		4 M
		Properties of minerals depending on State of aggregates:		4 1 V 1
		i) Colour	1/2	
		ii) Hardness	mark	
		iii) Cleavage	each	
		iv) Fracture	(any	
		v) Tenacity	Four)	
		vi) Structure (form)		
		vii) Specific gravity		
	(ii)	List types of joints with sketches.		
	Ans.	Types of joints are-		
		1. Strike Joint		
		2. Dip Joint		
		3. Oblique Joint	1	
		4. Tension Joint	mark	
		5. Shear Joint	each	4 M
			(any	
		a - Strike joint b- Dip joint	four)	
		6 b C-Oblique joint		
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		S-Shear joint		
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Q.1	(iii)	List any four field applications of Geotechnical Engineering.		WILLING
	Ans.	Field applications of Geo Tech Engineering are as follows:		
		1. Design of foundation for various structures.	1	
		2. Design of pavement for various roads.	mark	
		3. Design of earth retaining structures i.e. retaining wall, sheet pile.	each	4 M
		4. Design of water retaining structures i.e. Dam, weir etc.	(any	
		5. Design of abutments of bridge.	four)	
		6. Design of underground structures i.e. Pipeline, tunnels etc.		
Q.2		Attempt any <u>FOUR</u> of the following:		(16M)
-	(a)	Explain classification of rock based on mode of origin(genesis).		
	Ans.	Classification of rock based on mode of origin(genesis)		
		1.Igneous Rock		
		Igneous rocks are of volcanic origin and are formed as a result of		
		solidification of molten mass lying below or above the earth's surface		
		.The inner layer of the earth are at a high temperature causing the		
		masses of silicates to melt. This molten mass called magma is forced		
		up as volcanic eruption and spreads over the surface of the earth		
		where it solidifies forming basalt and trap. If the magma solidifies		
		below the surface of earth the solid crystalline rock is formed.		
		2.Sedimentary Rock		
		Sedimentary rocks are formed by the deposition and consolidation of		
		new sediments in layers over the preexisting rocks. The new		
		sediments are infact ,eroded away from some old rocks by weathering	4M	4M
		and are then transported by agents like wind ,water ,ice etc. These		
		eroded sediments after travelling some distance may get deposited		
		over some existing rocks which on consolidation will result in the		
		formation of what are known as sedimentary rocks.		
		3.Metamorphic Rock		
		Metamorphic rocks are formed from igneous or sedimentary rocks as		
		a result of the action of the earth movements, temperature changes and		
		liquid pressure.		
	(b)	Define fault and list its types.		
	Ans.	Fault: It is defined as the rupture / fracture along which there is a		
		relative movement of beds. The movement may vary from few	2M	
		centimeters to many km. depending upon nature and magnitude of		
		stresses and resistance offered by rock.		
		Types of fault :		
		1) Based on position of fault plane.		
		(a) Normal Fault		
		(b) Reverse Fault		



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Q.2	(b)	a) Gravi b) Thrus c) Strike	st fault e / slip fault and Graben ault ng fault ult				¹ / ₂ mark each (any four)	4M
	(c) Ans.		lient features of earth features of earthen d			ny two).	2 Mark each	
		Sr.No	Features		Name of the Da	1		
		1	D'	Panshet	Chaskaman	Urmodi		
		1	River	Ambi	Bhima	Urmodi	4	
		2	Nearest City Height above	Velhe 63.56	Khed 46.28	Satara 32.00		
		5	lowest foundation (m)	03.30	40.28	52.00		
		4	Length of dam(m)	1039	1045	1575		4 M
		5	Volume content of $dam(10^3 m^3)$	4190	2903	1283	each (any two)	
		6	Gross storage capacity (10^3 m^3)	303000	318.17	82.94		
		7	Reservoir area (10^3 m^3)	15645	18218	26		
		8	Effective storage capacity (10^3 m^3)	294000	210.99	76.72		
		9	Purpose	Irrigation & water	Irrigation & power	Irrigation		
				supply	generation			



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,	ue. d)	Explain with sketch soil as a three phase system.		IVIAIKS
	ns.	Air Water Soil Solids	2M	4 M
		3 phase diagram of soil		
		As natural soil contains solid soil particles and water and air present in its voids such complex nature of soil sample is difficult to analyze its physical properties hence it is simplify and presented in its equivalent 3 phase diagram as shown in fig. Depending upon three phase diagram of soil its is classified in three categories- 1. Dry soil 2. Partially saturated soil 3. Fully saturated soil. However if we take a dry soil mass, the voids are filled with air only. In case of perfectly saturated soil the voids are filled completely with water. In case of partially saturated soil, both air and water are present in the voids.	2M	
(e)	Explain practical procedure of determining water content by oven		
	ns.	drying method.		
		 Procedure for determination of water content of soil by oven drying method- 1. Take container with lid, measure the empty weight of container with lid as W₁ gm. 2. Put sufficient quantity of moist soil sample in the container and take the weight of container, lid and moist soil as W₂ gm. 3. Keep this assembly in the thermostat oven at a temperature 105^oc to110^oc for 24 hrs. with lid at bottom; so that water should be evaporated completely to give us dry soil . 4. Take out container from oven and cool it in dessicator .Then take weight of container, lid and dry soil as W₃ gm. 5.Calculate the percentage water content of given soil as-W = (W₂-W₃)/(W₃-W₁) x 100 	4 M	4M



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Q.2	(f) Ans.	 List assumptions made by Terzaghi's analysis for soils bearing capacity. Assumptions of Terzaghi's bearing capacity theory: Soil behaves like ideally plastic material. Soil is homogeneous, isotropic and its shear strength is represented by coloumbs equation. The total load on footing is vertical and uniformly distributed. The footing is long enough with L/B = ∞. The shear strength above base of footing is neglected and taken as uniform surcharge γ Df. The elastic zones developed has straight boundaries inclined at ψ = φ. 	1 mark each (any four)	4M
Q.3	(a) Ans.	 Attempt any <u>FOUR</u> of the following: State Information and classification of soils. Soil – The hard parenting rock undergoes weathering and produces unconsolidated granular particles of varying sizes , such formation is known as Soil. <u>Classification of soil</u>- The soil is classified using most simplest geological classification. In this soil is classified in two categories- 1. Residual soil – The soils which are resting on its parent rock without ant transportation, is termed as residual soils. These soils does not have any stratification, but it shows well distinguished soil profile. Example. Red soil, Black soil 2. Transported soils-The soils which are transported and get 	1M 1½ M	(16M) 4M
		deposited in depressions on ground, is known as transported soils. Due to high velocity winds or water flow, loose soil particles transported along with organic and inorganic impurities. finally deposition of soil gives variety of transported soils. Example. Colluvial soils , Alluvial soils, Glacial soils, Eolian soils.	1½ M	



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Q.3	b)	State method of construction of earth quake resisting structure.		
	Ans.	In addition to safety factor, some general precaution has to be		
		followed to minimize the danger of collapse / failure of bldg.		
		a)The foundation :		
		i) Should rest on hard solid bed		
		ii) Should be withstanding shock when constructed on loose soil.		
		iii) Foundation should be provided at some level throughout the bldg.		
		iv)Keys should be provided at base.		
		b) The body of structure	1 mark	
		i) Lighter walls & possible RCC	each	4 M
		ii) Continuing of the cross walls	(any four)	
		iii)Keys should be provided at walls junction	iour)	
		iv)Minimum openings in wall		
		c)The roof of structure		
		i) Flat roof are greater resistance against shocks		
		ii) Light wt. material		
		iii)Avoid projections / overhanging		
		iv)Uniform mass		
		d)General		
		a. Ties at various levels of constant		
		b. uniform height of component		
		c. Symmetrical plan		
		d. Provide expansion joints at discontinuity		
		e. Equal loading on floors		
		f. Provide shear walls		
		g. Avoid stilt floor		
		h. Ductile detailing of steel reinforcement RCC components.		



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Q.3	<u>(uc.</u>)	Given, $D_{10} = 160 \mu$, $D_{30} = 4.75$ mm and $D_{60} = 20$ mm , find		WIGINS
X.C	0)	coefficient of curvature of soil and coefficient of uniformity.		
	Ans.	Given :-		
		$D_{10} = 160 \mu = 0.16 mm$ $D_{30} = 4.75 mm$ $D_{60} = 20 mm$		
		To find:		
		Cc=?		
		Cu=?		
		Solution :-		
		Co-efficient of curvature $Cc = \frac{(D_{B0})2}{D_{60} \times D_{10}}$	1M	
			1M	
		$= (4.75)^2 / (20 \text{ x} 0.16)$	11/1	
		Cc = 7.05		4M
		a sa ta ta a Pro		
		Co-efficient of uniformity $Cu = \frac{D_{60}}{D_{10}}$	1M	
		= 20/0.16		
		Cu = 125	1M	
	d)	A saturated clayey soil weighing 1600 gms weights 1200 gms after		
		oven drying. if its dry density in 1350kg/m ³ . Determine its water		
		content, void ratio, porosity and degree of saturation.		
		Assume G =2.50 and $\Upsilon_{\rm w}$ = 12 kN/m ³		
	Ans.	Given		
		W = 1600 gm		
		$W_{s}=1200 \text{ gm}$		
		$\Upsilon_{\rm d} = 1350 \text{ kg/m}^3 = 1.35 \text{ gm/cc}$ G= 2.50		
		$\Upsilon_{\rm w} = 12 \text{ kN/m}^3 = 1.2 \text{ gm/cc}$		
		$\Gamma_{W} = 12$ KN/III = 1.2 gm/cc		
		To find		
		W = ?		
		e = ?		
		$\eta = ?$		
		$S \text{ or } S_r = ?$		
		$W = W_W / W_s = (W - W_s) / W_s$		
		= (1600-1200) / 1200 = 0.3333		
		= 0.3333 x 100 = 33.33%		
		OR		



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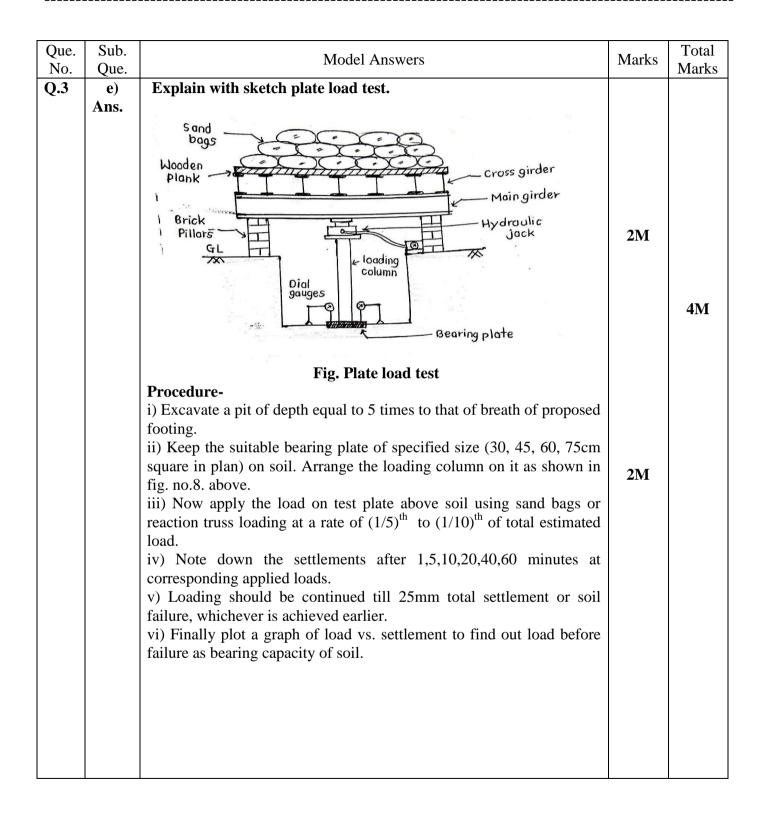
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Q.3	d)	$Yd = \frac{W_s}{V}$ $V = \frac{1200}{1.35}$ $V = 888.89 \text{ cc}$ $Y = \frac{W}{V}$ $= \frac{1600}{888.89}$ $Y = 1.80 \text{ gm/cc}$ Now, $Y_{d=} \frac{Y}{1+w}$ $1.35 = \frac{1.80}{1+w}$ $w = \frac{1.80}{1.35} - 1$ $w = 0.333 = 0.3333 \text{ x } 100 = 33.33 \%$ using	1M	
		$Y_{d=} \frac{G.Y_{w}}{1+e}$ $1.35 = \frac{2.50 \times 1.2}{1+e}$ $e = \frac{2.50 \times 1.2}{1.35} - 1$ $e = 1.22$ we know that, $n = \frac{e}{1-2}$	1M	4M
			1M	
		$S_r = 2.5 X 33.33) / 1.22$ $S_r = 0.6829 = 68.29 \%$	1M	



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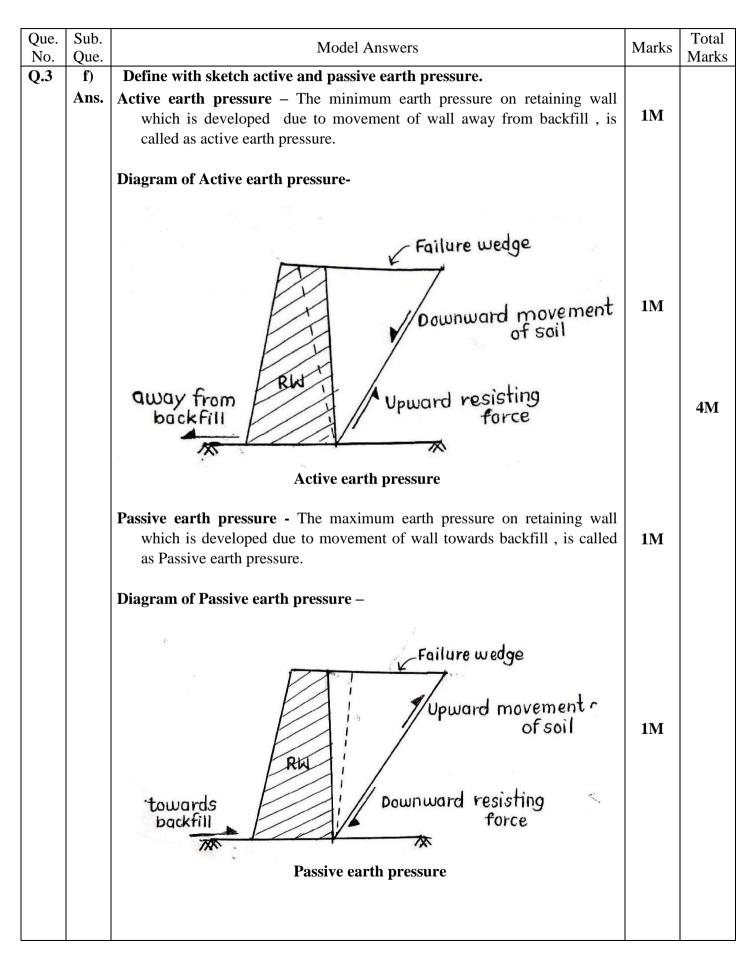
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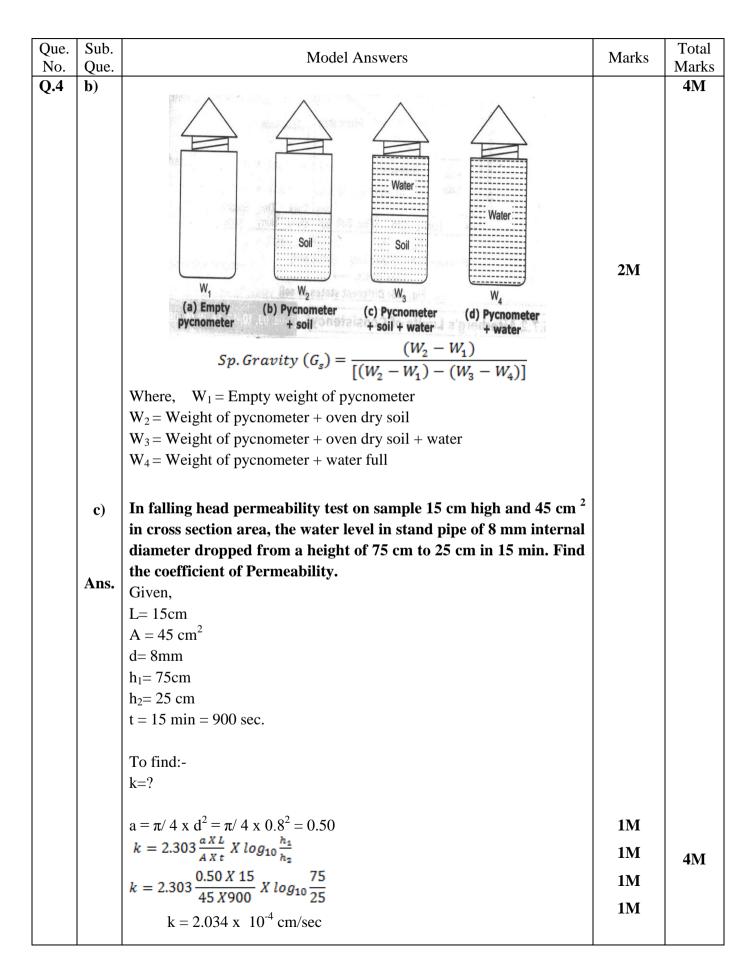
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Q.4	Que.	Attempt any <u>FOUR</u> of the following:		(16M)
	a)	Define dry unit weight and saturated unit weight with formulas.		
	Ans.	Dry Unit Weight :		
		The dry unit weight (Υ_d) is defined as the weight of the solids per	1M	
		unit volume.		
		$\Upsilon d = \frac{W_s}{V}$	1M	4 M
		Saturated Unit Weight :		4111
		The saturated unit weight (Υ_{sat}) is the bulk unit weight per unit		
		volume when the soil is fully saturated.	1M	
		Or		
		It is define as weight of fully saturated soil per unit volume.		
		$\Upsilon_{sat} = \mathbf{W}_{sat} / \mathbf{V}$	1M	
	b)	Explain with sketch specific gravity determination by		
	Ans.	pcynometer.		
		Determination of specific gravity by pycnometer test:		
		Precedure :-		
		1. Dry the pycnometer and weigh it with its cap (W_1) 2. Take about 200 g to 200 g of even dried soil reasing through		
		 2. Take about 200 g to 300 g of oven dried soil passing through 4.75mm sieve into the pycnometer and weigh again(W₂) 		
		 Add water to cover the soil and screw on the cap. 		
		 Add water to cover the son and serew on the cap. Shake the pycnometer well and connect it to the vaccum 		
		pump to remove entrapped air for about 10 to 20 minutes.	23.4	
		5. After the air has been removed, fill the pycnometer with	2M	
		water and weigh it (W_3) .		
		 Clean the pycnometer by washing thoroughly. 		
		7. Fill the cleaned pycnometer completely with water up to its		
		top with cap screw on.		
		8. Weigh the pycnometer after drying it on the outside		



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Q.4 d) Ans.	State the factors affecting permeability.Followings are the factors which affect permeability:1. Particle Size or diameter of soil particle2. Impurities in water3. Void ratio4. Degree of Saturation5. Adsorbed water6. Entrapped air and organic matter7. Stratification of soil layer8. Properties of pore fluid i.e. viscosity and temperature9. Shape of particle	1 Ma eac (ar fou	h Iy	4M
e) Ans.	 State any four factors affecting compaction with their effect. Following the different factors affecting compaction of soil with their effect: Water content : When water content is less i.e. dry soil, compaction is not better, when water content is excessive, compaction is not possil. Therefore water content should be optimum to get better degree compaction. Amount of compaction: When amount of compaction is more, one can achieve better degree compaction in soil even with less water content. but when amount compaction is less, we cannot get MDD even at OMC. Types of soil : For the same compactive effort, the MDD of cohesion less soil is nat less OMC. But MDD of cohesive soil is less even at high OMC. Methods of soil compaction: When compaction is done manually using rolling, ramming tamping, then soil gets partially compacted but due to mechan compaction using various compaction equipment like rollers, vibra etc. soil can be compacted to higher density. Use of admixtures : The compaction of soil can be increased by adding suitable admixt like lime, fly ash, bitumen, rise husk ash etc. these admixture density 	but ble. e of t of nore or ical tors	h y	4M



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Q.4	e) f) Ans.	When the difficult the layers car	ss of soil layer – ickness of soil layer to be to achieve better compaction in be effectively compacted to intiate between compaction	. Hence lesser thickness or required density.	of soil		
		Sr. No	Compaction	Consolidation			
		1	Instant compression of soil under dynamic load is called compaction.	Gradual compression of under steady load is calle consolidation.		1 Mark	
		2	It is fast process.	It is very slow process.		each	4M
		3	It is artificial process.	It is natural process.		(any four)	
		4	It is done to improve soil properties like bearing capacity, shear strength, impermeability etc.	It takes place due to structural load which doe not improve soil propert			
		5	Settlement is prevented due to compaction.	Settlement takes place du compaction.	ue to		
		6	Compaction is done before construction of structure.	Consolidation takes plac after construction of structure.	e		
		7	Pore water pressure is not important in compaction.	Pore water pressure is ve important in compaction	-		
		8	Compaction does not go indefinitely.	Consolidation go indefinitely.			



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.5	Attempt any <u>FOUR</u> of the following:		(16M)
a)	Give classification of earthquakes based on focus and origin.		
Ans.	Types of earthquake based on focus -	1	
	1. Shallow earthquake- Focus depth less than 60 km is taken as	nark	
	shallow earthquake	each	
	2. Intermediate earthquake – Origin of earthquake is at a depth in	(any	
	between 60 km to 300 km called as Intermediate earthquake.	two)	
	3. Deep earthquake – Focus is at depth in range of 300 km to 700 km		
	such earthquake		4 M
	Earthquakes based on origin are as follows:		
	i) Movement of tectonic plates		
	ii) Volcanic eruption	1	
	iii) Anthropogenic sources	mark	
	iv) Dams v) Use of explosives	each (any	
	vi) Sport games	(any two)	
	vii) Injection and Extraction of fluids	two)	
	viii) Removal of natural gases		
b)	Give any four causes and effects of earthquakes.		
Ans.	<u>Causes of earthquake -</u>		
	1. Volcanic eruption		
	2. Technical movements	1	
	3. Natural disaster like landslide, tsunami	mark	
	4. Massive civil structures like dams, reservoirs	each	
	5. High water flows	(any	
	6. Manmade explosions	two)	
	Effects of earthquake -		4 M
	1. Destruction of various Civil Engg. structures		
	2. Formation of irregularities (Unevenness) on ground		
	3. Sudden landslides along hill slopes	1	
	4. Change in river course	mark	
	5. Formation of new lakes, springs	each	
	6. Generation of high ocean tidal waves	(any	
	7. Fire exposure due to short circuiting	two)	
	8. Loss of human life and property		
	5. Loss of numan me and property		



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Q.5	c)	Explain with sketch core cutter method test.		
	Ans.	Procedure-		
		1. Measure the internal dimension of core cutter and calculate its		
		volume V in cm ³ .		
		2. Take weight of empty core cutter without dolly as W_1 gm.		
		3. Clean the ground by removing loose soil if any and keep the core		
		cutter vertically on ground with sharp edge at bottom.		
		4. Now, drive the core cutter into the ground using 13.5 – 14 kg		
		hammer, so that half of dolly will remain above the ground.		
		5. Remove the soil around the core cutter using pick axe and shape		
		take out the core cutter using pick axe and spade and take out the core	21.4	
		cutter safely filled with soil	3M	
		6. Remove the dolly and excess soil from top of core cutter		
		7. Take weight of core cutter completely filled with soil as W_2 gm		
		8. Calculate the bulk unit weight of field soil as $\gamma = (W_2 - W_1) / V$ in		
		gm/cm ³ .		
		9. Now, take the soil specimen from the core cutter and determine its		
		water content by oven drying method as w.		4M
		10. Calculate the dry unit weight of field as		
		$\gamma_{d} = \gamma / (1+w)$ in gm/cm ³ .		
		11. Repeat above steps two more times to calculate average dry unit		
		weight of soil.		
			1M	
		Cylindrical		
		Hammer (13:5-14 Kg)		
		AL AL		
		Polly		
		FieldCylindrical Core cutter		
		soil		
		sharp edge		
		Fig. No.5 : Core Cutter Method		



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Model Answers Define Liquid limit, Plastic Limit, Shrinkage limit and Plast index. <u>Liquid limit (W_L)</u> - It is minimum water content at which separated grooved soil parts mixed together under 25 blow casagrande's liquid limit apparatus; is called as liquid limit. <u>Plastic limit (Wp</u>) – It is minimum water content at which soil be	two s of 1M	Total Marks
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	-	4M
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<u>Shrinkage limit (W_s)</u> - It is maximum water content at which the no reduction in volume of soil due to further decrease in water contact terms does a shrinkage limit.		
<u>Plasticity index (I_P):</u> It is the range of water content over which a		
Explain with sketch flow net		
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Q.5	f)	State any four Field situations of shear failure .		
	Ans.	Field situations where shear failure occurs:		
		1) Upstream slope of earth dam, especially during sudden draw down	1	
		2)Earth behind retaining wall, especially surcharge	Mark	4M
		3)Under foundation along planes of maximum shear	each	
		4) Sub grades of road.	(Any	
		5) Embankment of road	four)	
		6) Abutment of bridges		
Q.6		Attempt any <u>FOUR</u> of the following:		(16M)
	a)	Explain with sketch concept of zero air voids line.		
	Ans.	Zero Air Void Line:		
		If the soil is assumed to be 100% saturated and different dry densities		
		are calculated for 100% saturation, then the resulting line on the		
		compaction curve is called the 100% saturation line or zero air void		
		line.	2M	
		OR		
		The line which shows the relation between water content – dry density		
		for the compacted soil having a constant percentage of air voids is		
		knows as zero air void line.		
		2) The zero air void line is drawn across compaction curve and gives		
		direct indication of percentage air voids or degree of saturation		
		existing at different points of curve.		
		Significance of Zero Air Void Line:-	11/	414
		The actual dry density with respect to water content cannot reach its	1M	4 M
		theoretical value even after applying heavy compaction.		
		2.01		
		1.9 Max dry density	1M	
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		Zero air		
		void line		
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		Moisture content in percentage		



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Q.6	b)	Give suitability of any four compaction equipments.		
	Ans.	i) Smooth wheel rollers :		
		Suitability: These rollers best suitable for 5ubgrade or base coarse		
		compaction of cohesion less soils.,		
		ii) Pneumatic tyred rollers:		
		Suitability: Pneumatic tyred rollers are effective for compacting		
		cohesive as well as Cohesion less soils. Light rollers are effective for		
		compacting soil layers of small thickness	1	
		iii) Sheep foot roller :	Mark	
		Suitability : Suitable only for fine grained cohesive soil	Each	
		iv) Compaction by Rammers :	(any four)	4 M
		Suitability: Suitable for all types of soil having less thickness i.e. less	iour)	
		important works.		
		v) Compaction by vibratory compactors :		
		Suitability: Suitable for compacting granular soils. with no fines in		
		layer up to 1 m thickness.		
	c)	State any four methods of soil stabilization and explain any one.		
	Ans.	<u>Methods of soil stabilization –</u>		
		1. Mechanical Stabilization2. Lime Stabilization	1/2	
		3. Cement Stabilization4.Bitumen Stabilization	mark	
		5.Fly ash Stabilization6.Stabilization by chemicals	each	
		7.Stabilization by heating8.Stabilization by grouting	(any four)	
		Mechanical Stabilization- In this method, stabilization of soil is done		
		without adding any chemicals or admixtures. The procedure of		
		mechanical stabilization is described below-		
		1. Initially the soil is excavated using excavator and then it is ground		4 M
		to finer particles using pulveriser.		
		2. In this pulverized soil , well graded aggregates are spread and		
		mixed till homogeneous mixture will form.		
		3. Then water is sprinkled which is optimum moisture content i.e.	2M	
		OMC for getting maximum dry density i.e. MDD		
		4. The heavy roller (8-10 tonne capacity) is used to compact soil 15-		
		20 cm thickness as per type of soil available.		
		5. The compacted surface is cured by sprinkling water on it, followed		
		by compaction . The curing and compaction is done alternatively for 7		
		days. Then the stabilized portion is allowed for its further use.		
		(Note- Explanation of any other method from above should be		
		considered.)		



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Q.6	d)			
	Ans.	Give necessity of site investigation and sub soil explorations.		
	Alls.	<u>Necessity of Site investigation –</u>		
		1. To determine bearing capacity of soil	1	
		2. To select suitable construction techniques	mark	
		3.To select the type and depth of foundation for given structure	each	
		4.To investigate safety of existing structures and to suggest the	(any	
		remedial measures	two)	
		5. To predict lateral earth pressure against retaining walls &		
		foundation of abutments		4 M
		6. To establish ground water level and to determine the properties of		
		water.		
		<u>Necessity of sub-soil exploration -</u>		
		1. To know stratification below ground surface		
		2. To determining index properties of soil like bulk density, voids	1	
		ratio, water content, permeability, bearing capacity, compressibility	1 mark	
		etc.	each	
		3. To determine safe bearing capacity for design of foundation of	(any	
		proposed structure	two)	
		4. To control the seepage and rise of ground water below surface		
		5. To decide size , depth and type of foundation for the proposed		
		structure		
		6. To know grain size distribution by sampling undistributed soil		
		sample and classify soil accordingly		
		7. To decide suitability of soil for proposed structure.		
	e)	Explain with sketch Mohr-Coulomb failure theory.		
	Ans.	Mohr presented a theory for rupture in materials. The failure along a		
		plane in a material occurs by a critical combination of normal and		
		shear stresses, and not by normal or shear stress alone. The functional		
		relation between normal and shear stress on the failure plane can be		
		given by		
		$S = f(\sigma)(1)$		
		Coulomb defined the function as		
		$S=C+\sigma \tan \Phi \dots (2)$		
		Where c is cohesion and Φ is the angle of friction of the soil equation		
		2) is generally referred to as the Mohr-Coulomb failure criteria.	3M	4 M
		If data from several tests, carried out on different samples up to failure		
		is available, a series of Mohr circles can be plotted. It is convenient to		
		show only the upper half of the Mohr circle. A line tangential to the		
		Mohr circles can be drawn, and is called the Mohr-Coulomb failure		
		envelope.		



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Q.6	e)					
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	f)	Explain with sketch mechanical siev	e analysis.			
	Ans.	Mechanical sieve analysis –	v			
		The process of analyzing the particle	-		11.4	
		mechanical means, is known as n			1 M	
		performing mechanical sieve analys	is, a particle size	distribution		
		curve is plotted for grading of soil. Procedure-				
		i) Arrange the set of I.S. sieves in desc	anding order i a .co	arser sieve		
		at top and finer sieve at bottom The I	U			
		of size 4.75mm, 2.36mm, 1.18mm, 60				
		ii) Take 500-1000gm oven dried soil s		topmost		
		sieve. Keep lid and pan at top and bott	om respectively.	_		
		iii) Now, shake this assembly of sieve	on mechanical siev	e shaker for		
		10-15 minutes, so that soil sample will	be sieved complete	ely.		4M
		iv) Take the weight of soil mass retain	ed on each sieve se	parately in		
		gms.		C		
		v) Calculate % finer for each sieve usi	2M			
		Sieve Mass Cumulative	% Cumulative	% Finer		
		size retained(gm) mass	mass retained	or passing		
		(mm) retained(%)	(%)	(%)		
		vi) Finally, plot the particular size dist		U		
		graph paper as sieve size versus % fine	er of soil to classify	soil as		
		shown in Fig.6(b)				
		vii) From above graph, soil is classif	ied based on gradi	ng curves as		
		follows- a) Well graded soil) Poorly or gap grad	ded soil		
			parse grained soil	ucu 5011		
		e) Uniformly graded soil	Sande Brunned Boll			



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