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B.Tech. 4th Semester End-Term Examination

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND CONCRETE TECHNOLOGY

New Regulation (w.e.f. 2017-18) &
New Syllabus (w.e.f. 2018-19)

Full Marks – 70

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Answer question No. 1 and any *four* from the rest.

No IS codes are allowed in the Examination.

1. Answer the following : (10 × 1 = 10)
- (i) If standard consistency of a cement sample is 31%, then the amount of water used for testing of setting time of 400 gm cement is
- (a) 105.4 ml (b) 26.35 ml
(c) 111.6 ml (d) 124 ml
- (ii) Compressive strength developed in concrete in 7 days is approximately
- (a) 50% (b) 65%
(c) 90% (d) 95%
- (iii) The relationship between Modulus of elasticity and compressive strength of concrete is
- (a) $E = 0.7 \sqrt{f_{ck}}$ (b) $E = 0.7 f_{ck}$
(c) $E = 5000 f_{ck}$ (d) $E = 5000 \sqrt{f_{ck}}$
- (iv) The Bogue compound responsible for initial setting and maximum heat of hydration is
- (a) C_3S (b) C_2S
(c) C_3A (d) C_4AF

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(v) The super-plasticizers are used as admixture for the following purpose

- (a) To increase workability of concrete
- (b) To disperse particle, remove air bubble and to retard setting
- (c) To disperse particles only
- (d) To decrease the setting time

(vi) The R-value of a thermal insulating material is

- (a) Inversely proportional to the thickness of material
- (b) Directly proportional to thermal conductivity of the material
- (c) Equal to thermal conductivity of the material
- (d) Inversely proportional to thermal conductivity of the material

(vii) Devel's attrition test is used to determine

- (a) Aggregate abrasion value
- (b) Aggregate crushing value
- (c) Aggregate impact value
- (d) Aggregate roughness value

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(viii) Which of the following is added to steel to increase resistance to corrosion?

- (a) Carbon
- (b) Copper
- (c) Sulphur
- (d) Manganese

(ix) What is the main function of set retarders

- (a) Improves workability at low w/c ratio
- (b) Speeds up start of finishing operations
- (c) Increase curing rate
- (d) Decrease curing rate

(x) Ultrasonic testing is done to determine

- (a) Yield strength
- (b) Cracks below the surface
- (c) Hardness
- (d) Ultimate tensile strength

2. (a) Explain how an unsound coarse aggregate differs from a sound coarse aggregate. (5)
- (b) Describe where aggregate impact test is carried out in civil engineering structures. (5)
- (c) Describe one method of seasoning of timber. (5)

3. (a) The test results of sieve analysis for 20 mm single sized aggregate of a 3 kg test sample are given below. (5)

Sl. No	IS Sieve No	Wt. Retained (kg)
1	40 mm	0
2	20 mm	0.35
3	10 mm	2.38
4	4.75 mm	0.20

Determine whether the sample is conforming to IS 383-2016.

- (b) Describe the advantages of air entraining agent. (5)
- (c) Discuss the steps involved in concrete production. (5)
4. (a) What is C-S-H gel? How amount of C-S-H gel can be increased by adding fly ash or calcined clay? (8)
- (b) What is creep and shrinkage of concrete? Mention the factors affecting shrinkage of concrete. (3+4)
5. (a) What are the external and internal factors that affect durability of concrete? Explain any one factor from each category. (3+2+2)
- (b) State different methods of measuring workability of concrete. Describe the factors affecting workability. (2+6)
6. The following data are given for a concrete mix design : (15)
- (a) Characteristic compressive strength required at the field after 28 days if curing = 25 N/mm².
- (b) Type of aggregate = Maximum nominal size 20 mm angular.
- (c) Standard deviation to be used = 4.00
- (d) Probability factor (k) = 1.65
- (e) Value of X = 5.5
- (f) Approximate air content 1%
- (g) Workability required 200 mm of slump

- (h) Exposure condition = Moderate
- (i) Specific gravities of cement, coarse aggregate, fine aggregate and superplasticizer are 2.84, 2.61, 2.57 and 1.018 respectively.
- (j) Grading zone for fine aggregate = Zone III
- (k) Maximum water content per cubic meter of concrete for 20 mm aggregate is 186 kg.
- (l) Volume of CA per unit volume of total aggregate, for FA zone III and nominal maximum size of 20 mm aggregate is 0.64.
- (m) Minimum cement content from durability consideration 300 kg.
- (n) Maximum cement content 450 kg
- (o) Method of concrete placement = Pumping. Determine the actual quantities required for the mix at saturated surface dry (SSD) condition per cubic meter of concrete for W/C ratio of 0.45.

7. Write short notes (Any three) :

(3 × 5 = 15)

- (a) Fly ash bricks
 - (b) Light weight concrete
 - (c) Creep of concrete
 - (d) Curing of concrete.
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