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Subject Name: Foundation Engineering

Time: 10:30 AM to 01:00 PM

Total Marks: 70

Instructions:

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.

MARKS

- Q.1 Short Questions: Fill in the blanks** **14**
- 1 The standard penetration test is used to measure the shear strength of _____ (clay, sands)
 - 2 In standard penetration test the weight of _____ kg. and _____ cm free fall is Considered. (75 & 65, 65 & 75).
 - 3 Likelihood of general shear failure for an isolated footing in sand decreases with increase in footing width. _____ (True, false)
 - 4 The two criteria for the determination of allowable bearing capacity of foundation are _____ & _____. (Shear failure & settlement, bond failure & shear failure)
 - 5 In a plate load test, the ultimate load is estimated _____ from the load settlement log-log graph. (directly, by the secant method)
 - 6 The negative skin friction on a pile is developed when _____ (The soil surrounding pile settles more, The ground water table rises)
 - 7 According to Field's rule, the efficiency of group of three piles in a triangular pattern is _____ (87.5%, 82%)
 - 8 The main function of geo-membrane is as _____ (liquid barrier, reinforcement)
 - 9 The swelling behavior of black cotton soil is attributed to presence of _____ (Kaolin, Montmorillonite)
 - 10 In a counterfort retaining wall, the counterfort acts as a _____ (tension member, compression member)
 - 11 _____ piles are used to resist large horizontal forces (anchor piles, batter piles)
 - 12 _____ piles are not suitable for the region subjected to earthquakes. (Sand pile, timber pile)
 - 13 General shear failure occurs in _____ (stiff clay, Soft clay)
 - 14 According to Terzaghi's bearing Capacity theory, the base of the footing is assumed to be _____ (rough, smooth)
- Q.2**
- (a) Write the purpose of foundation. **03**
 - (b) Enlist methods of sub-soil exploration & explain any one method in detail. **04**
 - (c) Discuss various types of soil samplers with neat sketch. **07**
- OR**
- (c) Explain penetration tests and their outcomes **07**

- Q.3** (a) Calculate using Skempton's equation, the ultimate bearing capacity of a square footing on the surface of standard having unconfined compressive strength of 60 kN/m^2 **03**
- (b) Give the comparison between disturbed and un disturbed samples. **04**
- (c) Discuss various types of shallow foundation with neat figures. **07**
- OR**
- Q.3** (a) Calculate the ultimate point resistance of a pile, if the pile is embedded in a deep clay stratum. Take cohesion $C=3.0 \text{ t/m}^2$. **03**
- (b) Define: (1) Gross bearing capacity, (2) Ultimate bearing capacity (3) Safe bearing capacity, (4) Allowable bearing capacity. **04**
- (c) Write short note on: (a) Raft foundation (b) Grillage foundation. **07**
- Q.4** (a) What is group efficiency of piles? Enlist various methods for determining group efficiency of piles. **03**
- (b) Explain Prandtl & Rankine's theories for the determination of bearing capacity. Also state their limitations. **04**
- (c) Explain plate load test & its significance. **07**
- OR**
- Q.4** (a) Enlist various factors affecting bearing capacity. **03**
- (b) Calculate the minimum depth a foundation required to transmit a load of 50 kN/m^2 in a cohesion less soil having $\gamma = 17 \text{ kN/m}^3$ and $\phi = 20^\circ$. Also calculate the bearing capacity if the depth adopted is 1.5 m using Rankine's formula. **04**
- (c) Explain the pile load test to determine the ultimate load carrying capacity of pile. **07**
- Q.5** (a) Enlist various pile driving hammers & explain any one in detail. **03**
- (b) What is 'active zone' in black cotton soil? State properties of black cotton soil. **04**
- (c) Discuss stability criteria of cantilever retaining wall. **07**
- OR**
- Q.5** (a) Determine the efficiency of group of nine piles (3×3) by Field's rule. **03**
- (b) Discuss drainage of back fill in retaining walls. **04**
- (c) Classify geotextile materials. What are the basic functions performed by geotextiles? **07**
