B.Tech. Civil (Construction Management) / B.Tech. Civil (Water Resources Engineering)

Term-End Examination December, 2013

ET-501(B): FOUNDATION ENGINEERING

Time: 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 70

Note: Attempt all questions. Use of calculator is permitted Assume reasonable values for missing data, if any Illustrate your answer with neat sketches.

1. Answer *any four* of the following :

4x10=40

- (a) In what conditions will you suggest Geophysical methods of exploration? Discuss about following geophysical methods.
 - (i) Electrical resistivity
 - (ii) Seismic method
- (b) Define Bearing Capacity. Explain different types of shear failures with neat sketches. Explain the salient features to distinguish between them.
- (c) A strip foundation of width 2.5 m is to be founded at a depth of 1.5 m in a well drained sand stratum, having the following properties. $\phi'=38^{\circ}$, $\gamma=18 \text{kN/m}^3$. Determine the ultimate bearing capacity using terzaghi's Bearing Capacity equation. Take $N_q=65.34$ and $N_r=77.2$.

- (d) Design a plain concrete wall footing to support a 300 mm thick block masonry wall. Dead load including self weight of the wall is 150 kN/m and the live load is 300 kN/m. The allowable bearing capacity of the soil is 250 kPa. The weight of the earth is 16.8 kN/m³. The footing is to be placed 1.20m below GL. Assume M₂₀ grade of concrete.
- (e) Derive an expression for immediate settlement due to a point load and uniformly loaded flexible area, from theory of elasticity.
- (f) Write short notes on:
 - (i) Raft foundations
 - (ii) Causes of settlements
- 2. Answer *any three* of the following: 3x10=30
 - (a) A retaining wall with vertical face on backfill side is 3m high. The backfill is being loaded with a uniform surcharge of 30kPa. The properties of soil are given as ; $\phi = 30^\circ$, C = 0; $\gamma = 16kN/m^3$. Calculate the magnitude and point of application of total active earth pressure acting on the retaining wall.
 - (b) Explain different types of deep foundations, with neat sketches.
 - (c) Describe classification of pile foundations.
 - (d) Derive an expression for amplitude due to sliding vibration.
 - (e) Explain different types of well foundations, with their relative merits and demerits.