

Diploma in Civil Engineering

Term-End Examination

June, 2012

BCE-044 : CONCRETE TECHNOLOGY

Time : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : Answer any five questions including question number 1 which is compulsory.

1. (a) Answer *any two* of the following in brief (2-3 lines only) : 2x2=4
- (i) What is meant by an admixture ?
 - (ii) Differentiate between mild steel and tor steel.
 - (iii) Why the colour of ordinary portland cement is grey ?
- (b) Fill in the blanks choosing suitable word. $4 \times 1\frac{1}{2} = 6$
- (i) Concrete is suitable for compaction by vibrator if it is _____. (plastic/set)
 - (ii) Bleeding is the property of concrete in _____ stage. (plastic/hardened)
 - (iii) Soundness of cement is determined by _____ apparatus. (Vicat/Le chatelier).
 - (iv) One bag of cement is _____ kgs. (35/50).

- (c) Select the correct option (attempt *any four*) $4 \times 1 = 4$
- (i) The temporary (increase / decrease) in volume of sand due to moisture is called bulking.
 - (ii) Compression Testing machine measures (Strength/workability) of concrete.
 - (iii) Road Note No.4 is the method of designing (the road/the concrete mix).
 - (iv) The first operation of finishing of concrete is (Screeding/floating)
 - (v) The gauge boxes are available in a size of (35 liters/50 litres)
2. (a) Differentiate between *any two* of the following : $2 \times 4 = 8$
- (i) Accelerators and retarders
 - (ii) Weigh batching and volume batching
 - (iii) Internal and External vibrator
- (b) Define the following (*any two*) : $2 \times 3 = 6$
- (i) Aggregate impact value
 - (ii) Buttering the mixer
 - (iii) Standard consistency of cement
3. (a) Enlist types of cement. Explain characteristics of any one. 8
- (b) Explain compression strength test for cement. 6

4. (a) Discuss various field tests to check quality of cement. 8
(b) Write the procedure of determining fineness modulus of aggregate. 6
5. (a) Explain Vee-Bee consistometer test with a neat sketch. 8
(b) Describe the relation between strength and water cement ratio with the help of a neat sketch 6
6. (a) Describe various considerations in the storage of ingredients of concrete at site. 8
(b) Compare hand mixing and machine mixing of concrete. 6
7. Write short notes on *any four* of the following : 4x3½=14
(a) Workability of concrete
(b) Cement factor and yield of concrete
(c) Stages of quality control
(d) Prepacked concrete
(e) Ferrocement
(f) RMC
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