

DIPLOMA IN CIVIL ENGINEERING
DCLE(G)

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Term-End Examination
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BCEE-061 : PRESTRESSED CONCRETE

Time : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : *Question no. 1 is compulsory. Attempt any four questions from the remaining questions. Assume required data suitably, if found missing.*

1. Choose the most appropriate answer from the given options : $7 \times 2 = 14$
- (a) Splices are used for
- (i) positioning of anchorages
 - (ii) stretching tendons
 - (iii) joining tendons
 - (iv) holding tendons at correct profile
- (b) The minimum grade of concrete used for post-tensioned concrete structures is
- (i) M-25
 - (ii) M-30
 - (iii) M-35
 - (iv) M-40

- (c) Shrinkage of concrete in post-tensioned concrete structures
 - (i) decreases with age of concrete at transfer
 - (ii) increases with age of concrete at transfer
 - (iii) remains constant
 - (iv) None of these

- (d) Magnel Blaton method of prestressing is used for
 - (i) Pre-tensioning
 - (ii) Post-tensioning
 - (iii) Both
 - (iv) Partial pre-tensioning

- (e) As compared to an RCC Beam for the same span and loading, the size of that in prestressed concrete would be
 - (i) more
 - (ii) less
 - (iii) equal
 - (iv) None of these

- (f) In prestressed concrete structures the type of steel used may be
 - (i) HYSD bars
 - (ii) Mild steel bars
 - (iii) High Tensile strength wires/strand
 - (iv) All of these

(g) Modulus of elasticity of concrete may be obtained from

(i) $4500 \sqrt{f_{ck}}$

(ii) $5200 \sqrt{f_{ck}}$

(iii) $5700 \sqrt{f_{ck}}$

(iv) None of these

2. (a) Calculate the stresses in bottom and top fibres at mid span location of a prestressed concrete beam which is simply supported. This beam of 6.0 m span has a cross-section of size 200 mm × 450 mm and is subjected to an imposed load of 5 kN/m over the entire span. Density of concrete may be assumed as 25 kN/m³. A prestressing force of 300 kN is applied at constant eccentricity of 100 mm towards soffit of beam. 7

(b) Compare briefly pre-tensioned and post-tensioned methods of prestressing. 7

3. A concrete beam 200 mm × 400 mm (deep) is pre-tensioned by 7 wires of 6 mm diameter with initial stress 1200 N/mm². Pre-stressing force is applied at an eccentricity of 60 mm. Calculate the loss of pre-stress due to (i) elastic shortening (ii) creep of concrete (iii) shrinkage of concrete and (iv) relaxation of steel. Assume $E_s = 2 \times 10^5$ N/mm², $E_c = 35 \times 10^3$ N/mm², Creep coefficient = 1.6, Shrinkage strain = 3×10^{-4} , Relaxation of steel = 6%. 14

4. (a) Describe the utility of Hoyer's long line method of pre-tensioning. Explain with a neat sketch. 7
- (b) Discuss briefly the concept of pressure line. 7
5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : $2 \times 7 = 14$
- (a) Flexure failure of prestressed concrete beams
- (b) Prestressed concrete pipes
- (c) Secondary stresses due to tendon curvature
6. (a) Discuss why a good quality of concrete and steel is needed in prestressed concrete structures. 7
- (b) Describe chemical prestressing briefly. 7
7. (a) Explain reasons of variation in tendon stresses in post-tensioned concrete members. 7
- (b) Explain three advantages of prestressed concrete. What are the types of structures in which use of prestressed concrete is preferred? 7