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DIPLOMA IN CIVIL ENGINEERING DCLE(G)

Term-End Examination

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BCEE-061 : PRESTRESSED CONCRETE

Time : 2 hours

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Maximum Marks : 70

Note: Attempt any five questions, including question no. 1 which is compulsory. Use of scientific calculator is allowed. Assume any data required suitably.

- 1. Choose the most appropriate answer from the given options : $7 \times 2=14$
 - (a) As compared to RCC beam for the same space and loading, the size of the beam in a prestressed concrete structure is
 - (i) more
 - (ii) equal
 - (iii) less
 - (iv) None of the above
 - (b) Loss of pre-stress due to elastic shortening occurs in
 - (i) post-tensioned concrete
 - (ii) pre-tensioned concrete
 - (iii) Both the above
 - (iv) None of the above

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- (c) Splices are used for
 - (i) stretching tendons
 - (ii) joining tendons
 - (iii) positioning anchorages
 - (iv) holding tendons with correct profile
 - (d) In post-tensioned concrete structures, value of shrinkage strain
 - (i) ^{*}remains constant
 - (ii) decreases with age of member at transfer
 - (iii) increases with age of member at transfer
 - (iv) depends on the type of anchorage system
- (e) For characteristic load, the probability of not being exceeded is
 - (i) 95%
 - (ii) **98%**
 - (iii) **90%**
 - (iv) None of the above
- (f) The concept of transmission length is applicable to
 - (i) post-tensioned concrete
 - (ii) pre-tensioned concrete
 - (iii) Both the above
 - (iv) None of the above

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(g) Most common method of pre-stressing used for factory production is

- (i) Hoyer's Method
- (ii) Freyssinet System
- (iii) Magnel-Blaton Method
- (iv) Lee-Macall System
- 2. (a) Discuss reasons to provide high strength concrete and high strength steel for pre-stressed concrete structure.
 - (b) Discuss Hoyer's method of pre-tensioning briefly. Explain utility of the method.
- 3. (a) A pre-tensioned concrete beam of size $200 \text{ mm} \times 400 \text{ mm}$ has 6 wires of 5 mm diameter. Calculate loss of pre-stress due to creep of concrete if wires have initial pre-stress of 1050 N/mm² and effective eccentricity is 90 mm. Assume $E_s = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$ and $E_c = 30 \times 10^3 \text{ N/mm}^2$ and creep coefficient = 1.6.
 - (b) Write down any three advantages of pre-stressed concrete. Also discuss three applications of the same.
- **4.** (a) Discuss briefly Load Balancing concept for a pre-stressed concrete beam.
 - (b) Discuss losses of pre-stress due to relaxation of steel and shrinkage of concrete in pre-stressed concrete structures.

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- 5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : $2 \times 7 = 14$
 - (a) Chemical pre-stressing
 - (b) Flexural failures in pre-stressed beam
 - (c) Pre-stressed concrete pipes
- 6. (a) Define tendon splices. Discuss briefly types of tendon splices.
 - (b) Discuss steps to design a pre-stressed concrete rectangular beam.
- 7. (a) Compare briefly pre-tensioning and post-tensioning methods of pre-stressing.
 - (b) Concrete beam of 300 mm × 550 mm carries an imposed load of 15 kN/m over a simply supported span of 7 m. Calculate the stresses at the mid span in top and bottom fibres if beam is pre-tensioned by 8 wires of 6 mm diameter. The cables have eccentricity of 70 mm at mid span and are stressed with initial stress of 1200 N/mm².

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