

**DIPLOMA IN CIVIL ENGINEERING DCLE(G)
(DCLEVI)**

Term-End Examination

December, 2013

BCE-044 : CONCRETE TECHNOLOGY

Time : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : Answer any five questions including question number 1 which is compulsory. Use of scientific calculator is permitted.

1. (a) Answer any two of the following in brief (2-3 lines only) : **2x2=4**
- (i) Differentiate between mild steel and tor steel.
 - (ii) Why is rapid hardening cement finely ground ?
 - (iii) What is meant by 'Mzo' ?
- (b) Fill in the blanks (any four) : **4x1½=6**
- (i) Vee-Bee test is used to determine _____ of concrete mix.
 - (ii) _____ sand is used for determining the compressive strength of cement.
 - (iii) Compaction is the process adopted for expelling the _____.

- (iv) BIS specifies that the characteristics strength of concrete is to be measured on _____ day.
- (v) _____ apparatus is used to determine soundness of cement.
- (c) Select the correct option (**any four**) : **4x1=4**
- (i) Fineness modulus gives an idea about (size/ shape) of the aggregate.
- (ii) Initial setting of cement is caused due to (Tri - calcium aluminate/Tri - calcium silicate).
- (iii) Road Note no.4 is the method of desinging (the road / the concrete mix)
- (iv) Bleeding is (desirable / not desirable) for good concrete.
- (v) Concrete is suitable for compaction by vibrator if it is (dry / plastic).
2. (a) Differentiate between **any two** of the following : **2x4=8**
- (i) True slump and shear slump.
- (ii) Hand mixing and machine mixing
- (iii) Accelerator and Retarder admixtures
- (b) Define the following (**any two**) : **2x3=6**
- (i) Consistency of cement
- (ii) Flakiness index
- (iii) Fineness modulus

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| 3. | (a) | Describe the procedure of determining the initial and final setting time of cement in the laboratory. | 8 |
| | (b) | Explain the procedure of manufacture of cement. | 6 |
| 4. | (a) | Define bulking of sand. Describe the bulking phenomenon with neat sketches. | 8 |
| | (b) | Explain precautions to be observed during transportation of concrete. | 6 |
| 5. | (a) | Define workability. Describe slump test in detail. | 8 |
| | (b) | Explain Abram's water - cement ratio law with the help of a neat sketch. | 6 |
| 6. | (a) | Enlist different methods of curing. Explain any two of them in brief. | 8 |
| | (b) | Define framework. Draw the sketches of framework for a wall and a column. | 6 |
| 7. | Write short notes on any four of the following : | | |
| | (a) | Pre - stressed concrete | $4 \times 3\frac{1}{2} = 14$ |
| | (b) | Cement compounds | |
| | (c) | Trail and error method of mix design | |
| | (d) | Hot weather concreting | |
| | (e) | Ready - mix concrete | |
| | (f) | SSD condition of aggregate | |