

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

Term-End Examination

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BCEE-061 : PRESTRESSED CONCRETE

Time : 2 hours

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 : 7×2=14
- (a) Tensile strength of concrete for the design of a prestressed concrete structure may be calculated from the relation
- (i) $0.8 \sqrt{f_{ck}}$
 - (ii) $0.6 \sqrt{f_{ck}}$
 - (iii) $0.5 \sqrt{f_{ck}}$
 - (iv) $0.7 \sqrt{f_{ck}}$
- (b) For a beam carrying a uniformly distributed load, ideal profile of prestressing cable is
- (i) Linearly varying
 - (ii) Passing through neutral axis
 - (iii) Parabolic
 - (iv) With uniform eccentricity

- (c) Minimum grade of concrete for a pre-tensioned concrete structure should be
- (i) M-40
 - (ii) M-30
 - (iii) M-45
 - (iv) None of the above
- (d) A bearing plate below an anchorage system
- (i) is desired
 - (ii) is unsafe
 - (iii) distributes the force evenly
 - (iv) increases stress intensity in concrete
- (e) Which of the following losses occurs only in post-tensioning ?
- (i) Elastic shortening of concrete
 - (ii) Shrinkage of concrete
 - (iii) Creep of concrete
 - (iv) Loss due to friction
- (f) Partial safety factor to design a prestressed structure for wind load for dead load + wind load combination is
- (i) 0.8
 - (ii) 1.2
 - (iii) 1
 - (iv) 1.5

- (g) For a prestressed structure, the value of creep coefficient for concrete
- (i) Decreases with age at loading
 - (ii) Increases with age at loading
 - (iii) Depends upon type of anchorage system used
 - (iv) Remains constant and does not depend on age at loading
2. (a) Explain the loss of prestress due to friction in post-tensioned concrete members. 7
- (b) Discuss the advantages of prestressed concrete structures as compared to reinforced concrete structures. 7
3. (a) Discuss briefly the concept of pressure line for a prestressed concrete member. 7
- (b) Discuss the reasons of variations in tendon stresses in post-tensioned concrete members. 7
4. (a) A pre-tensioned concrete beam of size $200 \text{ mm} \times 350 \text{ mm}$ is carrying a prestressing force of 400 kN. Calculate the loss of prestress due to elastic deformation if the beam has constant eccentricity of prestressing force as 70 mm. Assume $E_c = 35 \text{ kN/mm}^2$ and $E_s = 210 \text{ kN/mm}^2$. 7
- (b) Explain briefly, the Freyssinet method for post-tensioned prestressed structures. 7

5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : $2 \times 7 = 14$

- (a) Prestressed Concrete Poles
- (b) Secondary Stresses Due to Tendon Curvature
- (c) Salient Codal Provisions of Serviceability for Prestressed Concrete Structures

6. (a) Calculate the stresses at midspan of a prestressed concrete beam in top and bottom fibres. The beam has a simple supported span of 6.0 m and carries an imposed load of 15 kN/m. The cross-section of the beam is 200 mm \times 500 mm (deep) and a prestressing force of 500 kN is applied concentrically. Assume density of concrete as 25 kN/m³. 7

(b) Write down the names of any two types of devices used to stretch tendons. Explain briefly any one type of device. 7

7. (a) Discuss briefly, flexure failures in prestressed concrete beams. 7

(b) Discuss briefly, light weight aggregate prestressed concrete. 7