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FOUNDATION ENGINEERING

Full Marks : 100

Time : Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Answer **any five** questions out of **six**.

1. (a) What are the assumptions in Boussinesq's theory for finding out stresses in a soil medium ? 5
- (b) What is an isobar ? 5
- (c) What are the different soil improvement techniques ? Write a short note on stone column. 4+6=10

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2. (a) Define — 2½×4=10

(i) Undisturb sample

(ii) Disturb sample

(iii) Area ratio

(iv) Inside Clearance.

(b) Determine the safe load that can be carried by a square footing of $2m \times 2m$ placed at a depth of $1.5m$ below GL. The foundation soil has the following properties — $\gamma = 1.65t/m^3$, $c = 1.4t/m^3$, $\phi = 20^\circ$, assume a F.O.S = 3, Given for $\phi = 20^\circ$, $N'_c = 11.8$, $N'_q = 3.8$, $N'_\gamma = 1.3$.

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3. (a) Deduce the expression of ultimate bearing capacity according to Terzaghi's bearing capacity theory. 10

(b) Explain the terms — 2½×4=10

(a) General shear failure

(b) Local shear failure

- (c) Punching shear failure
- (d) Allowable bearing pressure.

4. (a) What is negative skin friction ? 5

(b) What are the design criteria for satisfactory performance of a machine foundation ? 5

(c) A group of 12 piles, is used as the foundation of a column. Each pile have a diameter of 500mm, and is 30m long. The piles are arranged in 3 rows and spaced at 1.25M C/C. The properties of the foundation soil are as follows—

$$\gamma' = 11 \text{ kN/m}^3, C_u = 35 \text{ kN/m}^2, \phi_u = 0$$

Assuming $\alpha = 0.8$ and F.O.S as 2.5, determine the capacity of the pile group. 10

5. (a) Explain the function of vertical sand drains. 5

(b) Draw the different components of a well foundation. 5

- (c) A column of a building carrying a gross vertical load of $150t$, has to be supported by a square footing. The footing is to be placed at $1.2m$ below ground level in a homogeneous bed of soil having the following properties :

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$$\gamma = 1.82t/m^3, \phi = 36^\circ$$

Determine the size of footing required to have a F.O.S. of 3 against shear failure. For $\phi = 36^\circ, N_q = 46, N_\gamma = 50$.

6. Write short notes on : **(any four)** $4 \times 5 = 20$

- (i) Vibroflotation technique of ground improvement
- (ii) Free vibration and forced vibration
- (iii) Efficiency of a pile group
- (iv) Area ratio of a sampler
- (v) Cement stabilization of soil.