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**END SEMESTER EXAMINATION – 2021**

Semester : 5th

Subject Code : CT-503

**GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING**

Full Marks – 70

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions

**Instruction:**

All questions of PART – A and PART – B are  
compulsory.

PART – A

Marks – 25

1. Fill in the blanks : 1×10=10

(a) Unsaturated soil exists as a \_\_\_\_\_ phase  
system.

(b) The ratio between volumes of voids to the  
\_\_\_\_\_ in a soil mass is called void ratio.

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- (c) Specific gravity = \_\_\_\_\_ divided by \_\_\_\_\_.
- (d) In compaction expulsion of \_\_\_\_\_ occurs.
- (e) Plastic limit of soil is determined by \_\_\_\_\_ apparatus.
- (f) Water content is the ratio between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- (g) For Darcy's law to be validating the flow in soil should be \_\_\_\_\_.
- (h) The coefficient of permeability is determined in laboratory by \_\_\_\_\_ methods.
- (i) Alluvium soil are transported by \_\_\_\_\_.
- (j) Due to increase in compaction, permeability \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Classify the soil :

1×5=5

- (a) ML
- (b) SM
- (c) CI
- (d) SC
- (e) OH



3. Answer the following questions :  $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (a) Draw phase diagram for usaturated soil and completely dry soil.
- (b) Define Consolidation.
- (c) Define relative density or density index.
- (d) What are the laboratory tests to determine shear strength of soils ?
- (e) Define Darcy's law.

PART - B

Marks - 45

- 4. (a) A soil has a void ratio of 0.85,  $S = 40\%$  and  $G = 2.7$ . Find the water content, porosity, bulk density and dry density. 10
- (b) What are the factors affecting compaction ? 5
- 5. (a) A constant head permeability test was run on a sand sample of 40 cm long and  $25 \text{ cm}^2$  in area. When the loss of head was 62 cm, the quantity of water collected in 2 min was 300 ml. Determine the co-efficient of permeability of the sample. 5

(b) Explain the constant head permeability test.

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6. (a) A moist soil sample compacted into a mould of  $1000 \text{ cm}^3$  capacity and weight 35 N. A representative sample of soil taken from it has an initial weight of 0.187 N and oven dry weight of 0.1691N. Determine :

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(i) Water content

(ii) Wet density

(iii) Dry density

(iv) Void ratio

(v) Degree of saturation.

(b) Write down the differences between consolidation and compaction.

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