

First Semester M. E. (Civil) (Geotech. Engg.) Examination

**ADVANCE SOIL MECHANICS**

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P. Pages : 2

Time : Three Hours]

[Max. Marks : 80

- Note :** (1) All questions carry equal marks.  
(2) Assume suitable data wherever necessary.  
(3) Illustrate your answer wherever necessary with the help of neat sketches.  
(4) Solve any five questions.  
(5) Use of scientific calculator is allowed.  
(6) Use pen of Blue/Black ink/refill only for writing the answer book.

1. Attempt the following :—

- (a) Discuss modified failure envelop. What are its advantages and disadvantages over the standard failure envelop ? 8  
(b) What is Mohr's circle ? Discuss its important characteristics. 8

2. Attempt the following :—

- (a) How would you determine the stresses at a point due to a strip load ? 8  
(b) Explain the vertical stress at a point due to line load. Suggest an example of line load. 8

3. Attempt the following :—

- (a) What are the assumptions that are generally made in the analysis of the stability of slopes ? What are the different types of slope failure ? 8  
(b) Differentiate between the general shear failure and local shear failure. How the ultimate bearing capacity in local shear is determined ? 8

4. Attempt the following :—

- (a) What are different types of retaining walls ? Discuss the methods for estimation of lateral earth pressure acting on the walls. 8
- (b) What are the different types of earth pressure ? Explain active earth pressure and passive earth pressure. 8

5. Attempt the following :—

- (a) Describe the methods for the design of various components of a braced cut, stating clearly the assumptions made. 8
- (b) Explain the theory of 3 dimensional consolidation. What is its practical use ? 8

6. Attempt the following :—

- (a) How would you draw the flow net when the soil is anisotropic ? 8
- (b) How would you construct the flow net in a non – homogeneous soil mass ? 8

