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**B.Tech - 7th**  
**Geotechnical Engineering-II**

Full Marks : 70

Time : 3 hours

Answer Q. No. 1 which is compulsory and  
any five from the rest

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks*

1. Answer the following questions : 2 × 10
- (a) Find the value of coefficient of earth pressure at rest for a soil having poisson's ratio( $\mu$ ) of 0.35.
  - (b) For an earthen slope with c- $\Phi$  soil, if  $i = 15^\circ$  and  $\Phi = 30^\circ$ , find the stability number ( $S_n$ ).
  - (c) Sketch the stress distribution on a vertical line at radial distance ' $r$ ' from a point load ' $Q$ '.
  - (d) Write the Brinch Hansen's general bearing capacity equation.

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- (e) What is the importance of 'influence factor' in drawing the Newmark's influence chart?
  - (f) Which slope of an earth dam should be checked immediately after construction? Justify your answer.
  - (g) What should be the spacing between bore holes for a multistoried building?
  - (h) State the effect of water table on the bearing capacity of a soil.
  - (i) Discuss Feld's rule.
  - (j) What is a failure wedge? Draw its free body diagram for a movement away from the backfill.
2. (a) Consider a circularly loaded flexible area on the ground surface. Given that the radius of the circular area is 4 m and the uniformly distributed load is  $100 \text{ kN/m}^2$ , calculate the vertical stress increase at a point located 5 m below the ground surface directly under the centre of the circular area.

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(b) Discuss the construction and use of Newmark's Influence Chart. 5

3. (a) What do you mean by active and passive earth pressures and also the earth pressure at rest? Discuss with examples. When does each type occur? Discuss with sketches. Why are retaining walls usually designed for active earth pressures? 5

(b) Fig.1 shows a 5 m high retaining wall (ABC). The wall is restrained from yielding. Calculate the lateral active earth pressure ( $P_a$ ) per unit length of the wall. Also determine the location of the resultant force. 5

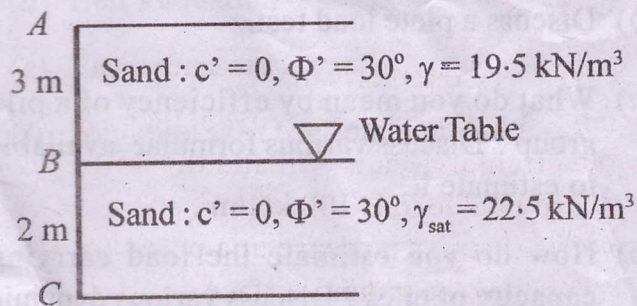


Fig. 1

4. (a) What do you mean by stability number ? How do you determine it for a cohesive soil with infinite slope ? Derive the necessary equation for the same. 5
- (b) Discuss Friction Circle method of analysis for stability of slopes for a  $c-\Phi$  soil. 5
5. (a) Derive the Rankine's analysis for determination of minimum depth of foundation in a sand deposit. If the unit weight of the sand deposit is  $20 \text{ kN/m}^3$  and the minimum depth of foundation is known to be 5 m, find the angle of internal friction of the deposit for an ultimate bearing capacity of  $1500 \text{ kN/m}^2$ . 5
- (b) Discuss a plate load test. 5
6. (a) What do you mean by efficiency of a pile group ? Discuss various formulae available to estimate it. 5
- (b) How do you estimate the load carrying capacity of piles ? Discuss various dynamic formulae. 5



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7. (a) Sketch and discuss a bore log. 3
- (b) Discuss the use of a piston sampler in subsurface exploration. 4
- (c) What do you mean by degree of disturbance as used during sample collection? For a standard split spoon sampler, what is its value? 3
8. Explain any *four* of the following in brief: 10
- (a) Active zone ✓
- (b) Depth of bore holes
- (c) Safe bearing capacity ✓
- (d) Bell's equation ✓
- (e) Earth pressure at rest
- (f) Negative skin friction in piles. ✓
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