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Program: B-Tech GSE Semester -VI

Subject (Course): Soil mechanics and Foundation Engineering
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Max. Marks: 100
Duration: 3 Hrs

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All the questions of section A B, & C are compulsory. Wherever necessary do with neat sketches.

SECTION-A $(4\times5=20 \text{ Marks})$

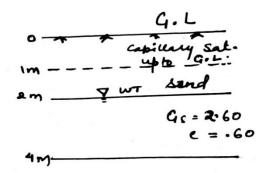
Attempt all questions

- 1) What is the difference between seepage velocity and discharge velocity?
- 2) What is seepage pressure? What happens to the effective stress if the movement of water is in the upward direction in the soil layer and why?
- 3) Differentiate between shallow and deep foundation.
- 4) Define the following terms:
 - a) exit gradient
 - b) piping failure
 - c) consolidation
 - d) hydraulic gradient
 - e) permeability

SECTION-B $(4\times10=40 \text{ Marks})$

Attempt all questions

5) For the given subsoil condition show in figure 1 what are the effective stresses value at 1 m, 2 m, and 4 m depths. Assume $\Upsilon_w = 10 \text{KN/m}^3$



- 6) What are the basic characteristics of the failure mechanism in general shear failure punching, shear failure and local shear failure.
- 7) Explain variable head permeability test and derive the expression for coefficient of permeability.
- 8) A 3.0 m square footing is located in a dense sand deposit at a depth of 2 m. (Nc=30.14,Nq=18.4,Ny=22.4)Determine the Ultimate Bearing Capacity for the following water table position: a) at ground surface b) water table at footing level. The moist Unit Weight above the water table is 17 KN/m³ and the saturated Unit Weight is 19 KN/m³.

SECTION-C $(2 \times 20 = 40 \text{ Marks})$

Attempt all questions

- 9) A 3m thick clay layer beneath a building is overlain by a permeable stratum and is underlain by an impervious rock. The coefficient of consolidation of the clay was found to be 0.025cm²/min. The final expected settlement for the layer is 8cm.
 - a) How much time will it take for 80% of the total settlement to take place.
 - b) Determine time required for a settlement of 2.5cm to occur.
 - c) Compute the settlement that would occur in 1 year.

- 10) A concrete weir (shown in fig 2) of 44m length has to retain water upto 18m above GL . The cross section of the weir is shown in fig. The foundation soil consists of a 24m thick stratum of sand having k=0.015cm/sec.
- a) Determine the quantity of seepage loss that will occur in one day, if width of the weir be 65m.
- b) Determine Exit gradient if the smallest flow channel has a length of 1.2m
- c) Determine the FOS against piping if the soil has G=2.65 and e=1.08.
- d) Determine Piezometric head and uplift pressure at points A,B and C

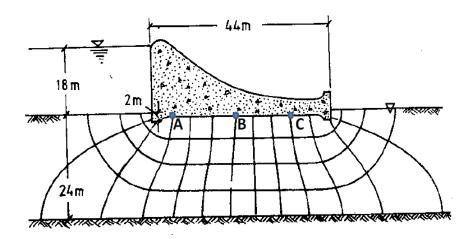


Figure 2 Flow net under a concrete dam