

B.TECH.
THEORY EXAMINATION (SEM-VIII) 2016-17
GROUND IMPROVEMENT TECHNIQUES

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

Note : Be precise in your answer. In case of numerical problem assume data wherever not provided.

SECTION - A

10 x 2 = 20

1. Explain the following:

- ✓ (a) What is soil stabilization? What are its uses?
- ✓ (b) List the field method of compaction.
- ✓ (c) Enumerate the application of vibro compaction.
- ✓ (d) What do you understand from the term in - situ densification?
- ✓ (e) Evaluate the factors affecting densification in cohesive soil.
- ✓ (f) Enumerate the advantages and disadvantages of dewatering.
- ✓ (g) Define grouting. List any two applications of grouting.
- ✓ (h) When is preloading adopted as a ground improvement technique?
- ✓ (i) Distinguish between suspension grouts and solution grout.
- ✓ (j) List the function of geo-textiles as filter.

SECTION - B

5 x 10 = 50

2. Attempt any five parts of the following questions:

- ✓ (a) Explain the principle and application of soil-lime stabilization.
- ✓ (b) Discuss about Dynamic compaction.
- ✓ (c) Describe the vibro-flotation technique of densifying granular soil.
- (d) Enumerate the advantage of using vertical drains along with preloading?
- (e) Brief on thermal stabilization of soil from heating and its application
- ✓ (i) What are the different types of Grouts available and what are its properties?
- ✓ (ii) What is the role of grouting in ground improvement?
- (f) Discuss the construction and failure mode of granular piles
- ✓ (g) What is the role of geosynthetic in protecting soil from contamination? Describe in detail.

SECTION - C

Attempt any two of the following questions:

2 x 15 = 30

- 3 (i) Describe soil-cement stabilization. What are the actions involved in soil-cement stabilization? Explain what are the factors affecting strength of soil-cement mixes?
- (ii) Explain about deep compaction of in-situ foundation soil by Terra probe compaction.
- 4 ✓ (i) Describe in detail about soil nailing and when is it adopted?
- (ii) With the help of neat sketches, explain in detail the application of geosynthetics as separation
- 5 Write the dewatering techniques used in cohesive soils with neat sketch in detail.