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**CS/B.Tech(CE)/SEM-5/CE-502/2009-10**

**2009**

**CONCRETE TECHNOLOGY**

Time Allotted : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 70

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words  
as far as practicable.*

**GROUP – A**

**( Multiple Choice Type Questions )**

1. Choose the correct alternatives for any *ten* of the following :

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- i) Workability of concrete is influenced most by its
  - a) cement concrete
  - b) aggregate-cement ratio
  - c) water-cement ratio
  - d) water content.
- ii) Compacting factor of 0.855 indicates a mix of
  - a) low workability
  - b) high workability
  - c) very low workability
  - d) medium workability.

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- vii) Gypsum is interground with cement clinker to
- increase strength of cement mortar
  - decrease consistency of cement paste
  - prevent flash setting of cement concrete
  - decrease initial setting time of cement paste.
- viii) The maximum heat of hydration per gram of individual cement compound is due to
- $C_3S$
  - $C_2S$
  - $C_3A$
  - $C_4AF$ .
- ix) For complete hydration of cement and for occupying the space in gel pores, total amount of water by weight of cement required is
- 15%
  - 23%
  - 38%
  - 50%.
- x) An admixture that slows down the process of hydration of concrete to keep it plastic for a long period is called
- retarder
  - accelerator
  - both (a) and (b)
  - none of these.



- xi) In mass concreting, the type of cement which is used is
- a) ordinary Portland cement
  - b) Portland slag cement
  - c) low heat cement
  - d) Portland Pozzolana cement.
- xii) The best view about concrete is that
- a) it is a two phase material, *i.e.* paste phase and aggregate phase
  - b) it is aggregate filling the cementing medium
  - c) it is aggregate as mini-masonry joined by mortar
  - d) it is a mixture of cement fine aggregates and coarse aggregates having the consistency of soup.
- xiii) A mixture of cement and water, in place of cement, aggregates and water cannot be considered as a building materials, because
- a) the so-called volume change will be excessively high
  - b) shrinkage will be too large
  - c) the heat of large amount of hydration may lead to cracking of the structural element
  - d) all of these causes.



**GROUP – B**

**( Short Answer Type Questions )**

Answer any *three* of the following.

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2. What are all the factors affecting workability of concrete ? Discuss.
3. What is bulking of sand ? Discuss its importance in concrete preparation.
4. Write the concept of 'maturity of concrete'.
5. What are Initial and Final setting time of cement ? What is the characteristic compressive strength of concrete ?
6. Write the relation between the characteristic compressive strength to flexural strength, modules of elasticity.
7. What do you mean by alkali aggregate reaction ? What are the factors promoting alkali aggregate reaction ? Explain.

**GROUP – C**

**( Long Answer Type Questions )**

Answer any *three* of the following.

3 × 15 = 45

8. What are the various mechanical properties of aggregates ? Discuss the tests that are conducted on aggregate to determine its properties.
9. a) What are the different tests conducted on hardened concrete ? Explain. 8
- b) What is shrinkage ? What factors promote shrinkage ? What precautions will you take to reduce it ? 7



10. What do you understand by workability of concrete ? What are the factors affecting the workability ? Explain. Describe briefly a test for its *in-situ* determination. What should be the values of observation from this test for concrete used for different purposes ?
11. Write short notes on the following : 3 × 5
- a) Surface hardness test
  - b) Mix design of concrete
  - c) Setting time of cement.
12. a) What is Fiber reinforced concrete ? State different types of fibre reinforced concrete and its application in detail. 7
- b) Define admixtures and state its application. What are the different types of admixtures ? Explain any one. 8
13. a) Explain how Portland Pozzolana cement and super sulphated cement differ from ordinary Portland cement and the specific circumstances in which these cements would be used. 8
- b) Explain in detail about light weight concrete. 7



14. a) Briefly state the alkali aggregate reaction. 6
- b) Elaborate the ultrasonic pulse testing method of determining the strength of the concrete. 6
- c) What is non-destructive test of concrete ? 3
15. a) Distinguish between retarders and accelerators. Under what circumstances are they used ?
- b) Give one example each of accelerator, retarder, plasticiser and superplasticiser.
- c) What do you mean by flaky and elongated aggregate ?

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