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**4th Sem / Branch : Civil Engineering**  
**Sub.: Soil Mechanics & Foundation Engineering**

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**SECTION-A**

**Note:** Multiple choice questions. All questions are compulsory (10x1=10)

- Q.1 Transporting and re-depositing soils is done by  
a) Wind                                      b) Water  
c) Glacier                                    d) All of the above
- Q.2 Black cotton soil chiefly contains clay mineral  
a) Illite                                        b) Kaolinite  
c) Montmorillonite                        d) None of these
- Q.3 The fundamental equation of Void ratio (e) Specific gravity (G) Water content (w) and Degree of saturation (S) is  
a)  $e = wGS$                                       b)  $e = wG/S$   
c)  $G = ew/S$                                       d)  $S = ew/G$
- Q.4 Maximum size of clay particles is  
a) 0.002 mm                                    b) 0.04 mm  
c) 0.06 mm                                      d) 0.001 mm
- Q.5 Falling head permeability test is preferable when soil sample is  
a) Clayey                                        b) Sandy gravels  
c) Sandy                                         d) Silty sand

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- Q.6 Effective stress is also known as  
a) Principal stress                          b) Pore pressure  
c) Intergranular                            d) None of these
- Q.7 Vane shear test is used for  
a) Sand                                         b) Silt  
c) Moderate clay                            d) Soft & Sensitive clay
- Q.8 Core cutter method is suitable only for  
a) Sand                                         b) Soft cohesive soils  
c) None of the above                        d) All types of soils
- Q.9 For  $\phi = 0$  case,  $N_c$  value according to Terzaghi is  
a) 9.5    b) 5.14  
c) 5.7    d) 5.52
- Q.10 Area ratio should be  
a) Less than 5%                                b) Less than 10%  
c) More than 5%                                d) More than 10%

**SECTION-B**

**Note:** Objective type questions. All questions are compulsory. (10x1=10)

- Q.11 \_\_\_\_\_ pioneered the concept of Soil Mechanics.
- Q.12 The black cotton soil is an example of \_\_\_\_\_ soil.
- Q.13 For determining water content, temperature of oven is maintained at \_\_\_\_\_.
- Q.14 To determine coefficient of permeability \_\_\_\_\_ tests are more accurate.
- Q.15 Darcy's law is valid for \_\_\_\_\_ type of flow.
- Q.16 Quick condition does not occur in \_\_\_\_\_ deposits.
- Q.17 The compression of saturated soil due to expulsion of water is called \_\_\_\_\_.

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- Q.18 In direct shear test, the measurement of pore water pressure is \_\_\_\_\_.
- Q.19 Sheep foot rollers are suitable for compacting \_\_\_\_\_ soils.
- Q.20 Terzaghi's analysis is valid for \_\_\_\_\_ foundation.

### SECTION-C

- Note:** Short answer type questions. Attempt any twelve questions out of fifteen questions. (12x5=60)
- Q.21 How soil is formed? Explain the process of physical disintegration and chemical decomposition of rocks.
- Q.22 A fully saturated clayey sample has a volume of 185 cc and weight of 331g. If the specific gravity of soil is 2.67, find out, (i) Void ratio (ii) Porosity (iii) Water content (iv) Unit weight (bulk).
- Q.23 Write a note on plasticity chart.
- Q.24 Define Darcy's law. What are its limitations?
- Q.25 a) Define total stress, effective stress and neutral stress acting on a soil mass  
b) What is the importance of effective stress in engineering problems?
- Q.26 Explain the principle of consolidation with the help of soil spring analogy.
- Q.27 State the advantages and disadvantages of direct shear test.
- Q.28 Define compaction. What is the difference between compaction and consolidation?
- Q.29 Define Isobar and pressure bulb.
- Q.30 Define area ratio and recovery ratio. What is their engineering importance?

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- Q.31 Define well foundation. Explain its necessity.
- Q.32 Define disturbed and undisturbed samples. State their significance.
- Q.33 Discuss the methods of improving bearing capacity of soils.
- Q.34 In a constant head permeameter, the following observations were taken  
Constant head = 6cm  
Diameter of test sample = 10 cm  
Quantity of water collected = 350 ml  
Duration of the test = 270 sec.  
Length of sample = 10cm  
Calculate the coefficient of permeability of the soil
- Q.35 Calculate void ratio and porosity of a saturated soil sample having water content of 40% Take  $G = 2.7$ .

### SECTION-D

- Note:** Long answer type questions. Attempt any two questions out of three questions. (2x10=20)
- Q.36 (a) Give concept of shallow & deep foundation  
(b) Explain types of shallow foundations with diagram
- Q.37 Explain the Standard Proctor Test used for determining the optimum Moisture content and maximum dry density of soil under normal Compaction.
- Q.38 Explain the plate load test to find out ultimate bearing capacity of soils. State its limitations.

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