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Q.No.	Answer	Marks
1	Attempt any Ten	2x10=20
a)	Civil engineering is the branch of engineering which deals with the planning, designing,	
	estimating, execution and maintenance of various structures like building, road, railways,	2 M
	airports, dams, canals, tunnels, bridges, docks, harbours, water supply and sanitary units etc.	
<b>b</b> )	The basic areas in civil engineering are as follows:-	
	• Surveying	ANY
	Transportation Engineering	FOUR
	Fluid Mechanics	POINTS
	Irrigation Engineering	½ X 4 =
	Structural Engineering	2 M
	Geo-technical Engineering	
	Foundation Engineering	
	Environmental Engineering	
	Quantity Surveying	
	Earthquake Engineering	
	Infrastructure Development	
	Construction Engineering	
<b>c</b> )	Igneous Rock: At the time of volcanic eruptions, molten mass called as magma forcedly	2 M
	comes up on the surface of earth at high temperature. After cooling down this molten mass;	
	it becomes solid mass which is called as igneous rock.	
d)	Properties of bitumen :	
,	It is mostly available in solid or semi-solid state	ANY
	• It is completely soluble in carbon-disulphide (CS <sub>2</sub> )	TWO
	It is black or brownish black in colour.	POINTS
	It has adhesive properties when comes in contact with heat.	½ X 2 =
	When heated, it undergoes melting and gives distinctive odour.	1 M
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Q.No.	Answer	Marks
	Uses of Bitumen :	ANY
	Bitumen emulsion can be used as stabilizing agents.	TWO
	Blown bitumen can be used as roofing and damp-proofing flets.	POINTS
	Blown bitumen can also used in the manufacture of pipe asphalt and joint filers.	½ X 2 =
	Plastic bitumen is used for filling cracks in masonry structure for stopping leakages.	1 M
	Cut-back bitumen can be applied cold as bitumen paints.	
	Bitumen is also extensively used for constructing different bituminous road pavements.	
	It is also used as a stabilizer for constructing stabilized earth road.	
e)	<b>Dressing of Stone</b> : The process of giving required shape and size to the quarry stone, to improve the appearance of stone surface, with the help of tools is called as dressing of stone.	2 M
f)	Major ingredients of cement are basically of two types	
	1. Calcareous (Lime)	
	• Chalk	ANY
	Sedimentry Limestone	TWO
	Metamorphic Limestone	POINTS
	Carbonatite	½ X 2 =
	• Marl	1 M
	Alkali Wastes	
	2. Argillaceous (Alumina, Silica)	
	• Clay	ANY
	• Slate	TWO
	• Shell	POINTS
	Cement rock	½ X 2 =
	Gypsum	1 M



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Q.No.	Answer	Marks
g)	Artificial wood for	
	i) Notice boards – <b>Particle board</b>	1 M
	ii) Furniture in hotels – Plywood or Nuwood or Rubberwood	1 M
h)	<b>Jute fiber</b> : Jute is a long, soft, shiny vegetable fiber or the rough fiber made from the stems	1 M
	of a tropical plant that can be span into coarse strong threads. It is one of the cheapest natural	Any 2
	fibers.	Uses
	Used for making twine, rope, matting, for plumbing work to stop leakage, packing and	½ X 2 =
	making fabrics.	1M
i)	Brand names of water proofing materials	
	• Dr. Fixit	ANY
	• Roff	FOUR
	• Sika	POINTS
	Basf India Ltd	½ X 4 =
	• Impermo	2 M
	Water Seal	
	Krishna Conchem	
	Sunanda Chemical	
	• Ridex, Etc.	
j)	<b>Damp-proofing</b> : Damp proofing is a treatment given to the building components during construction to prevent entry of moisture.	1 M
	Water-proofing: In building construction, mortar brick, stone and concrete are having	
	tendency to get deterioted due to passage of time. Due to which cracks and pores are formed	1 M
	in this material and water leakage occurs. This leakage of water is stopped by using special	
	materials called as water proofing materials.	



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Q.No.	Answer	Marks
k)	Standard dimensions of :	
	i) Conventional brick: 230mm X 114mm X 75mm	1 M
	ii) Standard / Modular Brick: 190mm X 90mm X 90mm	1 M
1)	Properties of Blast furnace slag:	
	Good abrasion resistance	ANY
	Good soundness characteristics	TWO
	High bearing strength	1 X 2 =
	Low thermal conductivities	2 M
m)	Rice Husk: The hard protecting coverings of grains of rice is known as rice husk.	1 M
	Uses as Construction materials	Any 2
	In manufacturing of bricks	Uses
	In thermal insulation of building, rice husk can be used.	½ X 2 =
	• The ash produced after the husk has been burned is high in silica, which is used in	1M
	production of aggregates and fillers for concrete and board.	
	Used in generation of heat energy, steam energy and electricity generation.	
n)	Environmental Engineering: It is a branch or basic area of the civil engineering, which	2 M
	deals with water supply, disposal of waste water from domestic and industrial use and	
	environmental pollution control including sensible use of land, water and air.	
2	Attempt any four	4x4 =16
a)	Criteria for selection of Construction material by civil engineer	
	i) Load taking capacity or design load	ANY
	ii) Serviceability of material	FOUR
	iii) Aesthetically pleasing	POINTS
	iv) Economy and availability of material	1 X 4 =
	v) Environmental friendly material	4 M
	Note: Only Point if written ½ mark each and respective explanation ½ mark	



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Q.No.	Answer	Marks			
b)	Role of building construction in civil engineering  Building Construction is described as the commercial activity including the creation,				
	modification, renovation and destruction of building and structures				
	Civil engineers visit field for surveying, site investigation or construction inspection or				
	supervision				
	They are also involved in laboratory testing for condition of soil and construction material				
	Civil engineers are involved in the planning, design, construction and maintenance of building	4 M			
	Their work is not limited to planning and designing, they also prepare property description,				
	deed, final cost estimates.				
c)	Quarrying of stone: The process of removing the stone from the natural rock bed is called as	1 M			
	quarrying of stone.	1 1/1			
	Methods of quarrying	ANY			
	i) Digging	THREE			
	ii) Heating	POINTS			
	iii) Wedging	1 X 3 =			
	iv) Blasting	3 M			
	<b>Note:</b> Only Point if written ½ mark each and respective explanation ½ mark				
d)	Timber: The different components of the cross-section should be shown in fig.				
	i) Outer bark Sap wood Medullary rays	Fig.			
	11) Inner bark	2 M			
	iii) Cambium layer				
	iv) Sap wood  Inner bark	ANY			
	v) Heart wood	FOUR			
	vi) Medullary rays	POINTS			
	vii)Pith or medulla.	½ X4=			
	Properties of heart wood	2 M			
	i) Strength				



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Q.No		Mark				
•	Answer	S				
	ii) Fire resistance					
	iii) Durability					
	iv) Weather resistance					
	v) Elasticity					
	vi) Toughness and abrasion					
	vii) Workability					
	viii) Physical properties like, pleasant appearance, dark colour, straight fibers, etc					
	ix) Hardness					
e)	Bituminous Materials: The substance which primarily consist of bitumen or contain a large					
	proportion of bitumen are known as bituminous materials.					
	i) Bitumen	ANY				
	ii) Asphalt	FOUR				
	iii) Tar	POINTS  ½ X 4				
	iv) Emulsion					
	v) Cutback					
	vi) Road oil					
	vii) Primers					
	viii) Water proofing materials based on bitumens and tar binders					
	Explanation of any one point with definition and properties	2.4				
		2 M				
f)	Neat sketches should be drawn with proper patterns					
	BHILLIAN BELLEVILLE BE					
		ANY				
		FOUR				
		POINTS				
	Superilidous storie	1 X 4 =				
	Hammer Dressing Chisel Dressing Pitched face dressing					
		4 M				



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Q.No Answer Marks Rough tooled dressing **Punched dressing** Vermiculated dressing **Reticulated dressing Picked dressing** 4x4 = 16Attempt any four 3 The procedure for manufacturing of lime is basically divided in three steps a) 1 M i) Collection of limestone or kankar 1 M ii) Calcinations of limestone or kankar Any one a) Clamps process b) Intermittent kilns 1 M c) Continuous kilns 1 M iii) Slaking and grinding of burnt lime or kankar Note: Only Point if written ½ mark each and respective explanation ½ mark Soil: Mixture of mineral and rock, derived from chemical and mechanical weathering of b) rock. **OR** The upper surface of earth or the earth crust containing loose material, with anyone 1 M or mixture of clays and gravel, pebbles etc. **OR** Part of earth surface which supports, sustains and nourishes plants. Suitability of: 1 M **Sand:** for making mortar and concrete and used in finishing works etc. 1 M **Silt:** for foundation but required compaction due to its low cohesion etc. 1 M **Clay:** for embankment fills, retaining pond beds etc.



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Q.No.	Answer	Marks
c)	Procedure for field slacking of lime for plaster or white-washing	
	When three parts of quicklime is mixed with one part of water, it absorbs water, and soon	
	begins to burst and swell with evolution of heat which brings the entire mass to boil by a	
	hissing sound and is crumbled, to an excessively fine, dry white powder.	
	This effect is due to chemical reaction between lime and water. The resulting product is a	4 M
	suspension of finely divided calcium hydroxide in water which is known as 'slaked lime'	
	On cooling, the slaked lime, in the form of semi-fluid mass stiffens and its use become	
	valuable in masonry work because of its high degree of plasticity or workability it impart to	
	the mortar.	
d)	Constituent of brick clay	
ŕ	i) Useful constituents	
	Alumina	2 M for
	Silica	any four
	Lime	points
	Iron oxide	
	Magnesia	
	Potash and soda	
	ii) Harmful constituents	
	Lime stone and kankar Nodules	2 M for
	Alkalis	any four
	Iron pyrites	points
	Pebbles of stone and gravel	points
	Organic matter or vegetation	
e)	Field test on bricks	
•	Strength and durability or crushing strength	
	Shape and size or dimensional stability	ANY
	Colour test	FOUR
	Soundness test	1 3010



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Q.No.	Answer		
	Hardness test	POINTS	
	Water absorption test	1 X 4 =	
	• Porosity	4 M	
	Efflorescence test		
	Impact test		
	<b>Note:</b> Only Point if written ½ mark each and respective explanation ½ mark		
f)	Importance of flooring tiles in building:		
	They provide hard and plane surface.	Any 2	
	They act as a damp proofing and water proofing material	points	
	They are scratch proof and stain proof so easy to maintain	½ X 2 =	
	They are anti-slip so provide stable workable space etc	1 M	
	Name of Flooring tiles		
	<ul> <li>Burnt clay tiles</li> <li>Plastic tiles</li> </ul>	Any 2	
	<ul> <li>Ceramic tiles</li> <li>Terrazo tiles</li> </ul>	points  ½ X 2 =	
	<ul> <li>Mosaic tiles</li> <li>Glass tiles</li> </ul>	1 M	
	• Concrete tiles • Glazed tiles	1 141	
	Importance of Roofing tiles in building:	Any 2	
	They provide covering top of building	points	
	They act as a water proofing material in rainy season	½ X 2 =	
	They are scratch proof and stain proof so easy to maintain	1 M	
	• They are available in many variants so increase the appearance of building. Etc		
	Name of flooring tiles.		
	Manglore tiles	Any 2	
	Allahabad tiles	points	
	Ranigunj tiles	½ X 2 =	
	Country roofing tiles etc	1 M	



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Two)

½ Mark

(Any

Two)

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Q.No.	Answer	Marks
Q.4	Attempt any Four	
a)	Properties of Glass:	
	1. Glass is hard weather resistant and brittle material.	1 Mark
	2. Glass is unaffected by atmosphere.	each
	3. It has good sound insulation property.	(Any
	4. Glass tends to absorb infra-red radiation so that corresponding heat transmission reduces.	Four)
	5. It has good thermal resistant property as it restricts the flow of heat.	
b)	Making Panel Walls or Partition Walls: - Chipped and ground Glass	1 Mark
	2. Sky Light of Roof: - Rolled Figured Glass or Clear Window Glass	1 Mark
	3. Jewellery Store or Cashier Booth:- Polished Plate Glass.	1 Mark
	4:- Laboratory Apparatus:- Moulded Glass	1 Mark
c)	Common Field Test on Cement with Respect to:	1 Mark
	1. Lumps:- Cement should be free from lumps.	1 Mark
	2. Colour:- Cement should be gray in colour.	1 Mark
	3. <b>Hand Feeling:</b> - Whenever hand is inserted in cement bag it should feel cool.	1 Mark
	4. Water Float: - Cement should float on water.	
d)	<b>Define:</b> - Granular mineral material (such as sand, gravel, crushed stone) used with a	2
	bonding medium (such as cement or clay) to make concrete, plaster, or terrazzo mixture.	(Marks)
	Property of fine aggregate :-	
	1. Aggregates should be well graded	½ Mark
	2. Silt content should not be more than 5%	(Any

3. Percentage of bulking should not be more than 20%.

3. Water Absorption should be as low as possible.

1 the size of coarse aggregate should be from 4.75 to 80mm

2. the surface texture of aggregate should be smooth or rough.

Property of Coarse aggregate:-



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A mtif	isial Timbon bagad products	
Plywo	icial Timber based product:-	
	Plywood are formed by gluing together thin sheet of odd number veneers.	
2)		2
2)	each other.	Marks
3)	The outer plies are decorative in nature and are called face plies and the inner ones	(Any
	are called cross bands.	Four
4)	Arranging plies in layers which are right angled to one another advantages such as	Points
1)	strength of sheet in both directions is same and shrinkage is less.	Tomes
5)	Plywood is light weight.	
	It is resistant to cracking	
	It is available in many sizes.	
	Movement due to change in moisture is negligible.	
0)	The vertical data to classify in motional is negligible.	
Partic	ele Boards:-	
1.	They are obtained from low grade wood are randomly mixed with strong adhesives	
	and are compressed together under high pressure to form particle board.	2
2.	Particle board is much weaker than plywood, because adhesive joint between the	Marks
	individual chips involve end grain surface.	
3.	In particle board movement is randomly oriented in all direction and restraint is	
	dependent on strength and concentration of adhesives.	



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1 Mark

Each (Any Four)

2

Marks

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Artificial Sand		Natural Sand	
1.	Strength of concrete increases	1.	Strength of concrete is less than
	by using artificial sand than by		artificial sand.
	using natural sand.		
2.	Artificial sand does not contain	2	As they are obtained from
	any silt contain.		river bed high percentage of
			Silt is obtained.
3.	Use of artificial sand does not	3	Use of natural affects
	affects environment.		Environment.
4.	Sieving is not required in case	4	Sieving is required in case of
	of artificial sand.		Natural sand.
5.	Washing is not required for	5	As they are obtained from
	artificial sand thus saves labour		river bed hence washing is
	cost.		required thus increases the
			Labour cost.

### Q.5 **Attempt any Four**

a) 1. Steel Fibre

teel Fibre 2

Marks

3. Polypropylene Fibres

2. Synthetic Fibre

4. Structural Synthetic Fibre

#### Application:-

1. **Steel Fibre**:- Used for Industrial Floor & Pavements

2. **Synthetic Fibre**:- Used concrete ground floor-slabs

3. Polypropylene Fibres :- Used in Concrete Operation

4. **Structural Synthetic Fibre:-** Used for manufacturing of Pipes.



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b)	Prope	erties of Ceramic Materials :	
	1.	Ceramic Material should be uniform in shape and size.	2
	2.	They should be free from cracks and other impurities.	Marks
	3.	Ceramic material should possess high strength.	(Any
	4.	Ceramic material should possess good weather resisting property.	Four)
	5.	Ceramic material should possess uniform texture.	
	6.	Ceramic material are solid and inert.	
	7.	Ceramic material are weak in shearing.	
	Uses	of Ceramic Material:	2
	1.	They can be used for flooring.	Marks
	2.	They can be used for decorative purpose in the interior parts of building.	
	3.	They are used in medical labs for making artificial teeth.	
	4.	They are used in preparing artificial moulds.	
c)	1.	Water Leakages in Slab: - Injection Sealing or Grouting.	
	2.	Building to save from white ants:- Use of Insect Pests.	1 Mark
	3.	To reduce unwanted heat:-To use Reflective Glass	Each.
	4.	To reduce noise in particular area:- Sound Absorbing Material	
d)	Needs	s of Termite Proofing :-	
	1.	Foundation will not get damaged.	2
	2.	Furniture will not get damaged.	Marks
	3.	Doors and windows will not get affected.	
	4.	Concrete will not get damaged.	
	Need	of Sound Insulating Material:	
	1.	It absorbs sound up to certain limit in required areas.	
	2.	Sound insulation is carried out to minimize the indoor/outdoor noise.	2
	3.	It reduces the echoes inside the room.	Marks
	4.	It reduces the reverberation of sound.	



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Therr	nal Insulating Material:-	
1.	The thermal insulating material is used to conserve a constant heat or temperature	2
	inside the building, irrespective of the temperature changes outside.	Marks
2.	The exchange of heat is controlled by using thermal insulating material.	
Prope	erties of Good Thermal Insulating Material:	
1.	Thermal Insulating Material keeps the room cool in summer and warm in winter.	
2.	Thermal Insulating material prevents the condensation on interior walls, ceilings,	2
	windows etc.	Marks
3.	Thermal Insulating material prevents freezing of water in pipes during winter.	
4.	Thermal Insulating material prevents heat loss in case of hot water system during	
	summer.	
Prope	erties of Geo Synthetic Material :-	
1.	Geo synthetic material provides erosion control.	2
2.	Geo grids are either stretched in one or two directions for improved physical	Marks
	properties.	
3.	Geo nets are used in drainage area where they are used to convey liquids of all	
	types.	
4.	Geo Membrane provides liquid barrier and vapour barrier.	
Uses o	of Geo-Synthetic Material:-	
1.	They are used to improve property of soil.	2
2.	They are used to reduce lateral movement of soil particle in foundation.	Marks
2	They are used to control water pressure in soil.	
3.	They are used to control water prossure in some	



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Q6.	Attempt any Four	
a)	Ingredients of Good Mortar:-	
	1. Clean and dry sand should be used.	2
	2. Cement should be free from lumps.	Marks
	3. Sand be sieved properly and then should be used whenever required.	
	4. Water cement ratio should be maintained.	
	5. Aggregates of required size and shape should be used.	
	Deciding the quality of good Mortar:-	
	1. It should have uniform colour.	
	2. It should give homogenous mix.	2
	3. Segregation should not be observed.	Marks
	4. Bleeding should be observed.	
b)	Define :-	
	1. A white powder that sets to a hard solid when mixed with water, used for making	2
	sculptures and casts, as an additive for lime plasters, and for making casts for setting	Marks
	broken limbs.	
	Properties of Plaster of Paris:-	
	1. Whenever water is added in plaster it sets immediately.	
	2. It makes the surface smooth.	2
	3. It is water resistant.	Marks
	4. It can be moulded in any desire shape and size.	
c)	1. To give brilliant silvery shining:- Aluminium Paint.	1 Mark
	2. External Plastered Brick Work:- Cement Paint.	Each
	3. Show rooms & Offices:- Plastic Paints.	
	4. Wooden Surfaces:- Turpentine Varnishes.	



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d) Agro & Industrial Waste as a Construction Material: 1. It can be used in manufacturing of bricks. 1 Mark 2. It can be used in making bio- fuel & Paper. Each 3. It can be used in generation of steam energy and electricity generation. (Any 4. It can be used for renewable energy sources. Four) 5. It can be used for binding clay and concrete. 6. It can be used for stabilization of soft soil. 7. It can be used as an aggregate substitute material. 8. It can be used for road sub base construction. e) Application of construction waste:-1. They are used for Pavement filling. 2. They are used for Plinth filling. 3. They can be use as low grade fresh concrete Marks 4. Use such concrete in casting conventional type of bricks and using them in place of (Any Four) burnt clay bricks. 5. Highway construction for casting curve, chute drain, median drain and side drain components of highway 6. Making benches for park and pedestrian paths etc. What is Fly Ash:f) 1. Fly ash is the finely divided residue that results from the combustion of pulverized coal and is transported from the combustion chamber by exhaust gases 2. Fly ash is produced by coal-fired electric and steam generating plants. 3. Typically, coal is pulverized and blown with air into the boiler's combustion Marks chamber where it immediately ignites, generating heat and producing a molten mineral residue. Boiler tubes extract heat from the boiler, cooling the flue gas and causing the molten mineral residue to harden and form ash.



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#### **Properties of Fly Ash:-**

1. **Fineness:** The fineness of fly ash is important because it affects the rate of pozzolanic activity and the workability of the concrete.

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2. **Specific gravity:** Although specific gravity does not directly affect concrete quality, it has value in identifying changes in other fly ash characteristics.

Marks

- 3. **Chemical composition:** The reactive aluminosilicate and calcium aluminosilicate components of fly ash are routinely represented in their oxide nomenclatures such as silicon dioxide, aluminium oxide and calcium oxide.
- 4. **Carbon content:-** It can range up to five percent per AASHTO and six percent per ASTM. The unburned carbon can absorb air entraining admixtures (AEAs) and increase water requirements

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