

## Foundation Engineering

**Year: III**

**Semester: II**

Teaching Schedule Hours/week				Examination Scheme						Total Marks
				Final				Internal Assessments		
				Theory		Practical		Theory	Practical	
Cr.	L	T	P	Duration	Marks	Duration	Marks			
3	3	3	-	3	60	-	-	40	-	100

### Course objective:

The objective of this course is to provide the basic knowledge, concept and introduction of tools that can be used to determine soil structure interaction. This course includes a review of principles of soil mechanics and deal with a variety of foundations and retaining walls.

### Course Contents:

#### 1.0 Introduction

**(1 hrs)**

- 1.1 Foundation Engineering, Importance and Purpose.
- 1.2 Soil/foundation interaction
- 1.3 Function of foundation and its types
- 1.4 Factors influencing the choice of a foundation

#### 2.0 Site Investigation

**(5 hrs)**

- 2.1 Objectives, stages and methods of site investigation
- 2.2 Sampling of soils, samplers, sample area
- 2.3 Field measurement of consistency and relative density
- 2.4 Plate loads test, Penetration Test (SPT, DCPT, SCPT), In-situ permeability test
- 2.5 Ground water observation
- 2.6 Bore Hole logs
- 2.7 Preservation, transportation and storage of samples
- 2.8 Laboratory tests on soils
- 2.9 Preparation of site investigation reports

#### 3.0 Earth pressure and Retaining Structures

**(9 hrs)**

- 3.1 Definition and Types of earth pressure
- 3.2 Steady state equilibrium and earth pressure at elastic and plastic equilibrium
- 3.3 Active and passive conditions
- 3.4 Modified failure envelope of line
- 3.5 Rankine state of plastic equilibrium
- 3.6 Strains associated with Rankine's states
- 3.7 Local state of plastic equilibrium, deformation and boundary conditions
- 3.8 Rankine's earth pressure theory
- 3.9 Active earth pressure on cohesion less backfill
- 3.10 Active and passive earth pressure on backfill
- 3.11 Active thrust by trial wedges and limitations of the method
- 3.12 Influence of wall friction
- 3.13 Coulomb's earth pressure theory and its graphical solution
- 3.14 Limitations of Coulomb's wedge theory
- 3.15 Selection of soil parameters for earth pressure computations
- 3.16 Stability analysis of an earth retaining structure

- 4.0 Arching in Soils and Braced Cuts (3hrs)**
- 4.1 Arching in Soils and practical application
  - 4.2 Braced Excavation
  - 4.3 Earth pressure against Bracings in Cuts
  - 4.4 Strut Loads
- 5.0 Bearing capacity and Settlement of Shallow Foundations (7 hrs)**
- 5.1 Types of failures
  - 5.2 Types of bearing capacity, and influencing factors
  - 5.3 Pauker, Rankine, Bells theories, Prandtl's theory
  - 5.4 Modes of foundation failure
  - 5.5 Terzaghi's general bearing capacity theory
  - 5.6 Effects of water table on bearing capacity
  - 5.7 Extension of Terzaghi's theory (Meyerhof, Hanson and Vesic Theory)
  - 5.8 Introduction to recent bearing capacity theories
  - 5.9 Ultimate bearing capacity of cohesion less and cohesive soils
  - 5.10 Types of settlement and their relationship
  - 5.11 Calculation of bearing capacity based on settlement
  - 5.12 Limitations of the methods for predicting settlement
  - 5.13 Bearing capacity from In-situ tests (Plate Load Test)
  - 5.14 Allowable settlement and Allowable bearing Pressure
  - 5.15 Steps involved in the Proportioning of Footings for uniform settlement
  - 5.16 Ultimate bearing capacity on layered soil
    - 5.16.1 Foundation on layered sand (dense sand over loose sand)
    - 5.16.2 Foundation on dense sand overlying soft clay
- 6.0 Mat Foundations (3 hrs)**
- 6.1 Types of mat foundation and their uses
  - 6.2 Bearing capacity and settlement of mat foundation
  - 6.3 Design of mat foundation in sand and clay
  - 6.4 Compensated Foundation
  - 6.5 Analysis of Mat Foundation
  - 6.6 Construction of mat foundations
- 7.0 Pile Foundation (6 hrs)**
- 7.1 Classification of piles, advantages and disadvantages
  - 7.2 Factors affecting Pile selection
  - 7.3 Soil-pile interaction
  - 7.4 Load Carrying capacity of piles in clay and sand
  - 7.5 Pile driving formulae
  - 7.6 Group action of pile
  - 7.7 Bearing capacity and settlement of pile group
  - 7.8 Negative skin friction
  - 7.9 Piles resisting uplift
  - 7.10 Piles resistance under the action of inclined loading
  - 7.11 Pile load test
  - 7.12 Construction of pile foundation
  - 7.13 Damage, alignment and effect of pile driving

- 8.0 Pier Foundations (2 hrs)**
- 8.1 Function of piers and their types
  - 8.2 Bearing capacity and settlement of piers
  - 8.3 Skin friction on pier shafts
  - 8.4 Design of piers in sand and clay
  - 8.5 Construction of pier foundations
- 9.0 Well or caisson Foundation (2 hrs)**
- 9.1 Use of caisson foundation and their types
  - 9.2 Bearing capacity of caissons in sand and clay
  - 9.3 Design of caissons
  - 9.4 Sinking of caissons
- 10.0 Sheet piles and coffer Dams (5 hrs)**
- 10.1 Common types of sheet piles and their uses
  - 10.2 Classification of sheet piled walls
  - 10.3 Design of Cantilever and Anchored sheet piled walls
  - 10.4 Construction of sheet piled walls
  - 10.5 Common types of coffer dams and their uses
  - 10.6 Design of braced coffer dams
  - 10.7 Construction of braced coffer dams
- 11.0 Geo-technical processes (2 hrs)**
- 11.1 Ground water in excavation and methods of its control
  - 11.2 Foundation Soil stabilization (mechanical compaction, dynamic compaction, preloading, sand compaction piles and stone column, soil stabilization by use of admixtures, soil stabilization by use of grouts)
  - 11.3 Underpinning
  - 11.4 Machine Foundation

**Field Visit:**

One day local site visit based on site investigation project and each student to prepare a brief report on the basis of prescribed data-format.

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