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B TECH
(SEM V) THEORY EXAMINATION 2019-20
GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

Time: 3 Hours

Total Marks: 70

Notes:

- Attempt all Sections.
- Assume any missing data.

SECTION A

1. Attempt all questions in brief.

2 x 7 = 14

a.	Explain index properties of soil.
b.	What are the basic structural units of clay minerals?
c.	List the factors affecting permeability of soils.
d.	Define critical gradient.
e.	Differentiate between compression index and expansion index
f.	What are different types of slope failure?
g.	Describe various types of pile foundation.

SECTION B

2. Attempt any three of the following:

7 x 3 = 21

a.	Prove that dry unit weight of soil $\gamma_d = \frac{(1 - n_a)G\gamma_w}{1 + e}$
b.	Explain flow nets. Describe its properties and its applications.
c.	A normally consolidated clay layer of 10m thickness has a unit weight of 20 kN/m ² and specific gravity of 2.72. The liquid limit of the clay is 58%. A structure constructed on the clay increases the overburden pressure by 10%. Estimate the consolidation settlement.
d.	Describe the unconfined compression test? What is its advantage over a triaxial test?
e.	Using Terzaghi's theory, determine the ultimate bearing capacity of a strip footing 1.5 m wide resting on a saturated clay ($c_u = 30 \text{ kN/m}^2$, $\phi_u = 0$ and $\gamma_{sat} = 20 \text{ kN/m}^3$), at a depth of 2 m below ground level. The water table is also at a depth of 2m from the ground level. If the water table rises by 1 m, calculate the percentage reduction in the ultimate bearing capacity.

SECTION C

3. Attempt any one part of the following:

7 x 1 = 7

(a)	Saturated clay has a water content of 39.3% and a mass specific gravity of 1.84. Determine the void ratio and the specific gravity of soil solids.
(b)	The liquid limit of clay is 64% and its plastic limit is 34%. Its natural water is 48%. What is the liquidity index of the soil? How do you classify the soil as per the IS classification?

