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II B. Tech I Semester (R09) Supplementary Examinations, May 2012 **BUILDING MATERIALS & CONSTRUCTION** (Civil Engineering)

Time: 3 hours

Max Marks: 70

Answer any FIVE questions All questions carry equal marks

- 1 Describe the characteristics of good building stones.
- 2 (a) Explain what is meant by the terms ceramics and clay.
 - (b) What are the characteristics of a good tile?
- 3 How the tensile strength of cement is determined in laboratory?
- (a) What is meant by decay of timber? What are its causes? 4
 - (b) What are the objects of preservation of timber? State the requirement of a good preservative.
- 5 (a) Describe the different forms of rubble masonry.
 - (b) Describe various types of joints which are employed to secure the stones with each other.

- Explain various types of foundations used for building with neat sketches. 6
- (a) What is a step? Mention its different types. 7
 - (b) What are moving stairs? Discuss them in detail.
- 8 (a) Explain various causes of dampness in buildings.
 - (b) What are ill effects of dampness in buildings? Mary!