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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES :

1. **SECTION-A is COMPULSORY** consisting of **TEN** questions carrying **TWO** marks each.
2. **SECTION-B** contains **FIVE** questions carrying **FIVE** marks each and students have to attempt any **FOUR** questions.
3. **SECTION-C** contains **THREE** questions carrying **TEN** marks each and students have to attempt any **TWO** questions.

SECTION-A

Q1. Answer briefly :

- a) Define zero air void line?
- b) Draw a typical consolidation curve for laboratory consolidation test on undisturbed soil samples.
- c) Distinguish between seepage and discharge velocities through soil.
- d) How do we determine specific gravity of soil using pycnometer?
- e) What do you mean by steady and unsteady flow?
- f) Differentiate between Standard Proctor and Modified Proctor Test.
- g) What is passive earth pressure?
- h) Define plasticity index.
- i) Cohesionless soils are best suited as backfill material, why?
- j) Distinguish between normally consolidated and over-consolidated soils.

SECTION-B

- Q2) Enumerate the advantages and limitations of tri-axial shear strength tests.
- Q3) Give general engineering properties of different types of soils classified according to Indian standard classification system.
- Q4) Give the structure and characteristics of montmorillonite clay minerals.
- Q5) In a lab, the consolidation test was performed on a specimen of clay 3 cm thick. The sample was drained at top and bottom. The time required for 50% consolidation of the sample was observed to be 15 minutes. Determine the coefficient of consolidation of clay.
- Q6) What are the various methods for obtaining flow nets?

SECTION-C

- Q7) A retaining wall with smooth back having 6m high retains a cohesionless soil. The top 4m soil has unit wt of 1.8g/cc and bottom 2m has unit wt of 2.1g/cc. Take angle of internal friction for both soil is 30°. Calculate and plot active and passive earth pressure, also find out point of application.
- Q8) Obtain the differential equation defining the one – dimensional consolidation as given by Terzaghi, listing the various assumptions.
- Q9) Write short notes on any two of the following :
- a) Sieve analysis.
 - b) Triaxial shear test.
 - c) Causes of over consolidation.