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Subject code: 17209 Model Answer-Construction Materials Important Instructions to examiners:

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1) The answer should be examined by keywords and not as word-to-word as given in the model answer scheme.

2) The model answer and the answer written by candidate may vary but the examiner may try to assess the understanding level of the candidate.

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6) In case of some questions credit may be given by judgment on part of examiner of relevant answer based on candidates understanding

	Question and Model Answers	Marks		
Q.1	Attempt any TEN of the following	20		
a)	Enlist any four basic areas of civil engineering.1) Transportation2) Airports3) Harbours4) Irrigation5) Buildings(Infrastructure)6) Public Health	¹ /2 M each		
b)	 State any two application of construction management. 1) Planning of Construction Activity (CPM) 2) Use of construction machinery & equipments 3) Proper management of labour & material 4) To estimate project duration 			
c)	 c) Distinguish between stone and rock Stone – Natural hard substance formed from minerals & earth material from rock Stone is used in construction of almost all the structure. Stones are derived from rocks Rock – Portion of earth's crust having no definite shape & structure. They have definite chemical composition. Types of rocks – Granite, Basalt, trap marble etc. 			

d)	State any two properties and uses of bitumen.	
	Bitumen – Properties-	1⁄2 M
	- It is adhesive property not affected by air water	
	 a chemical compound of carbon hydrogen 	
	- Non crystalline solid	
	- Viscous material	
	Uses – Used in damp proofing, paining timber	each
	- Can be used an adhesive in road work	
	- Can be used as roof coverings	
	- Used in bitumen emulsion.	
e)	State constituents of good quality brick.	
	Constituents of brick	
	- Clay, water	IM
	 Clay – silica, aluminium, lime etc iron oxide 	each
	- Adhesive material like – fly ash, rice husk, sandy loam, basalt stone	
	dust.	
f)	Give standard dimensions of :	
	i. Conventional Brick	114
	0"Y4 ¹ "Y2"	IM
	⁹ ^{A4} 2 ^{A5}	
	ii. Modular Brick / Standard Brick	
	(19X9X9)cm &	1M
	(19X9X4)cm	
g)	State any four different types of cement	
8/	Type of Cements – Portland Cements	
	- Rapid hardening cement	
	- High aluminium cement	¹∕₂ M
	- Super sulphate cement	each
	- Sulphate resisting cement	
	- Portland slag cement	
	- Low head cement	
	- Portland pozzolana cement	
	- Ouick setting cement	
	- Masonary cement	
	- White & coloured cement	
	- Air entraining cement	
	- Calcium chloride cement	
	- Water repellant cement	
	- Water proof cement	
	- Special cement	
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h)	Write any two advantages of pre-cast block.		
	1) Quality	13.6	
	2) Durable	1M	
	3) Correct size & shape	each	
	4) Saves mortar		
	5) Light weight (if required)		
i)	Mention any two water proofing material brands available in market.	11/	
	1) Bitumen felts	INI each	
	2) Plastic sheeting	cacii	
	3) Mastic asphalt		
	4) Tar		
	5) Sika		
	6) Dr. Fixit		
	7) Fosrock		
:)	What is sain?		
J)	Coir It is obtained from account tree. It is natural material. It is used in pressboard	2M	
	con - n is obtained from coconut tree. It is natural material. It is used in pressooard	2111	
	a for cooling purpose.		
k)	Enlist any four different types of paint		
K)	Type of paints $-$ i) Aluminium paint ii) Anticorrosive paints iii) Ashestos paints	¹∕₂ M	
	iv) Bitu minous paints v) Cellulose paints vi) Cement paints vii) Emulsion	each	
	paints viji) Enamel paints (i) Oil paints (ii) District paints (iii) District paints (iiii) District paints (i		
	silicate paints xii) synthetic rubber paints		
l)	Write any two situations where lime mortar can be used.		
	- Lightly loaded super structure	1M	
	- Plastering	each	
	- Pointing		
	- Can be used as mortar		
	-		
m)	Write any two properties of blast furnace slag		
	Properties of blast furnace slag - Fire resistant,	1M	
	- Strong,	each	
	- Durable		
	- Corrosion resistant.		
n)	Define	1 \ /ſ	
	1. Brick nusk – It is obtained from rice for manufacturing bricks. It is also used	1111	
	ior making partial boards. Also used in low cost sandcrete blocks	1M	
	II. Diast furnace siag – it is waste material obtained from furnaces. It is just		

Q.2	Attempt any FOUR of the following			
a)	Write any four criteria for selection of construction material.			
	Selection of construction material			
	- Life i.e. durability			
	- Quality			
	- Appearance	each		
	- Cost			
	- Resistant to climate change			
	- Strength			
	- Resistance of water			
	- Should have specific properties			
	- Applicable level			
	- Serviceability			
b)	Explain role of civil engineer in construction management			
	Role of Civil Engineer in constituent management.			
	1) Matching the limitations of funds with total requirements	1M		
	2) Modify & improve the methods of planning, design & execution.	each		
	3) To look after environmental impact.	(Ally four)		
	4) To use maximum local material, labour	iour)		
	5) Quality construction			
	6) Best selection of material			
	7) Safety at the site			
	8) Welfare of labour of staff			
	9) To work out financing system			
c)	Enlist any four defects in timber.			
	Shakes – Separation in wood between rings			
	Hart Shakes	1M		
	Hart Shake	each		
	Cup shake			
	Star shake			
	- Rind gall- due to swelling caused by the growth of layers of sapwood over			
	sounds after the branch have been cut off in an irregular manner.			
	- Knots – these are bases of twinges of branches buried by cambial activity of			
	the mother branch din, small, medium & large knot.			
	- End splits – Caused by greater evaporation of sap at the end grains of log.			
	- Twisted fibres – Caused by wind constantly turning the young tree truak in			
	one direction			
	- Upsets – Caused by crushing of fibres			
	- Foxiness – decay in the form of yellow & red tinge or discoloration of over			
	matured trees.			
	- Rupture - caused by injury or impact.			

d)	Enlist types of bituminous material used in construction and explain any one.				
	Types of bitumen material used in construction				
	1) Bitumen emulsion, blown bitumen, cutback bitumen, plastic bitumen,	2 M			
	straight run bitumen, natural bitumen, petroleum bitumen.				
	2) 1) Bitumen emulsion – liquid product in an aqueous solution. It is in very				
	finely divided state.	2M			
	11) Blown bitumen – Obtained by passing air under pressure at higher				
	iti) Cut had bitumen. Obtained by fluxing eachelt on hitumen in another				
	111) Cut back bitumen – Obtained by fluxing asphalt or bitumen in pressure				
	of some suitable liquid distillates of coal tar				
	iv) Plastic bitumen – consist of bitumen, thinner & suitable inert filler.				
	v) Straight run bitumen – distilled bitumen to definite viscosity or				
	penetration without further treatment.				
	vi) Natural bitumen – Occurrence rarely in natural state.				
	v11) Petroleum bitumen - crude petroleum & its resinous residues.				
<u></u>	State constituent material in briek conth				
e)	Constituent materials in bricks earth	1/2 M			
	Silica 50 to 60% Alumina 20 30 % Lime 10% Magnecia <1	each			
	- Since = 50 to 00%, Alternia = 20 = 50%, Linc = 10%, -Magnesia = <1				
	10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10,				
	Very small 70				
f)	Enlist any four field test on cement.				
	Field test on cement	13.6			
	- Colour				
	- Experience coolness.	each			
	- Fineness by fingering.				
	- It should float on water.				
	- It should not dissolve under water when immersed with perfect shape.				
Q.3	Attempt any FOUR of the following	16 M			
a)	Enlist any four properties of good timber				
	Properties of Timber	114			
	1. Colour- It should be uniform.	1 IVI Aach			
	2. Odor- It should be pleasant when cut freshly.	cach			
	3. Soundness- A clear ringing sound when struck indicates the timber is good.				
	4. Texture- Texture of good timber is fine and even.				
	5. Density- Higher the density, stronger is the timber.				
	6. Toughness- Timber should be capable of resisting shock loads.				
	7. Abrasion				
	8. Strength				
	9. Fire resistance				

b)	State the requirement of good building stone		
	i. It should have high crushing strength more than 100 N/mm ²		
	ii. It should have high durability.	1M	
	iii. It should have equi-granular structure.	each	
	iv. It should have high specific gravity ranges from 2.4 to 2.8	(Any 4)	
	v. It should have low water absorption.		
	vi. It should have better appearance and color.		
	vii. It should be polished properly.		
	viii. It should have high impact value.		
c)	Write any four characteristics of good tile.		
	Characteristics of good tiles		
	1. Uniform texture.	1M	
	2. Accurate size and shape.	each	
	3. Free from defects like cracks, impurities, etc.		
	4. High durability.		
	5. Water absorption less than 15%		
	6. Resistant to atmosphere and dampness		
d)	List any four common field test carried out on bricks.	1M	
	1. Shape and size 2. Color	each	
	3. Structure 4. Soundness		
	5. Hardness 6. Impact strength		
e)	Write any four properties of Damp-proofing materials.		
	Properties of damp proofing materials		
	1) It should be impervious in nature	1M	
	2) It should be strong and durable	each	
	3) Material must be able to withstand dead as well as live load without damages		
	4) It should be dimensionally stable		
	5) It should be free from deliquescent salts like sulphates, chlorides and nitrates		
	6) It should be water proof.		
	7) It should withstand temperature variations and prevent formation of cracks		
	8) It should get easily mixed with cement, sand and aggregates to form a		
	homogeneous paste.		
f)	Write any four uses of asbestos fibers.		
	Uses of Asbestos Fibers		
	1. They are used in making bricks.	1M	
	2. They are used for floor tiles.	each	
	3. They are used for manufacturing insulating cement.		
	4. They are used for manufacturing insulating concrete block.		
	5. They are used for making textile material.		
	6. Extensively used in automotive & medical industries.		
	7. They are commonly used for building wiring.		

Q.4	4 Attempt any FOUR of the following			
a)	Enlist various test conducted on bitumen and explain anyone			
	Various tests conducted on bitumen			
	1. Consistency test- Viscometer/Engler Test/Penetration test/Softening point.	31 <i>4</i>		
	2. Heat test-Flash & Fire test/Loss on heat/Distillation/Water content test.	2111		
	3. Solubility and composition			
	4. Ductility			
	5. Specific gravity- Pycnometer/Balance method.			
	6. Adhesion.			
	Flash and Fire point test:	21 <i>I</i>		
	Flash point is the lowest temperature at which the vapour of the substance can be	2111		
	ignited in air by a flame under specific conditions of test. The substance itself does			
	not continue to burn. The sample is filled in an open metal cup suspended in air. It is			
	heated at a uniform rate and an open flame is passed over its surface to determine			
	the temperature at which the volatile vapours are given off and catch fire. The			
	significance of this test is that in practice the bitumen should be heated 100°C below			
	flash point from safety point of view.			
	(Students may write any one Test explanation, so give credit accordingly)			
b)	Define Asphalt. Write any two properties of asphalt.			
	Definition- Asphalt is a natural or artificial mixture in which bitumen is associated	эм		
	with inert mineral matter. In fact, it is the native mixture of hydrocarbons-a product	2 IVI		
	of the decomposition of organic substances.			
	Properties-			
	1. It is black or brownish black in colour.			
	2. At temperature between 50° - 100° C it is in liquid state.	1/2 M		
	3. Whereas at temp. Less than 50° - 100° C it remains in solid state.	each		
	4. It is thermoplastic material.	(any four)=		
	5. It softens as it is heated.	2M		
	6. It hardens as it is cooled.			
	7. It is the tough and durable material.			
	8. It is a waterproof material and can be easily cleaned.			
	9. It is the good insulator of electricity, heat & sound.			
	10. It a non inflammable and non absorbent.			
	11. It is affected by acids and is safe against vermin.			
	12. It is resilient and reasonably elastic.			
	13. It is soluble in C ₂ S, Benzene, Napina			
	14. Setting time. Less			
	15. Uses: As damp proof course, for paints, as rooting feit and for road works.			
C)	State properties of fine aggregate and course aggregate			
	1 Particle size between 75u to 4.75 mm is Fine aggregate	1M		
	 1. Tarticles are mostly rounded shape 	each		
	2. I arrendes are mostly rounded shape.	(Any		
	J. Fine aggregate shows more bulking with increase in moisture unto cortain	2)		
	The aggregate shows more burking with increase in moisture upto certain value and again decreases			
	value allu agaili uecieases.			

	5. These are obtained from sea, river, pit and artificially crushing stones.					
	6. Less water absorption					
	Properties of Coarse aggregate					
	1 The particle size from 4.75 to 80mm is coarse aggregate					
	2. The surface texture of aggregate is rough.	1M				
	3. Water Absorption.	each				
	4. Coarse aggregate gives strength to concrete.	(Any				
	5. These are obtained from crushing of natural stones.					
d)	Write any four properties of Geo-synthetic materials.					
	Properties-					
	(1) Light weight.	1 M				
	(2) Impervious in nature.					
	(3) Non-degradable.					
	(4) Easy to handle.					
	(5) High transmissibility under strong compression.					
	(6)High tearing strength.					
	(7) High modulus of deformation.					
	(8) Adequate plastic yield properties.					
e)	Write any four uses of termite proofing material.					
- /	Termite proofing materials-					
	i. EPS sandwich panel					
	Uses- a. Interior and exterior partition on steel or concrete	1M				
	b. For various buildings like banks, offices hospitals, schools, hotels, etc.	each				
	ii. Termite resistance wood plastic composite floor					
	Uses- a. Used for outside walls b. Used for decking board					
	iii. Taixi wood					
	Uses- a. Used in offices, hotels, public buildings, commercial premises					
	iv. Termotar					
	Uses - a. Termotar used in brickwork construction					
f)	Write any four properties of cement mortar.					
-)	1. Mortar must have sufficient strength.					
	2. It should be capable of developing good adhesion with the building units such as	1M				
	bricks, stones etc.	each				
	3 It should be canable of developing the designed stresses					
	4 It should be capable of resisting penetration of rain water					
	5 It should be chean					
	6. It should be durable					
	7 It should be easily workable					
	8 It should not affect the durability of materials with which it comes into contact					
	9 It should set quickly so that speed in construction may be achieved					
	10. The joints formed by mortar should not develop cracks and they should be able					
	to maintain their appearance for a sufficiently long period					
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Q.5	5 Attempt any FOUR of the following:			16		
a)	State any four properties of hydraulic lime.					
	1. It forms hard mass like cement					
	2. It has slake slowly					
	3. Lime posse	sses good plasticity				
	4. Setting time	e of hydraulic lime is slow				
	5. Quality of r	nortar is strong				
b)	Compare asphalt	and tar with respect to:				
~)	Setting time					
	Use	-				
		Asnhalt	Tar			
	Setting time	More	Less	2 M		
	Use	1 It can be used for	1 It is used for making	23.4		
	Use	near noint	1. It is used for making	2M		
		2 It says he made a DDC	macadam road.	any two pt		
		2.It can be used as DPC	2. It is used for preserving	each		
		3.It can be used as water	timber.	cuch		
		proofing layer.	3. It is used for water			
		4.It is used in construction	proofing.			
		of road	4. It is used for painting to			
			metal embedded in			
			ground to avoid			
			corrosion.			
c)	Explain wet proce	ss of manufacturing of cemen	ıt			
	Various stages in	wet process of manufacturing	of cement:			
	The manufacturin	ng of cement by wet process can	n be divided into three stages.			
	Stage-I Mixing	g of raw materials:		1 ½ M		
	In this stage	e, 10% of chalk and 30% of cla	y which contains some sand, iron	1 /2 111		
	oxide,magnesia,	etc. are crushed, grounded and	I mixed uniformly. Generally the			
	ingredients are c	rushed in a crushing mill and	carried by water into large tanks			
	where it is allow	ed to settle for weeks. The wat	er is then taken out and the slurry			
	is then dug out ar	nd dried in an oven.				
	is then dug out and dried in an oven.					
	Stage-II Burning:					
	Burning of the above dried slurry is carried out in a rotary kiln. Kiln rotates					
	at a rate of 1RPM about its longitudinal axis. The slurry is injected the upper end					
	whereas the hot gasses are forced through the lower end of the kiln. As the slurry					
	moves down not	fules are formed which after	gets converted into clinkers. The			
	cooled clinkers a	re collected into containers of s	uitable size			
		te concette into containers of s				

	Stage-III Grinding: In this process, the clinkers are ground to very fine powder in ball mills and tube mills. The powder is then spread over a dry floor for some days for air slacking and then 5% Gypsum is added to improve the quality of cement. The finely ground cement is stored in silos. It is then weighed and packed in bags of 50kg by weight.			
d)	State various thermal insulating materials and state any two properties of			
	insulating materials			
	1. Rock wool2. Fibre board3. Gypsum board4. flexible blanket5.cork board6. Mineral wool board7.AC board8. Aluminum foil9. Gasket cork sheet	² X 4– 2M		
	Properties :	ANY		
	1. It should be fire proof and chemical resistance	TWO		
	2. It Should be Bio resistant and dry	2M		
	3. It should not undergo any deformation			
	4. It should resist attack of insect			
	5. It should not absorb moisture			
	6. It has good strength and stability			
	7. It should impermeable to water			
e)	Write any two advantage and disadvantage of glass cladding			
	Advantages-			
	2 It will save the space inside the building	TWO		
	3. Its use fulfills the architectural view.	2M		
	4. Glass cladding in building fulfill functional requirement of lighting.			
	5. Glass is bad conductor of heat; it saves energy in air conditioning of			
	building.			
	Disadvantages-	ANY TWO		
	1. It will cause more maintenance cost if it is used in hilly area	2M		
	2. Unsafe for earthquake proven area.			
	3. Use of glass also enhances the cost of security			
	4. As glass is very costly material, it may increase the budgeted cost of			
	construction work			
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1)	write any four properties of sound insulating material.			
	2 Easy to handle and fix	1M		
	3. It should be resistant to attack termite and insect	Each		
	4. It should have low density and porous texture			
	5. It should be fire resistance			
	6. It should be moisture resistance			

Q.6	Attempt any FOUR of the following:		
a)	State importance of special types of bricks and write their applications.		
a)	 State importance of special types of bricks and write their applications. Importance of special types of bricks and its applications: I.Acid resistant brick: They have better acid resistance. Application: Used in construction of chemical plants. 2.Engineering bricks: They are less porous and absorb less water, sufficient resistance against impact and abrasion. Application: Used for paving purpose. 3.Silica bricks: They are lighter in weight. Application: Used for load bearing walls or partition walls. 4.Refractory bricks: They have sufficient resistance against heat, acid attack. Application: Used for metallurgical furnaces. 5.Sand lime bricks: Very strong and hard bricks than clay bricks having uniform colour and texture with sharp edges. Application: Very suitable for ornamental work. 	Any four 1M Each	
	Application: Used for heavy engineering works like bridges etc		
b)	State the importance of flooring tiles and roofing tiles in building and give two names flooring and roofing tiles according to materials. Importance of flooring tiles and roofing tiles: 1. Gives good appearance or attractive look. 2. Easy to clean 3. These are cost effective 4. Longer life energy	Any Two= 2M	
	 4. Longer life span 5. They do not require polishing Names of Flooring Tiles: Vitrified Tiles Granomite Tiles 3.Marbonite Tiles 4. Glazed Tiles 5.Spartex Tiles 	Any Two ^{1/2} each= 1M	

	Names of Roofing Tiles:		
	1. Allahabad Tiles	2. Corrugated Tiles	Two
	3. Guna Tiles 4	I. Manglore Tiles	1/2
	5. Flemish Tiles 6	5. Ranigunj Tiles	each=
	7. Country Tiles		1171
c)	What are the ingredients of good r	nortar and explain how you decide good	
	mortar.		
	Ingredients of mortar:		<u>эм</u>
	1) Cement/lime		Z 1 VI
	2) Sand/sinder/surkhi		
	3) Water		
	The mortar is said to good if it po	ssess the following properties:	2M
	1) It should be workable		
	2) It should be tough, hard dura	ble and economical	
	3) It should be capable of resisti	ing weathering effect	
	4) It should be easily transported	d and placed in site	
	5) It should set quickly		
d)	Write any four applications of constr	ruction waste.	
	1. Reuse of bricks, stone slab, timber conduct, piping railing, etc to the extent		
	possible and depending upon their condition		
	2. Plastics, broken glass, scrap metal etc can be used by recycling industries		
	3. Large unusual pieces can be sent for filling up low lying areas		
	4. Fine material, such as sand dust etc can be used as cover material over		
	sanitary landfill		
	5. Rubble, brick bats, broken plaster/concrete piece etc can be used for building		
	activities Such as leveling under coat of lanes where the traffic does not		
	constitute of heavy Moving loads.		
e)	Write Two uses of each:		
	i) Fly Ash		
	1. It is used a geo polymers		$\frac{1}{2}$ each
	2.It is used as substitute for aggrega	te in brick production.	-1111
	3.It is used in concrete production, a	as a substitute for Portland cement and sand.	
	4.It used land reclamation.		
	ii) Construction waste		
	1. The pieces of bricks, harden	ed mortar and concrete can be used in	1/ 1
	manufacturing of concrete block.		$\frac{1}{2}$ each
	2. Waste from the timber such as s	aw dust can be used for making light weight	
	concrete.		
	3.Metal pieces can be recycled and	send to metal industries for manufacturing of	
	new product		
	4. Plastic pieces can be recycled and	a send to plastic industries for manufacturing	
	ot new product.		

	iii) Rubber Waste	
	1.Used for erosion control	¹ / ₂ each
	2. Manufacturing of floor mats	=1M
	3. By grinding tyres into crumb and using it in asphalt mix	
	4. Used in core of earthen embankments	
	5. it is used in manufacturing of foam rubber which is used in furniture	
	iv) Saw dust	¹ / ₂ each
	1.It is used in manufacturing of particle board	=1M
	2.It is used as alternative to fuel	
	3.It is also used in artistic display	
	4.It is used for wood pulp	
f)	What is construction waste? How it is applicable in Civil Engineering?	
- ,	Construction waste:	
	It is the unwanted materials produced directly or incidentally by construction	
	activity. These include building materials such as broken concrete, steel.	2M
	insulation, nails, electrical wiring and waste originating from the site preparation	
	like dredging materials, tree stumps and rubble.	
	Applications of construction waste in Civil Engineering:	
	1. Waste generated from construction should be recycled and reused.	Any
	2. The pieces of bricks, hardened mortar and concrete can be used in	
	manufacturing of concrete block.	
	3. Waste from the timber such as saw dust can be used for making light weight	2M
	concrete.	
	4.Metal pieces can be recycled and send to metal industries for manufacturing of	
	new product	
	5.Plastic pieces can be recycled and send to plastic industries for manufacturing	
	of new product.	