

SUMMER- 18 EXAMINATION

Subject Name: BUILDING CONSTRUCTION Model Answer

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Q.	Sub	Answers			
No.	Q.				
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Q.1		Attempt any ten:		(20)	
	a)	State any two uses of lintel.			
	Ans	i) To support the loads of the portion of wall above the opening.			
		ii) To transmit the load to the adjacent wall po	ortions.	01 M for	
		iii) To support chajja or loaft.		each	
Q.1	b)	Distinguish between load bearing structures	and framed structures on any two points.	_	
	Ans	Load bearing structure	Framed Structure		
		1) Suitable for hard strata available at	1) Suitable for any type of strata at any		
		shallow depth.	depth.		
		2) Thick wall reduce the floor area.	2) More floor area available due to thin	Any two	
			walls.	01 M for	
		3) Allowed up to two storeys.	3) Multi storied construction is possible.	each	
		4) Constriction is slow and time consuming.	4) Fast and speedy construction.		
		5) Economical up to two storeys.	5) Economical for multistoried building.		
		6) Vibration due to machine and earth	6) Less effect of machine vibration and		
		quake seriously affects foundation.	earth quake forces.		
Q.1	c)	Define "Foundation".			
	Ans	Foundation:- The lowest part of a structure be	elow ground levels which provides the base		
		for the superstructure and transmits the load	of superstructure to subsoil properly is	02 M	
		known as foundation.			
Q.1	d)	State any essential requirements of a good for	oundation.		
	Ans	Essential requirements of good foundation:-			
		1) Foundation should be selected such that it	can safely transfer load as per design with		
		considering future expansion.			
		2) Good designed foundation should resist ea			
		3) A good foundation should avoid unequal or		Any two	
		4) A good foundation should avoid overturnin	g of building.	01 M for	



		5) For good foundation, area below foundation should be drained properly.	each
		6) A good foundation should be stable against environmental and other factors. ex.	
		groundwater, frost action, soil erosion	
		7) A good foundation should be strong as well as economical.	
Q.1	e)	State the necessity of scaffolding.	
	Ans	Necessity of scaffolding:-	
		1. To provide a working platform, so that the worker can stand on the platform to do the	
		work easily & safely.	Any two
		2. To provide platform for placing material & equipment needed by the workers to carry	01 M for
		out their job	each
		3. To reach the construction point, as it progresses.	
Q.1	f)	State the importance of frog.	
	Ans	Importance of frog:-	
		Frog provides a space for the mortar in top face of brick, on setting of mortar which forms a	
		key with mortar joint, Frog is important to prevent displacement of the bricks above in	02 M
		lateral direction, to provide proper bonding between successive courses and to get safe	
		construction of brick work, frog is important.	
Q.1	g)	Define "Skirting".	
	Ans	The skirting is the full or half tiles laid vertically as finish to the wall, held in between	02 M
		bottom of the wall and floor.	
Q.1	h)	Enlist two purposes of plastering.	
	Ans	Purposes of plastering are:-	
		1. To provide an even smooth, regular, clean and durable finished surface.	
		2. To conceal the defective workmanship	
		3. To preserve and protect the surface from atmospheric influences by acting as a	Any two
		protective coating	01 M for
		4. To fill the joints formed in masonry work	each
		5. To cover inferior quality material.	
		6. To provide a satisfactory base for decorating the surface by applying white washing,	
0.1	• • •	color washing painting	
Q.1	i) Ama	State the necessity of pointing?	
	Ans	Necessity of pointing: -	Anythus
		1. Joints on the face of stone or brick masonry are roughly filled in, while the walls are	Any two 01 M for
		being raised. These joints are considered to be weakest spots for giving access to rain water or dampness, therefore they need protection.	each
		2. Pointing is necessary for protecting the joint from the adverse effect of atmosphere.	each
		3. To magnify the appearance of the surface by exhibiting the pattern of the joints, their	
		thickness, colours and texture prominently.	
Q.1	j)	State two purpose of termite proofing.	
Q. 1	Ans	Purpose of termite proofing:-	
	/	1. To control or prevent the termite growth in the building. The termites enter into	
		buildings through cracks, walls, pipes and floor joints etc. Once termites are developed in	
		the building area, it is very difficult and costly to remove.	Any two
		2. To prevent damage of materials of organic origin with a cellulosic base, household	01 M for
		articles like furniture, furnishings, clothings, stationery, etc.	each
		3. To prevent damage of Rubber, leather, plastics, neoprene as well as lead coating used for	
		covering of underground cables.	
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		necessitated evolving suitable measures for preventing access of termites to buildings.	
Q.1	k)	State two causes of settlement.	
	Ans	The causes of settlement of foundation are:-	
		1. Uneven bearing capacity of soil at foundation level	
		2. Different loads on different parts of foundation	
		3. Varying ground water table height	Any two
		4. Compressible foundation soil	01 M for
		5. Pockets of different type of soil under the foundation level	each
		6. Expansive soils such as black cotton soil	
		7. Vibrations, if it is factory foundation, or a building very near to railway tracks	
		8. Liquefaction during Earthquakes and floods	
		9. Elastic compression, plastic flow or consolidation under static load	
		10. Excessive expansion and contraction of swelling soils.	
Q.1	I)	State any two advantages of prefabrication.	
	Ans	Advantages of Prefabrication:-	
		1. Mass production of units.	
		2.Reduction of costs and construction time on site	
		3.Effective use of formwork	Any two
		4. Improved quality of units.	01 M for
		5.Special shapes and surface finishes	each
		6.Protection from hot or drying winds	
		7. Demountable structures.	
Q.2		Attempt any four:	(16)
	a)	Explain in brief roller compacted concrete.	
	Ans	Recent and innovative development in the construction field i 🗔 'Roller compace	
		concre 🖺 It is advanced type of concrete which is vitally used in dam construction. It is lean	
		and almost dry concrete which is compacted with use of vibratory roller. Ingredients like	02 M
		coarse aggregates, cement and water taken in an appropriate proportion are thoroughly	
		mixed together in a conventional batch mixer or in other suitable concrete mixers with or	
		without a supplementary cementing material like fly ash.	
		Properties :	
		1) It is harsh concrete.	
		2) Grade of concrete starts with M10.	Any two
		3) It has low shrinkage.	01 M
		4) It has less creep.	
		5) It has maximum dry density.	
		Uses :	
		1) Dam construction.	
		2) Pavement construction.	01 M
Q.2	b)	Explain the procedure of Vacuum dewatering concreting for construction of floors.	
	Ans	Procedure of vacuum dewatering concreting for construction:-	
		1) It has stressed time that adoption of low water cement ratio will be given to improve the	
		quality of concrete.	
		2) The use of super plasticizer in the vacuum dewatering of concrete.	
		3) It required formwork in the forms of channel internal vibrates, double beam screen	
		vibrator, bull float filter pads vacuumed pump. Is floater power trowel.	
		4) First concert with higher water cement ratio and it is full compacted with needle vibrate	
		then this concrete is further compacted by double beam screen vibrate it makes surface	



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		smooth. 5) Filter mat is place and it is press within 30 min and the vacuum pump is started with			
		sunks the unwanted water.			
		6) It is rub about 20 to 30 min it is depending upon thickness of concrete floor.			
		7) Then the concrete with skin floated further power trowel and finish.			
		8) After vacuum dewatering it gives the ideal condition for application of surface hardener.			
	· · ·	In this way factory from may be constructed.			
Q.2	c)	Explain the importance and necessity of water proofing.			
	Ans	Necessity and Importance :-			
		i) One of the basic requirements in case of all the buildings is that the structure should			
		remain dry as far as possible.			
		ii) If this condition is not satisfied it is likely that the building may become inhabitable and			
		unsafe from structural point of view.			
		iii) This will improve the life of building and make the hygienic conditions in the building for	A £		
		the user.	Any four		
		iv) Dampness in the building gives rise to breeding of mosquitoes.	01 M for		
		v) Dampness may cause unsightly patches.	each		
		vi) Dampness may cause softening and crumbling of plaster.	cucii		
		vii) Efflorescence may be caused due to dampness.			
		viii) Timber and fittings are deteriorated due to dampness.			
		iv) Electrical wiring and fittings may get damaged and may cause short circuiting.			
Q.2	d)	Enlist any eight requirements of good form work.			
	Ans	Good formwork or shuttering structures should satisfy the following requirements:-			
		1. It should be strong enough to resist the pressure or the weight of the fresh concrete and			
		the superimposed loads due to equipment, men etc., if any. This requires careful design of			
		the formwork, because the consideration of overloads will affect the economy whereas of			
		under loads may cause failure of the formwork.			
		2. It should be rigid enough to retain the shape without undue deformation. Therefore, it			
		should be so designed that deflection does not exceed 1/900th of span in normal cases.			
	3. It must be made or constructed as tight so that it does not allow the cement paste				
leak th		leak through the joints.			
		4. The space enclosed by the form should be true to the size as designed. The form should,			
		therefore, not warp, bend, bulge or sink to meet this requirement.			
		5. The inside surface of formwork should be smooth so as to give good appearance to the	Any eight		
		resulting concrete surface. To achieve this, the inside surface of formwork is usually applied			
		with crude oil or soft soap solution. This also facilitates the removal of formwork.	1/2 M for		
		6. The entire formwork should be so made that it can be removed easily without causing	each		
		the least injury to the surface or edges of the concrete.			
		7. As the formwork does not contribute anything to the stability of the finished structure, it			
		should, therefore, be made economical by reducing the cost through proper design,			
		construction and use of proper material.			
		8. It should be as light as possible. So that it is easy to transfer.			
		9. The material of the formwork should be cheap, easily available and should be suitable			
		for reuse.			
		10. Self-weight of the form work should be less.			
		11. It should be easily possible to give the required geometrical shape to the form.			
Q.2	e)	Explain in brief precautions to be taken while plastering.			
	Ans	Some precautions for good Plastering are given below:-			



		 Fix all the fittings of electric pipes, water supply pipes, and electric boxes etc. properly as per drawing /requirement before starting the plaster work. Fit all the pipes so deep into the walls that the pipes can get proper thickness of mortar on them to avoid cracks in plaster surface. Make proper bond between the background and the plaster coat. Make surface of the wall clean, free from all racked mortar and dust etc. with the help of iron brushes. Wash and water the surface for 24 hours before the plaster is applied. Fix the reference mark (BUNDAS) on the walls truly in lines and plumb before starting the plaster. Ensure that all the edges of openings are round. Check the plaster frequently with straight edges and plumb bob. Do proper curing for at least 15 days to harden the plaster sufficiently and avoid the damage when watered. Mark proper dates on the plastered surface for proper curing . Protect all the fittings on the wall. Clean any splash of mortar on a finished surface immediately on completion of the work. Carry 'Paleting' oully in the brick by rubbing brushes on the surface and wash them with clean water. Make like wall wall for 'Paleting' free from all. Plaster the surface with enough water so that it may not absorb water from the mortar. Avoid excessive troweling. Close pot holes with wet brick bats and mortar before starting the plaster. Make square or rectangular form of the patch if any patch is to be repaired. Make square or fit any leakages or moisture before plastering. Ensure that the walls are completely dry at least 24 hours before plastering. Also keep the room at 55 to 70 degrees F temperature during plastering or till the plaster sets 	Any eight 1/2 M for each
		completely.	
Q.2	f)	Enumerate the defects found in plastering work and suggest the remedies to avoid such	
	Ans	 <i>defects.</i> Defects in plastering and the remedies to avoid such defects:- 1. Blistering Of plastered Surface: This is the formation of the plaster swelling out beyond the plastered surface due to late slaking of lime particles in the plaster. Remedies: The affected plasterwork should be stripped off. Re-plastering can take place once the background. 2. Flaking: It is the formation of very loose mass of plastered surface, due to poor bond between successive coats. Remedies: The affected plasterwork should be stripped off. Re-plastering can take place once the background. 3. Peeling: It is the complete dislocation of some portion of plastered surface resulting in the formation of a patch. Remedies: The affected plasterwork should be stripped off. Re-plastering can take place on the background. 4. Cracking: It consists of formation of cracks in the plaster work resulting from-Structural defect in building, Discontinuity of surface, background is not prepared up to mark, movement in back ground due to rapid or due to thermal expansion, due to excessive shrinkage, faulty workmanship. Remedies: Locali and the formation. 	Any four 01 M for each



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		5. Efflorescence: It is the whitish crystalline substance which appears on the surface.			
		Remedies: It can be avoided by 1. Decline soluble salts 2. Design and construct masonry			
		structure properly to prevent water penetration 3. Execute construction suitably to avoid			
		paths through which moisture travels. Efflorescence is removed by rubbing brushes on the			
		damaged surface. A solution of one part of hydrochloric acid or sulphuric acid and five parts			
		of clean water is prepared and it is applied with the help of brushes on the affected area.			
		The surface is then washed with clean water. It should, however be remembered that it is			
		desirable to prevent efflorescence than to cure it. Building material should be selected of			
		superior quality and suitable methods of construction should be employed.			
		6. Popping: It is the formation of conical hole in the plastered surface due to presence of			
		some particles which expand on setting.			
		Remedies: The cause of the pop out has been removed and the hole can be filled with			
		proprietary filler and painted over.			
		7. Uneven surface: This is obtained purely due to poor workmanship.			
		Remedies: Plastering work should be carried out by skilled masons in the best			
		workmanship manner.			
		8. Grinning: is the term given to the appearance of a plastered wall when the positions of			
		the mortar joints are clearly visible through the plaster. It is caused by the difference in			
		suction between the masonry units and the mortar. Raking out mortar joints also causes			
		grinning and the practice should thus be limited to soft clay brickwork.			
		Remedies: While grinning may be unsightly, it is unlikely to lead to further cracking. The			
		choice is to live with it, or to remove and replace the plaster.			
Q.3		Attempt any four:	(16)		
-	a)i)	Enlist any four types of pointing.	()		
	Ans	Types of pointing :-			
		1. Beaded pointing	Any four		
		2. Flush pointing	1/2 M for		
		3. Recessed pointing	each.		
		4. Rubbed or grooved pointing			
		5. Tuck pointing			
		6. Struck pointing			
Q.3	a)ii)	State any two necessity of plinth protection:			
	Ans	Necessity of plinth protection:-			
		i) Plinth protection is required to avoid/ reduce water seeping in the earth reaching			
		the plinth wall and reaches the floor level by capillary action.	01 M each		
		<i>ii)</i> Plinth protection reduces direct water entering into the soil close to the plinth wall.			
Q.3	b)	State any four advantages RMC.			
	Ans	Advantages of ready-mix-concrete:-			
		1. Bulk amount of concrete can be produced at a time to avoid delay in construction.			
		2. Wastage of materials can be avoided due to mechanized operations at plants.			
		3. RMC gives higher quality mix than ordinary concrete due to computerized working			
		of plant.	Any four		
		4. It can be easily transported longer distance without hardening, hence suitable even	1/2 M for		
		in congested urban area.	each.		
		5. Easy to operate.			
1	1	6. Economical in cost.	1		
		 Less number of labours are required. 			



Q.3	c)	State four uses of wire mesh and Geo-synthetics.		
	Áns			
		1. It is used as drapery system to prevent rocks or debris from falling down onto roads		
		and railways especially in hilly areas		
		2. It is used to stop land fall during heavy rainfall and cyclone or storm		
		3. It stops loose stone pieces from falling down over the road surfaces and prevents		
		any severe accidents.		
		ii) Uses of geo-synthetics:-		
		1. Improvement in the mechanical properties of soils		
		2. Expensive structural designs are avoided		
		3. Undesirable mixing of soil and demands for earth moving are minimized		
		4. Construction time is shortened		
		5. Embankment safety and stability is increased		
		6. Natural appearance of landscape is maintained		
0.2	ط)	7. Cost of construction is optimized		
Q.3	d)	Explain in brief precautions to be taken during pre-stressing of members.		
	Ans	Precautions to be taken while pre-stressing the members		
		1) The beam mould on either side is properly fixed to steel beam section or steel joist		
		which is used as abutments		
		2) To avoid stress loss during pre-stressing of members, the steel anchor plate and		
		abutment with nut and washer should be properly fixed	Any four	
		3) The anchors should be secured before stressing commence	1/2 M for	
		4) The joint in the ducting should be well tapped so as to prevent penetration of the	each.	
		grout during subsequent filling of voids		
		5) The pre-stressing force should be arrange properly to develop the uniformly		
		distributed compressive stress across the face		
		6) The shear reinforcement in the forms of stirrups should be properly placed to avoid		
		the lateral swelling.		
		7) The hydraulic jacks, anchors and end plates must be properly positioned before		
		starting the tensioning of the members.		
		8) The jack should be removed properly after completion of the pre-stressing.		
		9) In case of pre-tensioning, the steel joints are rigidly and firmly fixed to the floor bed		
		and the end of the wires are passed through the templates and grip fitting should		
		be attached properly.		
Q.3	e)	State any four advantages of prefabrication.		
	Ans	Advantages of Prefabrication.		
		1. Mass production of units.		
		2. Reduction of costs and construction time on site.	Any four	
		3. Effective use of formwork.	1/2 M for	
		4. Improved quality of units.	each.	
		5. Special shapes and surface finishes.		
		6. Protection from hot or drying winds.		
		7. Demountable structures		
Q.3	f)	Distinguish between pitched roof and flat roof on any four points.		



	Ans	Sr. No	Pitched roof	Flat roof		
		1	Sloping roof is known as Pitched roof (slope > 10°)	A roof which is nearly flat is known as flat roof (slope < 10 ⁰)		
			Types-	Types-		
		2.	 Single roofs Double or purlins roofs 	 Madras terrace roofs Bengal terrace roofs 		
		2.	3. Trussed roof	3. R.C.C. slab		
			4. Lean to roof			Any four
			It is suitable at the place where	It is not suitable at the place		points
		3.	there is heavy rainfall	where there is heavy rainfall		1/2 M for
		4.	Initial cost is less than flat roof	Initial cost is higher than pitched roof		each.
			Progress of the work is fast as	Progress of the work is slow as		
		5.	compared to flat roof	compared to pitched roof		
			Pitched roof	Flat roof		
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			noite			
Q.4	->	-	t any four:			(16)
	a) Ans	-	plain with sketch lean-to-roof. This is the simplest type of sloping roof, in which rafters slope to one side only. It is			
) This is the simplest type of sloping roof, in which rafters slope to one side only .It is also known as pent roof or Aisle roof.			
		-				
			the other side.			
		-	A wooden wall plate is supported eit are provided at 1 m Centre to Centr		bei, which	
			The wall plate is embedded on the o			
			The difference in elevation between		he desired	
			slope is obtained. Usual slope is 30 ⁰ The common rafters are nailed to we		and	02 M
		-	notched and nailed to wooden post		, anu	
		vii) S	Sometimes iron knee straps and bolt plate.	•	the post	
			Eaves boards, battens and roof cove	ring are provided as shown in fig.		
		-	This type of roof is suitable for maxir	-		
		x) T	These are provided for sheds, out-ho	ouses attached to main building, ver	randahs, etc.	
						02 M



		String course Wall plate Battens Roof covering Corbel Common rafters Knee strap Main wall Verandah wall Verandah wall Corbel Common rafters Knee strap Verandah wall Corbel Common rafters Knee strap Common rafters Common rafters Knee strap Common rafters Common rafter	
Q.4	 (a) Lean to roof b) Enlist types of floors and state their suitability. Brick flooring Mud flooring Mud flooring Murum flooring Cement concrete flooring Flag stone flooring Terrazo flooring Marble flooring Suitability: Brick flooring : - It is provided for warehouses, stores & godowns or places where heavy articles are stored. Mud flooring: These are constructed in villages. They are cheap, hard, fairly impervious, and easy in construction & maintenance. They remain warm in winter cold in summer hence suitable under adverse conditions of climate Cement concrete flooring: - This is commonly used for residential, commercial and in industrial building. Terrazzo flooring: - Such type of flooring is commonly used in residential buildings at it is chap in construction. Marble and granite flooring:-This type of flooring is expensive and therefore used monumental or ornamental work. Viii. Timber flooring: - such type of flooring is not commonly used in residential buildings at it is chap in construction. Marble and granite flooring:-This type of flooring is expensive and therefore used monumental or ornamental work. Viii. Timber flooring: - such type of flooring is not commonly used in residential buildings at it is chap in construction. Marble and granite flooring:-This type of flooring is expensive and therefore used monumental or ornamental work. Viii. Timber flooring: - such type of flooring is not commonly used in residential buildings at it is chap in construction. Marble and granite flooring:-This type of flooring is not commonly used in resid		Any four 1/2 M for each type and 1/2 M for each suitability
Q.4	c) Ans	 State any eight requirements of good stair case. Following are the general requirements of a staircase – 1. Location: - A stair should be located in buildings in a position where there is both light and ventilation. 	