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Eighth Semester B.Arch. Degree Examination, June/July 2025 Materials & Methods in Building Construction - VIII

Time: 4 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.

Module-1

- 1 a. Explain any two ways in which plastic can be used innovatively in the construction industry.

 (10 Marks)
 - o. Mention some of the environmental concerns on building construction.

(10 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. Explain the types of underwater construction techniques. How are Caissons different from Coffer dams? (10 Marks)
 - b. Write a short note on the different type of formwork systems.

(10 Marks)

Module-2

3 a. Explain the importance of Big data in construction.

- (10 Marks)
- b. Explain briefly any four innovations used in construction equipments.

(10 Marks)

OR

- 4 a. How has 3D printing impreted the construction industry? Explain any one method in 3D printing. (10 Marks)
 - b. How does BIM benefit the construction industry?

(10 Marks)

Module-3

- Write short notes on:
 - (i) Lifecycle of a building.
 - (ii) Any five types of damages to buildings.

(20 Marks)

OR

With the help of a case study, explain how a building has been retrofitted. What were the criteria to retrofit that building? (20 Marks)

Module-4

7 a. Explain the need for green buildings.

(05 Marks)

Elaborate on the salient features that are considered in the design of green buildings.

(15 Marks)

OR

8 Explain the methods of harvesting and conserving energy to achieve a net zero building with the help of a case study. (20 Marks)

Module-5

9 a. What are smart materials? What properties do they possess?

(05 Marks)

b. Enlist any three smart materials and elaborate on their applications.

(15 Marks)

OR

Explain any four Nano materials and their applications in the building industry.

(20 Marks)