



## Seventh Semester B.E./B.Tech. Degree Examination, June/July 2025 Pavement Materials and Construction

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

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

### Module-1

- 1 a. Discuss in brief the importance of aggregates size and gradation while adopting in aggregates mixes used in road construction. (10 Marks)
- b. What are the desirable properties of road aggregates? Explain briefly. Explain any two tests conducted to justify their properties, with IRC specifications. (10 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. Describe the properties and requirements of Bitumen as a road construction material. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain the preparation of Tar with a neat flow chart. Explain the process in each step briefly. (10 Marks)

### Module-2

- 3 a. What are the major characteristics of the emulsions? Explain briefly. (10 Marks)
- b. Define Emulsifier. Explain the types of emulsifiers with neat sketch. (10 Marks)

OR

- 4 a. Define Cutbacks. Explain briefly the types of cutbacks. (10 Marks)
- b. What are the major tests conducted on the road emulsions? Explain any two tests with neat sketches. (10 Marks)

### Module-3

- 5 a. What are the Marshall properties of Bituminous mixes? Explain the process of preparation of Marshall mould with specifications. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain the principle of proportioning of aggregates using Rothfutch's method with a neat representation diagram. (10 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. What are the mechanical properties of Bituminous mixes? Explain briefly the types of Bituminous mixes. (10 Marks)

- b. A Bituminous concrete mix for Marshall stability test gave the result :

Coarse aggregate = 50% - SG = 2.70

Fine aggregate = 40% - SG = 2.60

Mineral filler = 04% - SG = 3.10

Bitumen = 06% - SG = 1.00

\*SG – specific gravity

The prepared specimen weighed 1233 gms in air and 710 gms in water. Determine :

- i) Maximum theoretical density
- ii) Total air voids
- iii) Voids in the mineral aggregate
- iv) Voids filled with Bitumen.

(10 Marks)



**Module-4**

- 7 a. What are the methods of soil stabilization? Explain briefly. (10 Marks)  
b. What are the various types of excavation equipment used in highway construction? Mention the applications and limitations of these excavation equipments. (10 Marks)

**OR**

- 8 a. Explain the construction procedure of embankment/subgrade. Mention the quality control checks conducted in laboratory and field with specifications. (10 Marks)  
b. What are the major components of a Bituminous hot-mix plants. Explain them briefly. (10 Marks)

**Module-5**

- 9 a. What are the material specification of the Bituminous concrete layer in flexible pavement? Explain briefly, the construction procedure and quality control checks for bituminous concrete layer. (10 Marks)  
b. With the material specification explain the various steps performed in the construction of dry lean concrete (DLC) layer in cement – concrete pavements. (10 Marks)

**OR**

- 10 a. Write the gradation of aggregates used in dense graded Bituminous macadam layer construction. Explain the quality control checks. (10 Marks)  
b. Explain the procedure for construction of Pavement Quality Concrete (PQC) in C-C pavements with material specifications. Explain the quality control checks. (10 Marks)

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