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**Question Paper Code: 31181**

B.E. / B.Tech. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2017

Elective

Civil Engineering

01UCE908 - CONCRETE TECHNOLOGY

(Regulation 2013)

Duration: Three hours

Maximum: 100 Marks

Answer ALL Questions

PART A - (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

1. What is the role of  $C_3S$  and  $C_3A$  on the properties of cement?
2. What is Gap Graded Aggregate?
3. Define accelerators.
4. How plasticizers are important for concrete?
5. Distinguish between Plasticizers and Superplasticizers.
6. What are the factors affecting choice of concrete mix design?
7. How does water cement ratio affect the strength of concrete?
8. What is Abram's law? Explain the factors affecting the compressive strength of concrete.
9. Define classification of light weight concrete.
10. Define aspect ratio.

PART - B (5 x 16 = 80 Marks)

11. (a) Explain various tests to be done on coarse and fine aggregates. (16)

Or

- (b) Explain the use and chemical composition of following cements: (i) Quick setting Cement (ii) Sulphate resisting Cement (iii) Low heat Cement (iv) Portland Pozzolana Cement. (16)

12. (a) Define Admixtures. Enlist the different types mineral admixtures used in concrete. Describe briefly the influence of three most important mineral admixtures on concrete. (16)

Or

- (b) Explain the mechanism of action and advantages of following chemical admixtures in concrete: (i) Retarders (ii) Accelerators (iii) Water proofers. (16)

13. (a) Compare the salient features of the BIS, ACI and DOE methods of concrete mix-design. (16)

Or

- (b) Design a concrete mix by BIS method with the following data:

Characteristic compressive strength =  $35 \text{ N/m}^2$

Maximum size of aggregate = 20 mm (angular)

Fine aggregates conform to grading zone II

Degree of workability = 0.80

Degree of quality control good

Type of exposure mild

Specific gravity of cement-3.14

Specific gravity of fine aggregate-2.58

Water absorption

(i) Coarse aggregate- Nil

(ii) Fine aggregate-1.9%

Water cement ratio-0.48

Assume any other data if necessary. (16)

14. (a) Explain the lab tests to determine the tensile strength of concrete and write comments on the tensile strength value obtained from these tests. (16)

Or

- (b) Discuss factors influence strength of hardened concrete. (16)

15. (a) What is high performance concrete? Describe the tests to be performed to check the acceptability of any one high Performance concrete. (16)

Or

- (b) What is Geo polymer concrete? Discuss the parameter involved in the producing of Geo polymer concrete. (16)