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UPSC ENGINEERING SERVICES EXAMINATION

## Civil Engineering

### Test-5

**Section A : Building Material + Construction Practice [All Topics]**

**Section B : Planning and Management + Tunnelling [All Topics]**

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Question No.	Marks Obtained
Section-A	
Q.1	25
Q.2	28
Q.3	
Q.4	
Section-B	
Q.5	39
Q.6	
Q.7	47
Q.8	54
<b>Total Marks Obtained</b>	<b>193</b>

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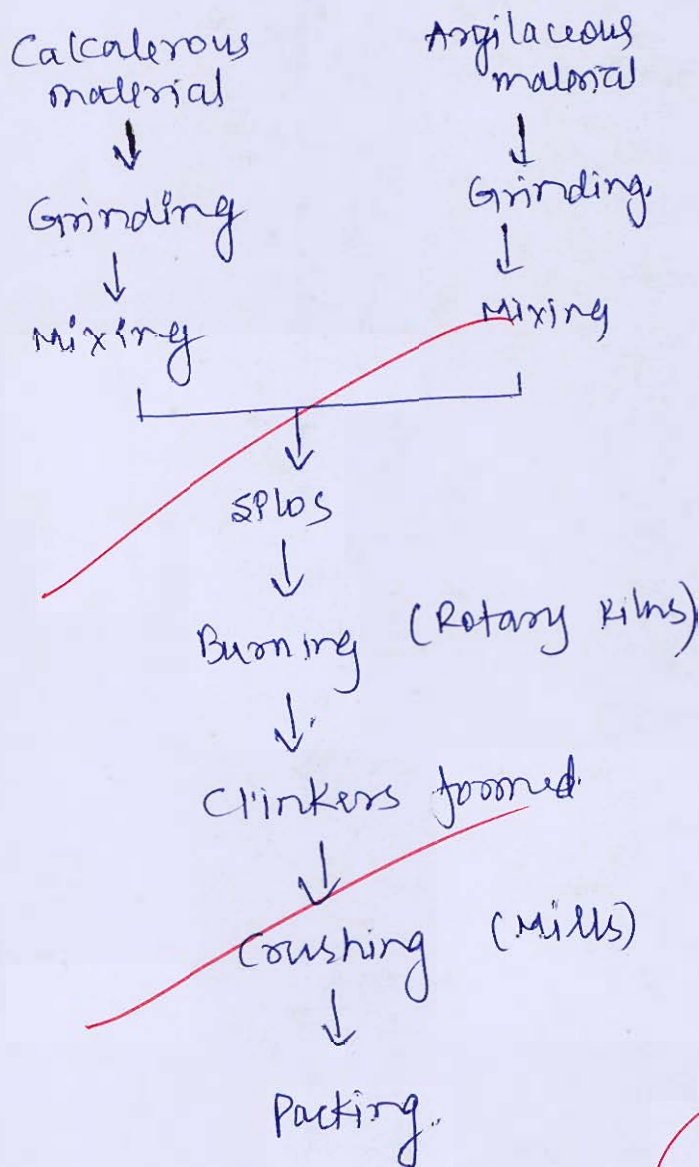
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## Section A : Building Material + Construction Practice

- a) Explain the process of manufacturing ordinary portland cement (OPC) by dry process with a neat flow diagram

[12 marks]









- b) Describe the initial and final setting time tests of cement. What are the standard values for OPC as per IS codes?

[12 marks]

### Initial setting time test

In this test a ~~cement~~ cement sample is taken & IST is found by Vicat apparatus test. Then a water content 0.85P (normal consistency) is taken & cement sample is made by 1:3 (cement: sand) ratio.

This sample is transferred in the Vicat apparatus & the plunger is lowered down, when the plunger attached with needle penetrates the sample by 5-7 mm from downward in the sample, that time is initial setting time.

For OPC,  $IST = 30 \text{ min}$

### Final setting time

Some ~~procedure~~ sample is left for hardening & the needle is changed with annular collar & if at that time when impression

is just made that time is FST

for ope , FST = 6 hrs

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Q.1 (c) Differentiate between seasoning of timber and preservation of timber. Explain any two methods of each of them.

[12 marks]

\* Seasoning of timber :- It is a process in which water content of the timber is reduced to a certain extent so that the timber doesn't get infected with fungus or get soft after some time.

methods of seasoning

a) chemical seasoning - In this method.



timber is dipped in the chemical salts solution & left for some time & due to osmosis, water content of the timber gets reduced.

Electrical seasoning :- In this method,

Alternating currents are passed through them due to which heat is generated & water inside gets to a lower content.

Preservation of timber

It is a method in which the seasoned timber is preserved from further decay or drying.

Methods

Charring :- Timber is placed in fire due to which at certain depth, charcoal is formed & preserves the timber.

AS Cu Treatment :- It is a solution made by Forest Institute to prevent the timber from white Ant.

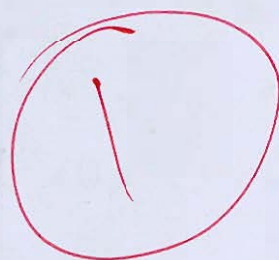


- Q.1 (d) (i) Discuss in detail the various impurities commonly found in lime.
- (ii) As per IS 712, classify lime into different classes. Mention the characteristics, composition, and typical uses of each class.

[4 + 8 = 12 marks]

i) Impurities in Lime

- a) Clay
- b) Silica
- c) Organic impurities
- d) Sulphur
- e) Magnesia
- f) Potash & Soda
- g) High Iron contents



ii) Lime can be classified as

- a) Hydraulic lime  $\frac{0}{0}$  Low percent of pure lime used in plastering made of 'Kam Kar'
- b) Fat lime :- High content of  $\text{CaO}$   
 $\text{CaO} > 95\%$   
For
- c) Slaked lime.

Lean lime or poor lime :- low content of  
pure lime.  
not of much use.

- Q.1 (e) (i) Mention the precautions to be taken during the application of cement paint.
- (ii) Mention the advantages and disadvantages of cement paint in comparison to other surface finishes.

[4 + 8 = 12 marks]

- i) proper coating should be done
- ii) no graining should be there
- iii) Sufficient opacity
- iv) No Blistering.





- (a) (i) Define ferrocement and fiber reinforced concrete. Discuss the advantages and typical applications of each.
- (ii) What is bacterial concrete? Explain the principle behind its self-healing mechanism. Discuss its advantages and limitations in concrete.

[12 + 8 = 20 marks]







- Q.2 (b)** (i) A concrete mix is to be proportioned with a water content of  $165 \text{ kg/m}^3$  and a target water-cement ratio of 0.52. However, due to aggressive environmental exposure, the maximum permissible water-cement ratio is limited to 0.45.
- Assuming that mortar occupies 58% of the total concrete volume (by volume), determine the required quantities of cement, fine aggregate, and coarse aggregate per  $\text{m}^3$  of concrete (in  $\text{kg/m}^3$ ). Neglect air voids in the mix.
- Take the specific gravities as follows:
- Cement: 3.10
  - Fine aggregate: 2.68
  - Coarse aggregate: 2.74
- (ii) Discuss how the following parameters influence the workability of fresh concrete. Provide a brief description for each of the following factors:
1. Size of aggregate
  2. Cement content
  3. Water-cement ratio
  4. Entrained air

[10 + 10 = 20 marks]

$$w/c = 0.45$$

$$\text{Quantity of cement} = \frac{165}{0.45} = 366.67 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$\text{vol. of cement} = \frac{366.67}{3.10 \times 10^3} = 0.1183 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{vol of water} = 0.165 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{total vol of cement + water} = 0.2833 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{vol}^m \text{ of mortar} = 0.58 \times 1 = 0.58 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{vol}^m \text{ of coarse agg} = 1 - 0.58 = 0.42 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{vol}^m \text{ of fine agg} = 0.2967 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mass of fine agg} &= 0.2967 \times 2.68 \times 10^3 \\ &= 795.16 \text{ kg/m}^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mass of coarse agg} &= 0.42 \times 2.74 \times 10^3 \\ &= 1150.8 \text{ kg/m}^3 \end{aligned}$$

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ii) Factors affecting workability

a) Size of agg :- Since coarse agg have lesser specific surface area than fine agg. the coarser aggregate will make more workable concrete if taken in equal quantity. Voids present in finer agg are more due to which water present for cement particles are less in fine agg which makes the concrete more harsh.

b) Cement content :- If there is more cement content than the max<sup>m</sup> cement content the concrete will be less workable. Due to the fine nature of the cement the water is consumed by the cement which makes ~~the~~ less water availability for the concrete.

c) w/c ratio :- w/c ratio b/w 0.4-0.5 is best suited for workable concrete. w/c ratio less than 0.4 can make concrete less workable & greater than that can make concrete bleed or the aggregate gets separated.



Q) Entrained air :- Entrained air increases the workability of the concrete. ~~As entrained air is composed of series of air voids which don't allow the water to get entrapped in the voids.~~ k



- (c) (i) Explain the mechanism of hydration of Portland cement with reference to the chemical reactions involved. Discuss the role of individual Bogue's compounds in strength development, setting behaviour, and heat of hydration.

Define the terms tobermorite and portlandite, and mention their relevance in the microstructure of hydrated cement paste.

Illustrate your answer with relevant graphs showing:

- Rate of hydration of various cement compounds
- Strength gain pattern of these products with time

- (ii) Differentiate between bound water and gel water, and explain their roles in hydration of cement.

[15 + 5 = 20 marks]

i) ~~Since~~ Portland cement is made of different material like, Lime (60-65%), Silica, Alumina,  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ , magnesia etc. When these items are mixed & heated ~~different types of~~ ~~Bogue's~~ compound are made like

$\text{C}_3\text{S}$  [Alite]  $\rightarrow$  Tricalcium Silicate

$\text{C}_2\text{S}$  [Belite]  $\rightarrow$  Dicalcium "

$\text{C}_3\text{A}$  [celite]  $\rightarrow$  Tricalcium Aluminate

$\text{C}_4\text{AF}$  [Feite]  $\rightarrow$  Tetra " " Ferrite

So, Due to ~~extensive~~ presence of  $\text{C}_3\text{A}$  &  $\text{C}_4\text{AF}$  ~~high~~ heat of hydration occurs.

Hydration ~~it~~ means when water is added to cement different compounds start to react with water & form  $\text{C-S-H}$  (gel) or tobermorite gel.

Due to ~~excess~~ of  $\text{C}_3\text{A}$ , high heat of hydration is released & ~~early~~ set occurs



## Role of Bogue's compound

C<sub>3</sub>S

Strength development :- Due to C<sub>3</sub>S, early strength is developed due to high heat of hydration

Setting :- Major amount of Bogue compound is found for C<sub>3</sub>S (40-50%) so it contributes in setting

HOH → High

C<sub>2</sub>S

Final strength is developed

Sufficient for setting contribution (30-40%)

Low HOH

C<sub>3</sub>A

Not much contribution in strength

Early setting

High HOH

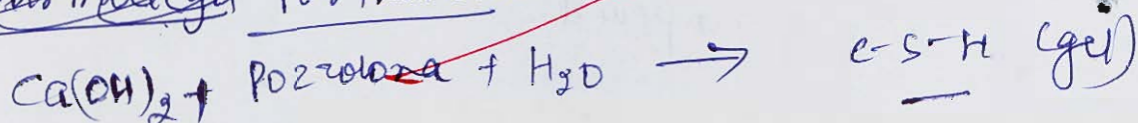
C<sub>4</sub>A

No contribution in strength

Early setting

High Rate of hydration

~~Potassium~~ Portlandite



tobermuto gel



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ii) Bound water :- It is the water which does not get involved in the reaction of cement particles with applied water. It is chemically inert & bound in the structure of cement particles.

Gel water :- It is the water which takes part in hydration of cement.

Generally we take 15% of water as gel water.

Gel water consumes water, so it is important to consider gel water for calculating w/c ratio.

Bound water doesn't take part in hydration.

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- a) (i) List and explain the major steps involved in concrete construction. Also, mention an important precaution to be taken during each step.
- (ii) Enumerate and explain the green attributes of lime that contribute to sustainable construction.

[10 + 10 = 20 marks]





- Q.3 (b)** (i) What are the characteristics of a good building stone?
- (ii) Discuss about the following types of brick masonry bonds with neat sketches:
- (I) English bond
  - (II) Flemish bond
  - (III) Double Flemish bond
  - (IV) Dutch bond

[10 + 10 = 20 marks]







- (c) (i) Write a short on plastering while highlighting the following:
- (I) Purpose of plastering
  - (II) Types of plasters
  - (III) Defects in plastering
  - (IV) Characteristics of an ideal plaster
- (ii) A sample of concrete is made with 450 g of cement with water-cement ratio as 0.48. Calculate the gel-space ratio and theoretical strength of the sample assuming:
- (I) full hydration
  - (II) 75% hydration
- (Assume 1 ml of cement on hydration produces 2.06 ml of gel.)
- [10 + 10 = 20 marks]**







- Q.4 (a) (i) Enumerate and discuss briefly about the classification of timber based on the following criteria:
- (I) Service life
  - (II) Availability
  - (III) Strength
  - (IV) Seasoning properties
- (ii) What are the advantages of aluminium as a building material?

[10 + 10 = 20 marks]







- (b) (i) What are admixtures? Describe the effects of retarders, accelerators and water proofing admixture on cement concrete with examples.
- (ii) Explain the phenomenon of bulking of sand and its significance. How is it determined?  
[10 + 10 = 20 marks]









(c) (i) Explain the various engineering or mechanical properties of glass.

(ii) Differentiate between thermosetting and thermoplastic resins.

[10 + 10 = 20 marks]



**Section B : Planning and Management + Tunnelling**

- (a) Information on the activities required for a medium-size civil engineering project is as follows :

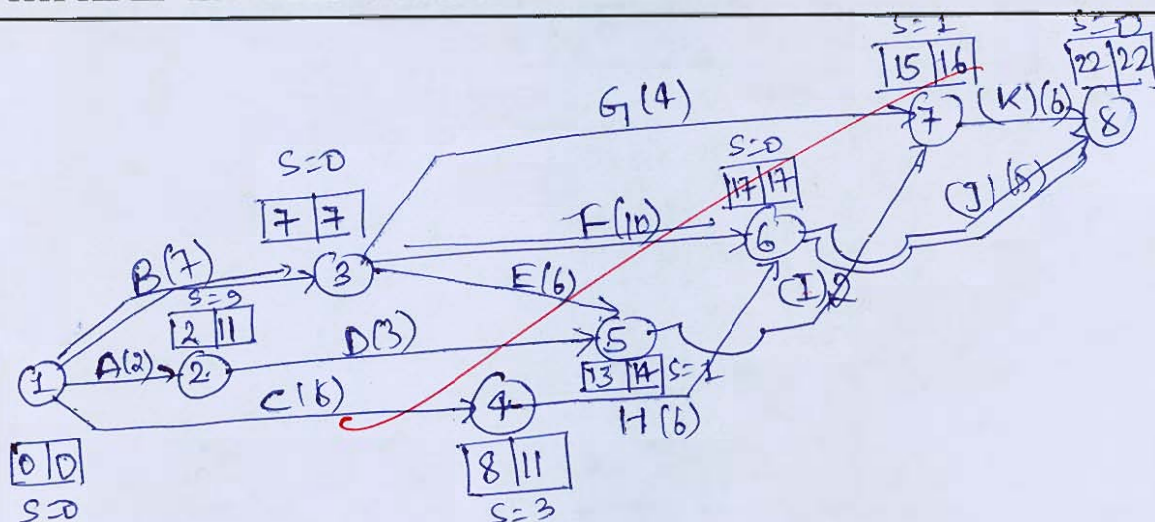
Activity	Node No.	Duration (in months)
A	1-2	02
B	1-3	07
C	1-4	08
D	2-5	03
E	3-5	06
F	3-6	10
G	3-7	04
H	4-6	06
I	5-7	02
J	6-8	05
K	7-8	06

Draw the network and calculate the following :

- (i) Earliest and latest event time
- (ii) Earliest and latest start time
- (iii) Earliest and latest finish time
- (iv) Total, free and independent float
- (v) Critical path

[12 marks]





Activity	Duration (months)	EST	EFF	LST	LFT	FI (LFT-EFT)	FF (LFT-SI)	(ID)FI = (FF-SI)
A	2	0	2	0	11	9	0	0
B	7	0	7	0	7	0	0	0
C	8	0	8	3	11	3	0	0
D	3	2	5	11	14	9	8	-1
E	6	7	13	8	14	1	0	0
F	10	7	17	7	17	0	0	0
G	4	7	11	12	16	5	4	4
H	6	8	14	11	17	3	3	0
I	2	13	15	14	16	1	0	-1
J	5	17	22	17	22	0	0	0
K	6	15	21	16	22	1	1	0

Critical path = (B-F-J)

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5 (b) Write short notes on the following:

- (i) Liquidated damage
- (ii) Tender drawing and working drawing
- (iii) Percentage rate contract
- (iv) Scaffolding
- (v) Turnkey contracts

[12 marks]

Soln:

- 1) Liquidated damage :- These are the predetermined compensation which any party ~~can~~ will give if any of the party breach the contract. This is done by mutual understanding by both the client & contractor. It is mentioned in contract about the compensation to be given by either of the parties



if anyone breach.

- ii) Tender drawing :- It is a preliminary drawing or just the layout of the site which is enclosed at the time of applying tender which gives the idea of the site where the work is going to be executed.
- working drawing :- It is the detailed drawing with the help of this drawing the work is executed at the site. In this proper c/s Area & Reinforcement details is given.
- iii) Percentage rate contract :- It is a type of contract that is done between client & contractor to execute the work given by the client. In this contract, the contractor gets a certain percentage of the Contracted Amount as profit upon completion of work.
- iv) Scaffolding :- It is a mechanism through which the labours or the masons work at a certain height of the building. It is combination of rods placed in vertical & horizontal directions by which the labours reach at

certain height to do the civil work.

V) Turnkey contracts :- It is a type of contract b/w client & contractor. In this the contractor do all the work without any intervention of the client & after completion of work, the client only comes to turn the key of the project to ~~the client~~ inaugurate the work.

This type of contract is mainly for small type of projects



5 (c) (i) Define slack. What does negative slack indicate in PERT network analysis?

(ii) Life of a building is 80 years and two choices are available for a particular component of the building.

Choice A: Initial and replacement cost as Rs. 4000 and life of component is 20 years.

Choice B: Initial and replacement cost as Rs. 6000

Life of the component is 40 years

Money worth is 5% determine the most economical choice.

[4 + 8 = 12 marks]



i) Slack :- It is the difference b/w the Early start time and Latest start time of  $i^{th}$  event & also difference of  $EFT - EFT$  of  $j^{th}$  event



$$S_i = LST - EST \quad , \quad S_j = LFT - EFT$$

Negative slack indicates there is insufficient time or resources to do the work.

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- 5 (d) (i) A project is expected to take 15 months along the critical path, having a standard deviation of 3 months. What is the probability of completing the project in (i) 15 months, (ii) 21 months, and (ii) 12 months? The probability percentage for different values of probability factor are as below:

15.87% for -1; 50.00% for 0; 97.72% for +2.

- (ii) What are the main advantages of A-O-N over A-O-A?

[6 + 6 = 12 marks]

$TE = 15 \text{ months}, \sigma = 3$

$z = \frac{Ts - TE}{\sigma} = \frac{0}{3} = 0, P = 50\%$

$z = \frac{21 - 15}{3} = 2, P = 97.72\%$

$z = \frac{12 - 15}{3} = -1, P = 15.87\%$

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- 5 (e) The interdependence of a job consisting of seven activities A to G is given in table below.

Activity	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Predecessor activity	–	–	A	B	A	B	C, D
Succeeding activity	C, E	D, F	G	G	–		

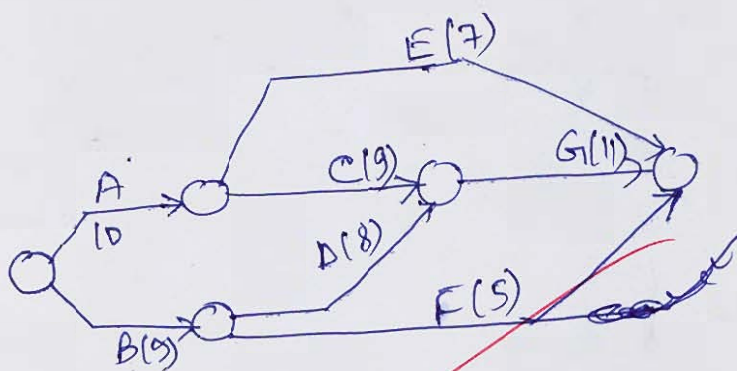
The time estimates (in days) for each activity are as given below.

Activity	Time estimates	Z(+)	% Probability
A	6 – 9 – 18	0.8	78.81
B	5 – 8 – 17	0.9	81.59
C	4 – 7 – 22	1.0	84.13
D	4 – 7 – 16	1.1	86.43
E	4 – 7 – 10	1.2	88.49
F	2 – 5 – 8		
G	4 – 10 – 22		

Draw the network and determine the probability of completing the job in 35 days.

[12 marks]





Activity	$t_o$	$t_L$	$t_p$	$t_E = \frac{t_o + 4t_p + t_L}{6}$	$\sigma = \frac{t_L - t_o}{6}$	$\sigma^2$
A	8	9	18	10	2	4
B	5	8	17	9	2	4
C	4	7	22	9	3	9
D	4	7	16	8	2	4
E	4	7	10	7	1	1
F	2	5	8	5	1	1
G	4	10	22	11	3	9

Critical path = A - C - G = 30 days

$$\sigma_c = \sqrt{\sigma_A^2 + \sigma_C^2 + \sigma_G^2} = 4.69$$

$T_S = 35$  days

$$Z = \frac{T_S - T_E}{\sigma} = 1.066$$

By Interpolation

$$Z \rightarrow \text{Probability} = 85.648\%$$

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- 5 (a) (i) Explain the purpose of dragline alongwith its advantages.
- (ii) Draw schematic diagram showing various components of a dragline.
- (iii) List the factors which affect output of a dragline.

[20 marks]



- (b) (i) For preparing 1 cum brick ballast of 40 mm gauge from overburnt bricks; one uses 1.1 cum of overburnt bricks; and 4 labour-days are assignable for 3 cum of ballast. Cost of bricks is Rs. 250 per cum; labour is costed at Rs. 19 per head per day. Prepare in tabular form a rate analysis providing for other necessary details at your discretion.
- (ii) What is Break Even Analysis? Write functions and limitations of break even analysis.

[10 + 10 = 20 marks]







- Q.6 (c) (i) Calculate the time required to grade and finish 60 km of a National Highway in two phases of 30 km length covered in each. Width of road formation is 8 lanes of 3.75 m each.

Width of motor grader = 3.0 m

No. of passes = 20

Details of speed on each two successive passes:

Passes	1 and 2	3 and 4	5 and 6	7 and 8	9 and 10	11 and 12	13 and 14	15 and 16	17 and 18	19 and 20
Speed	5 kmph	6 kmph	7 kmph	9 kmph	6 kmph	8 kmph	9 kmph	11 kmph	11 kmph	8 kmph

Operator efficiency is found to be an average of 70% and machine efficiency and working conditions efficiency is 85%.

- (ii) List the sequence of operations to be carried out during the construction of a tunnel.

[12 + 8 = 20 marks]

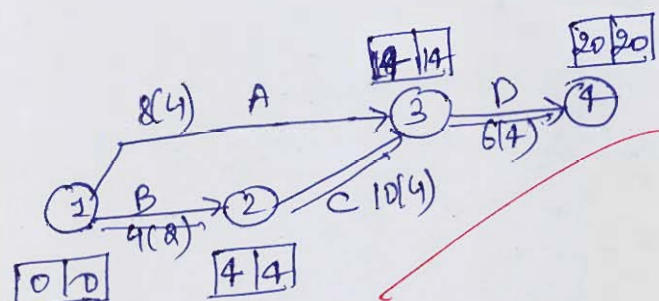


- Q.7 (a) A, B, C and D are the activities of a CPM network. Their normal and crash durations and associated costs are given in the table below:

Activity	Normal duration (in days)	Normal cost (Rs.)	Crash duration (in days)	Crash cost (Rs.)
A	8	6,000	4	12,000
B	4	2,000	2	14,000
C	10	4,000	4	8,000
D	6	4,000	4	8,000

For the entire project the indirect cost is Rs. 1000 per day. A and B are starting activities; C follows B; D follows A and C; D is the finishing activity. Draw CPM Network. Calculate points for PTC graph and plot the same. Determine the optimum cost and optimum duration for the project. [PTC is Project-Time-Cost-Trade-Off graph].

[20 marks]



Activity	$t_n$	$t_c$	$C_n$	$C_c$	Cost slope = $\frac{C_c - C_n}{t_c - t_n}$
A	8	4	6000	12000	1500
B	4	2	2000	14000	6000
C	10	4	4000	8000	666.67
D	6	4	4000	8000	2000
			16000		



$$\text{Total cost} = 16000 + 20 \times 1000 = \underline{\text{RS } 36000}$$

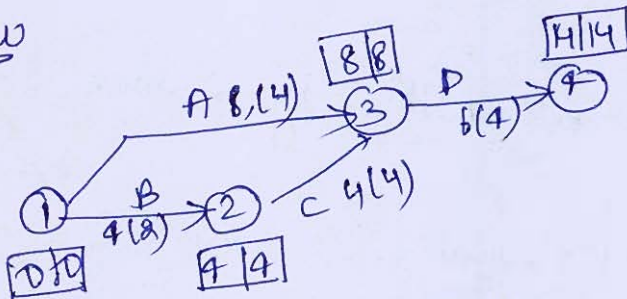
① Crashing Activity 'c' by 6 days

$$\text{Increase in DC} = 666.67 \times 6 = 4000$$

$$\text{Decrease in IDC} = 6 \times 1000 = \underline{6000}$$

$$\text{Total cost} = 36000 + 4000 - 6000 = \underline{\text{RS } 34000}, t = 14 \text{ days}$$

Now



Two CP  $\rightarrow$  1-3-4  
2  
1-2-3-4

Crashing Activity 'D' by 1 day

$$\text{Total cost} = 34000 + 2000 - 1000 = 35000$$

So, Cost increases

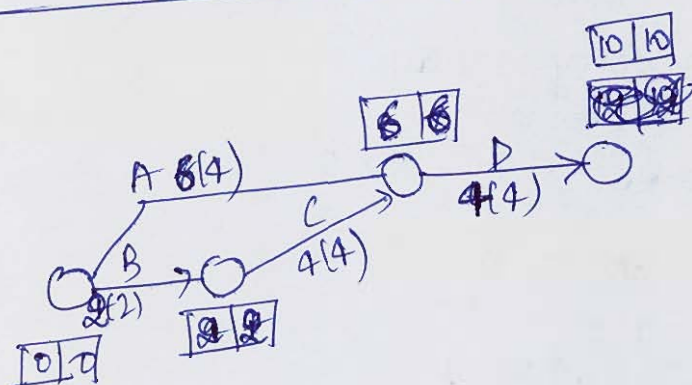
$$\therefore \text{Optimum cost} = \underline{\text{RS } 34000}$$

$$\text{Optimum duration} = \underline{14 \text{ days}}$$

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Now for min<sup>m</sup> ~~total~~ duration



\* crashing Activity D by 2 days

$$TC = 34000 + 4000 - 2000 = \text{RS } 35000$$

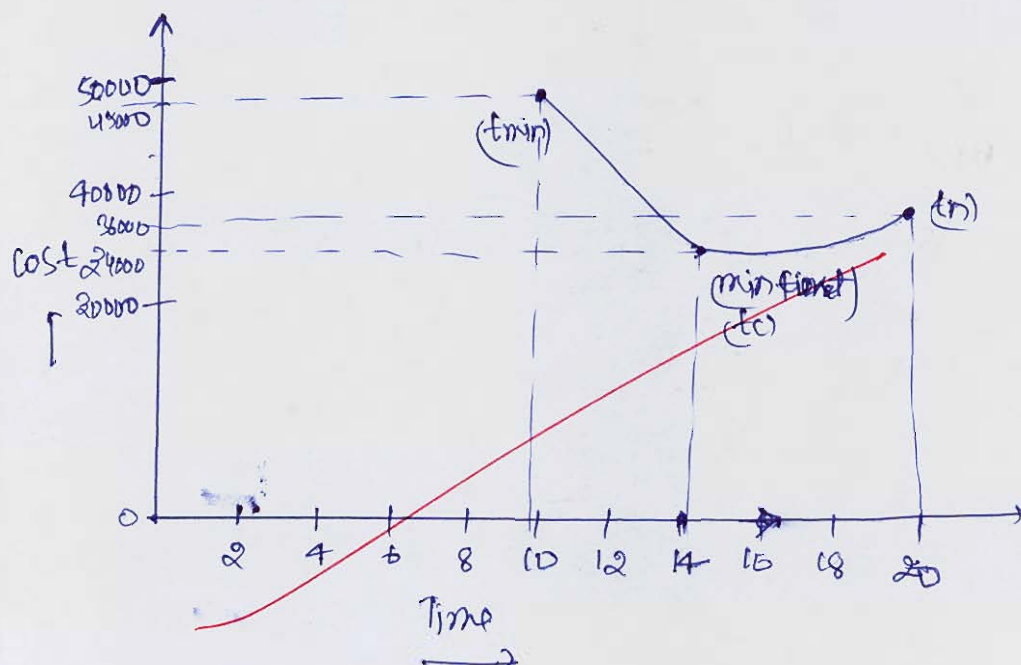
\* crashing Activity A & B both by 2 days

$$TC = 36000 + 2 \times 1500 + 2 \times 6000 - 2 \times 1000$$

$$= \text{RS } 49000$$

$$\text{Max}^m \text{ cost} = \text{RS } 49000$$

$$\text{Min}^m \text{ day} = 10 \text{ days}$$





- Q.7 (b)
- (i) Write short notes on the following construction equipment:
    1. Clamshell
    2. Hoe
  - (ii) What is a revised estimate and what is a supplementary estimate? In what contexts are they respectively prepared?
  - (iii) What is 'escalation' in the context of construction contracts?
  - (iv) What is EPF in the context of welfare measures for construction workers?

[4 + 8 + 4 + 4 = 20 marks]

- i) 1) clamshell :- It is an earth excavation equipment. This type of excavating equipment mainly do vertical excavation upto certain ~~depth~~ depth. This equipment can excavate medium-hard soils.
- 2) Hoe :- It is an earth excavation equipment. This equipment excavate the soil from ground level to certain ~~depth~~ depth. operating efficiency



depends on cycle time, ~~and~~ which includes loading time, unloading time, Gear shifting time etc.

→ Revised estimate :- It is an estimate which is made due to the unforeseen circumstances like increase in material cost, Labour cost, site modifications etc. When an earlier estimate is made & there is change in the quantities of the material or addition of new items that estimate is called revised estimate.

For this revised estimate, Engineers have to take approval from senior authorities again & the earlier estimate will be nullified.

Supplementary estimate :- This estimate is made in addition to the current estimate upon which work is going on. This estimate is made due to addition of new works in the same site or plan in which work is going on.



For this the Engineers have to also get approval from senior authorities.

3.) Escalation :- It is a clause in the construction contracts which tells about the increase in payment or wages of the labour if the economic condition changes.

Due to inflation, the cost of the material can also increase & a big project can take several years to get complete & due to inflation the material cost or labour cost can increase. Then, the client had to do payment on escalated price.

7.) EPF :- Employee Provident Fund

It is a welfare scheme for the employees or the labours of a company.

In this ~~the~~ some amount of the wages of the employee is cut & some amount

from its own side company contributes to the provident fund.

A cumulative amount is saved every month for the employee for the future requirements.

• An Employee can use this amount at any certain time by easy withdrawal method from the government website.

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- Q.7 (c) (i) Define contracts. What are essentials of a contract?  
(ii) Explain in detail Economic Order Quantity (EOQ)?

[12 + 8 = 20 marks]

i) Contracts :- It is a legal binding of the two parties i.e. client and contractor which explain the different requirement of the client which contractor has to fulfill & which type of material to be used, which equipments & different technology the client want to pursue during the construction. It is enforceable by the law. If any one of the parties breach the clauses of the contract one can go to court for the breaching.

\* Essentials of contract

- i) Offer      ii) Acceptance      iii) Consideration
- iv) Legally competent parties      v) Meeting of minds
- vi) Terms of contract      vii) Purpose of construction

For contract to be secured between two or more parties

There must be an offer from the client to get the work completed

After that, a contractor must accept the work to do the certain work.

Both the parties should be competent enough to get the work complete.

The terms of contract should be mutually considered.

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Economic order Quantity =  $\sqrt{\frac{2DC}{H}}$

H = Holding cost

D = ordering cost

C = no of units

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Q.8 (a) For an asset having initial cost of Rs. 2 lakh and a salvage value of Rs. 50,000 at the end of economic life of 5 years, determine the annual depreciation and the book value at the end of each year during economic life of asset from the following methods:

- (i) Straight line method
- (ii) Sum of declining digit method
- (iii) Double decline balance method
- (iv) Sinking fund factor method

(Assume rate of interest for sinking fund as 8%.)

[20 marks]

Soln:

$$I.C = 2,00,000, \quad SV = 50,000, \quad t = 5 \text{ yrs}$$

1) Straight line method

$$D = \frac{I.C - S.V}{t} = \frac{2,00,000 - 50,000}{5} = 30,000$$

$$B_2 = 30,000$$

$$B_3 = 30,000$$

$$B_4 = 30,000$$

$$B_5 = 30,000$$

$$B_2 = 1,40,000$$

$$B_3 = 1,10,000$$

$$B_4 = 80,000$$

$$B_5 = 50,000$$

Sum of Declining method

$$D_m = \frac{(r \cdot m + 1)}{n(n+1)} \times (C_i - C_s)$$

$$D_1 = \frac{5 \cdot 1 + 1}{5 \times \frac{5+1}{2}} \times (2,00,000 - 50,000) = 50,000$$

$$D_2 = 40,000$$

$$D_3 = 30,000$$

$$D_4 = 20,000$$

$$D_5 = 10,000$$

$$B_1 = 2,00,000 - 50,000 = 1,50,000$$

$$B_2 = 1,10,000$$

$$B_3 = 80,000$$

$$B_4 = 60,000$$

$$B_5 = 50,000$$

Double declining method

$$\text{Rate of declining} = \frac{2}{n} = \frac{2}{5} = 0.4$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 &= 1,50,000 \times 0.4 = 60,000 \\ D_2 &= 90,000 \times 0.4 = 36,000 \\ D_3 &= 54,000 \times 0.4 = 21,600 \end{aligned}$$

$$B_1 = 1,20,000$$

$$B_2 = 72,000$$

$$B_3 = 43,200$$

But, Salvage value = 50,000

$$D_3 = 72,000 - 50,000 = 22,000$$

$$B_3 = 50,000$$

$$D_4 = 0$$

$$D_5 = 0$$

$$B_4 = 50,000$$

$$B_5 = 50,000$$



iv) Sinking fund factor

$$P_0 = \frac{(C_i - C_s) \times i^6}{(1+i)^n - 1} = \text{RS } 25568.468$$

$$D_m = D(1+i)^{m-1}$$

$$D_1 = D = 25568.468$$

$$D_2 = \text{RS } 27613.94$$

$$D_3 = \text{RS } 29823.06$$

$$D_4 = \text{RS } 32208.90$$

$$D_5 = \text{RS } 34785.618$$

$$B_1 = \text{RS } 174431.53$$

$$B_2 = \text{RS } 1,46,817.58$$

$$B_3 = \text{RS } 116994.518$$

$$B_4 = \text{RS } 89785.61$$

$$B_5 = \text{RS } 50,000$$

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- Q.8(b) (i) On a road project, a power shovel is to be used for the excavation of 296000 cum (BMV) of common earth. The ideal output of a power shovel with 0.955 cu. m bucket is 126 cum/hour. The depth-swing correction factor and job-management factor can be taken as 0.86 and 0.80 respectively. Assuming 42 working hours per week and operating time per year as 46 weeks, find the time required in years to complete the project. Also find the number of power shovels needed with above specifications if the same work is to be completed in 1000 working hours.
- (Assume operating efficiency as 45 min/hour)
- (ii) List down the factors which affect the selection of a construction equipment. How will you determine the economic life of an equipment? Explain with the help of a suitable example.

[10 + 10 = 20 marks]

$$V = 296000 \text{ m}^3$$

Power shovel

$$V = 0.955 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{output} = 126 \text{ m}^3/\text{hr}, \eta_0 = 0.86 \times 0.8 = 0.688$$

$$\text{Total working hr} = 42 \times 46 \\ \text{per year} = 1932 \text{ hrs}$$

$$\text{One cycle time} = \underline{45 \text{ min/hr}}$$

$$\text{Actual output} = 126 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{hr}} \times \eta_0 = 86.888 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{hr}}$$

$$\text{Total time req for excavation} = \frac{296000}{86.888}$$

$$= \underline{3414.54 \text{ hr}}$$

$$\text{Time req in yrs} = \frac{3414.54}{1932} = \underline{1.767 \text{ yrs}}$$

to complete the work

$$\text{No. of power shovels} \quad \left( \text{cycle time} = \frac{45 \text{ min}}{\text{hr}} = 0.75 \right)$$

$$\text{Output of shovel in 1000 hrs} = 86.888 \times 0.75 \times 1000 \\ = 65016 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{No. of power shovel} = \frac{296000}{65016} = 4.55$$

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~~5 shovels~~



- Do 11)
- Factors affecting the selection of equipment
- a) cost of the equipment
  - b) ~~Site conditions~~
  - c) ~~operating efficiency~~
  - d) ~~Depreciation of the equipment~~
  - e) ~~Investment to be done per year for proper functioning~~
  - f) ~~Maintenance requirements~~
  - g) ~~Availability of different parts in local areas~~
  - h) ~~Person to operate the equipment.~~

### Economic life

It can be determined by the calculating the depreciation of the equipment. Initial cost is known & ~~Salvage value is also known~~ from this we can calculate the economic life. Also, Investment which we have to make per year to ~~maintain the equipment~~ is also considered while calculating the life

- e) Discuss the various methods of tunneling in hard rocks and their advantages and disadvantages (if any).

[20 marks]

Various method of Tunneling in hard rock

Heading & Benching method.

Drift method.

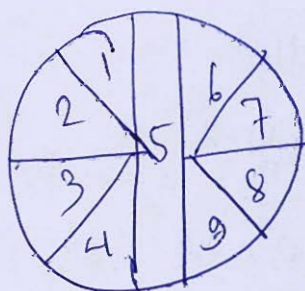
Tunnel Boring machine

Drill & Blast method.

Heading & benching method :- In this method

a ~~portion~~ top portion of the tunnel is excavated that is called Heading which is resting on bottom portion called as Benching

Drift method :- In this method different



Sections is made &  
a ~~basic~~ portion is

selected for drilling

& then the excavation is started from that



portion & Section by section drilling starts.

→ Tunnel Boring machine :- It is most used equipment for tunnelling. In this the TBM starts from one side of the tunnel & starts drilling towards the other side. It has self mechanised system in which water is sprayed from TBM which helps in drilling.

→ Drill & Blast method :- In this method, explosive are used to make a section clear from the hard rocks & make hard rocks is soft for easier drilling purpose. Explosives used are Ammonium Nitrate etc.

### Advantages

Heading & Borehole :- More area of tunnel is drilled at a time

Disadvantage :- Very complicated process &

different logs of woods are used for excavation.

### Drift method

Advantages :- Easier in comparison to other method

Disadvantages :- Very lengthy process

### TBM

Disadvantage :- i) Cost of the equipment  
ii) How to properly use

Advantage :- i) No need of labour for excavating ~~more~~  
ii) Less time taken

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### Drill & blast

Advantage :- i) Less time

Disadvantage :- i) Explosives can break the rock due to which land slide can occur

ii) Cost of explosive is high

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