

BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND SCIENCE, PILANI

SECOND SEMESTER 2021 – 2022

DESIGN OF PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STRUCTURE (MID-SEMESTER EXAMINATION)

Course No: CE F415 (Close Book) Time = 1.5 hours

Total Marks: 50

Attempt all questions. Assume suitable data if necessary.

Q1. Answer the following questions

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- a) What is the functional difference between an unbonded tendon with a bonded tendon?
- b) What is flexure-shear crack?
- c) What is the necessity of using only high strength concrete in pre-stressed concrete?
- d) Differentiate between partial prestressing and full prestressing.
- e) What is a Class-1 structure in prestressed concrete design?

Q2. A rectangular concrete beam having cross sectional dimensions- 200 mm width and 400 mm depth and having a span of 6 metres is pretensioned by a force of 200 kN at an eccentricity of +100 mm. If the beam is carrying a transversely acting concentrated load of 10 kN at mid-span, taking the weight density of concrete to be 24 kN/m³, determine-

- a) the stresses developed at top and bottom fibre of the beam cross section at the centre of the span of the beam.
- b) determine the location of the pressure line at mid-span and at quarter spans. 15

Q3. A rectangular beam of length 8 meters and having cross section 250 mm wide and 500 mm deep is simply supported and post tensioned by 4 number of cables in two layers. The bottom two cables are straight and are located at 50 mm from the soffit. The top two cables are parabolic with eccentricities +150 mm. at midspan and -120 mm at support. The cables are stressed to an initial pre-stress of 1200 N/mm². The cross-sectional dimension of each cable is 100 mm². Compute the overall percentage loss of pre-stress due to elastic shortening of concrete, if the two cables at bottom layer are post-tensioned one-by-one first, followed by successive post-tensioning of the other two cables- one after another. Assume modular ratio to be 6. 10

Q4. A rectangular beam having span of 6 metre and cross sections 125 mm width and 250 mm depth is pretensioned with a straight cable at eccentricity +40 mm. The initial prestressing force is 190 kN. Assuming the beam to be un-cracked, compute-

- a) The immediate short term maximum deflection due to pre-stress, self-weight and a live load of 3.75 kN/m. Deflection due to straight profile of the cable may be assumed as

$$a_p = -\frac{PeL^2}{8EI}$$

- b) The long-term maximum deflection considering 20% overall loss of prestress, using

Lin's approximate formula: $a_s = \left[a_{i1} - a_{ip} \frac{P_t}{P_i} \right] (1 + \phi)$. Weight density of concrete to

be 24 kN/m³, $E_c = 40 \text{ kN/mm}^2$, Creep coefficient = 1.6.

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