

**DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN ENGINEERING/TECHNOLOGY/  
MANAGEMENT/COMMERCIAL PRACTICE, NOVEMBER – 2024**

**GROUND IMPROVEMENT TECHNIQUES**

[Maximum Marks: 75]

[Time: 3 Hours]

**PART-A**

**I. Answer ‘all’ the following questions in one word or one sentence. Each question carries ‘one’ mark.**

**(9 x 1 = 9 Marks)**

		<small>Module Outcome</small>	<small>Cognitive level</small>
1.	Sheep foot rollers are ideal for compaction of-----type of soil.	M1.02	U
2.	Zero air void line corresponds to-----degree of saturation.	M1.02	U
3.	The moisture content at maximum value of dry density is known as-----	M1.02	R
4.	The process of injecting a fluid like material into the soil for improving the soil properties is known as -----	M2.03	R
5.	Groutability is defined as the ratio of-----and-----	M2.03	R
6.	The raw materials used for the manufacturing of geosynthetics are-----	M3.04	U
7.	Type of geosynthetics used as flexible barriers and liners are-----	M3.04	A
8.	Consolidation is the process of elimination of-----and-----from the soil.	M4.01	U
9.	The unit of measurement of Coefficient of consolidation (Cv) is -----	M4.03	A

**PART-B**

**II. Answer any ‘eight’ questions from the following. Each question carries ‘three’ marks.**

**(8 x 3 = 24 Marks)**

		<small>Module Outcome</small>	<small>Cognitive level</small>
1.	List the various mechanical methods available for ground improvement.	M1.01	R
2.	Name the various dewatering systems.	M1.03	U
3.	Write notes on compaction and compaction curve.	M1.02	U
4.	Write notes on solution and suspension grouts.	M2.03	U
5.	List the various objectives of grouting.	M2.03	U
6.	Write notes on bituminous stabilization.	M2.01	U
7.	Write notes on the application of grouting in dam seepage control.	M2.04	U
8.	List the various functions of geosynthetics.	M3.04	U
9.	Differentiate between geotextile and geogrid.	M3.04	A
10.	Write notes on the sand drains.	M4.04	U

**PART-C**

Answer 'all' questions from the following. Each question carries 'seven' marks.

(6 x 7 = 42 Marks)

		Module Outcome	Cognitive level
III.	Explain the various types of rollers used for shallow surface compaction of soil.  <b>OR</b>	M1.02	R
IV.	Explain about stone columns and their mechanism of installation.	M1.04	R
V.	Explain the various application of grouting.  <b>OR</b>	M2.04	U
VI.	Discuss on the soil stabilization using cement.	M2.01	U
VII.	Explain the soil reinforcement and its mechanism.  <b>OR</b>	M3.01	U
VIII.	Explain the various civil engineering applications of geosynthetics.	M3.04	A
IX.	Write notes on the various types of geosynthetics and its functions.  <b>OR</b>	M3.04	U
X.	Explain the function of geosynthetics when used as soil reinforcement.	M3.04	A
XI.	Write notes on the preloading techniques.  <b>OR</b>	M4.04	U
XII.	List the differences between consolidation and compaction.	M4.01	U
XIII.	Write notes on vertical drains.  <b>OR</b>	M4.04	U
XIV.	Explain the Terzaghi's spring analogy test for consolidation.	M4.02	R

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