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**First Semester, M. Tech - Civil Engineering (MCAD)**

**Semester End Examination; Jan/Feb - 2016**

**Construction Project Management and Structural Optimization**

*Time: 3 hrs*

*Max. Marks: 100*

**Note:** i) Answer **FIVE** full questions, selecting **ONE** full question from each unit.  
ii) Any missing data may be suitably assumed.

**UNIT - I**

- 1 a. What is bar chart? What are the short comings of bar charts? How are these removed? 10
- b. Explain Work break down structure. Prepare the Work break down structure for house construction project. 10
- 2. a. Explain the terms : 10
  - i) Project planning      ii) Project scheduling      iii) Project controlling.
- b. Explain the terms : 10
  - i) Job layout      ii) Bar chart      iii) Work break down structure.

**UNIT - II**

3. A project has the following time schedule :

Activity	Time in Weeks	Activity	Time in Weeks
1 - 2	4	5 - 7	8
1 - 3	1	6 - 8	1
2 - 4	1	7 - 8	2
3 - 4	1	8 - 9	1
3 - 5	6	8 - 10	8
4 - 9	5	9 - 10	7
5 - 6	4		

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Construct PERT network and compute :

- i) (T<sub>E</sub>) EARLIEST TIME and (T<sub>L</sub>) LATEST TIME for each event.
  - ii) Float for each activity
  - iii) Critical path and its duration
4. A project has the following time schedule :

Activity	Time in Months	Activity	Time in Months
1-2	2	4-6	3
1-3	2	5-8	1
1-4	1	6-9	5
2-5	4	7-8	4
3-6	8	8-9	3
3-7	5		

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- i) Construct PERT network.
- ii) Compute Total Float for each activity.
- iii) Critical path and its duration.

Also find the minimum number of cranes the project must have for its activities 2 - 5, 3 - 7 and 8 - 9 without delaying the project. Then, is there any change required in PERT Network? If so indicate the same.

**UNIT - III**

5. The following data pertains to a CPM network :

ACTIVITY	NORMAL		CRASH	
	Time (Weeks)	Cost (Rs)	Time (Weeks)	Cost (Rs)
1 - 2	8	7000	3	10,000
1 - 3	4	6000	2	8,000
2 - 3	0	0	0	0
2 - 5	6	9000	1	11,500
3 - 4	7	2500	5	3,000
4 - 6	12	10,000	8	16,000
5 - 6	15	12,000	10	16,000
5 - 7	7	12,000	6	14,000
6 - 8	5	10,000	5	10,000
7 - 8	14	6,000	7	7,400
7 - 9	8	6,000	5	12,000
8 - 9	6	6,000	4	7,800

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The project indirect cost is 1000/week.

- i) Draw the network for the project.
  - ii) What is the normal project length and normal project cost.
  - iii) Find the optimum duration and minimum project cost.
  - iv) If all the activities are crashed, what will be the project duration and corresponding cost?
6. Table below shows, jobs, their normal time and cost and crash time and cost for a project :

JOB	NORMAL		CRASH	
	Time (days)	Cost (Rs)	Time (days)	Cost (Rs)
1 - 2	6	1400	4	1900
1 - 3	8	2000	5	2800
2 - 3	4	1100	2	1500
2 - 4	3	800	2	1400
3 - 4	0	0	0	0
3 - 5	6	900	3	1600
4 - 6	10	2500	6	3500
5 - 6	3	500	2	800

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Indirect cost for the project is Rs. 300 per day.

- i) Draw the network of the project
- ii) What is the normal duration cost?
- iii) If all the activities are crashed, what will be the project duration and corresponding cost?
- iv) Find the optimum duration and minimum project cost.

**UNIT - IV**

- 7 a. Obtain the set of necessary conditions for the non-linear programming problem :

*Maximise*  $Z = X_1^2 + 3X_2^2 + 5X_3^2,$

subject to the constraints :

$X_1 + X_2 + 3X_3 = 2$

$5X_1 + 2X_2 + X_3 = 5$

$X_1, X_2, X_3 \geq 0.$

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- b. State and prove Kuhn - Tucker necessary condition in non linear programming.

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- 8 a. State and prove Kuhn - Tucker sufficient conditions in non linear programming.

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- b. State fire engineering applications of optimization.

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- c. Write a note on various methods of solving linear programming problems.

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**UNIT - V**

9. Use simplex method to solve the LPP,

*Maximise*  $Z = 3X_1 + 2X_2$

subject to :

$X_1 + X_2 \leq 4$

$X_1 - X_2 \leq 2$  and  $X_1, X_2 \geq 0.$

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10. Solve the following LPP by simplex method,

$Z_{\min} = X_1 - 3X_2 + 2X_3$

subject to :

$3X_1 - X_2 + 2X_3 \leq 7$

$-2X_1 + 4X_2 \leq 12$

$-4X_1 + 3X_2 + 8X_3 \leq 10.$

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