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**Fourth Semester, B.E. - Civil Engineering
Semester End Examination; May/June - 2019
Highway Engineering**

Time: 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 100

Note: i) Answer FIVE full questions, selecting ONE full question from each unit.

ii) Missing data, if any may suitably assumed. iii) Use of IRC-37-2001 is permitted.

UNIT - I

- 1 a. What are the advantages and disadvantages of different modes of transportation? 6
- b. Explain briefly the following : 6
 - i) Indian Roads Congress (IRC) ii) Central Road Fund (CRF)
- c. The area of district is 8400 m². There are 9 towns with population greater than 5000. Calculate the length of NH, SH, MDR and ODR + VR as per third twenty year road plan. 8
- 2 a. Define saturation system of road planning. 6
- b. Outline the essential features of road development plan vision-2021. 6
- c. There are four alternate proposals P, Q, R and S as given below. Suggest the order of priority for phasing based on the utility units 0.25, 0.5, 1 and 2.5 for the four population ranges and 1.00 per 1000 tonnes of agricultural and industrial products served.

Proposal	Total road length km	Number of villages served with population range				Total Agricultural and industrial production in 1000 tonnes
		1001 - 2000	2001 - 2000	5001-10000	>10000	
P	300	160	80	30	6	200
Q	400	200	90	60	8	270
R	500	240	110	70	10	315
S	550	248	112	73	12	335

UNIT - II

- 3 a. Explain the various factors governing geometric design of a highway. 10
- b. The speeds of overtaking and over taken vehicles are 85 and 65 kmph respectively on a two way traffic road. The average acceleration during overtaking may be average assumed as 0.99 m/s²;
 - i) Calculate safe overtaking sight distance 10
 - ii) What is the minimum length of overtaking zone?
 - iii) Draw a neat sketch of overtaking zone and show the positions of the sign posts
- 4 a. List the object of providing super elevation and extra widening of pavement on horizontal curves. 6
- b. Design the super elevation at the highway curve having radius of 300 m. The design speed may be taken as 100 kmph. 6

- c. Calculate the length of transition curve at the horizontal curve of radius 300 m. For a design speed of 80 kmph by three methods using following data :
 - i) Rate of introduction of super elevation = 1 in 150
 - ii) Total width of pavements at curve = 7.6 m

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UNIT - III

- 5 a. Explain CBR test conducted on soil specimen in laboratory with neat sketch.
- b. What are the tests conducted to judge the desirable properties and suitability of the following highway materials :
 - i) Road aggregates
 - ii) Bitumen binder
- c. A plate load test was conducted on a soaked subgrade during monsoon season using a plate diameter of 30 cm. The load values corresponding to the mean settlement dial readings are given below. Determine the modulus of subgrade reaction for the standard plate.

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Mean settlement values, mm	0.0	0.24	0.52	0.76	1.02	1.23	1.53	1.76
Load value, kg	0.0	460	900	1180	1360	1480	1590	1640

- 6 a. Distinguish between bitumen and tar.
- b. Explain procedure for construction of wet mix macadam.
- c. Explain the construction step for cement concrete road.

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UNIT - IV

- 7 a. Differentiate between Flexible and Rigid pavement.
- b. Explain the components of flexible pavement with typical cross section.
- c. Design the flexible pavement for construction of a new highway (NH / TWO lane / Single carriageway) with the following data as per IRC:37-2001 :
 - i) Number of commercial vehicles as per last count = 1000 CVPD
 - ii) Period of construction = 3 years
 - iii) Design life = 3 years
 - iv) Annual growth rate = 8%
 - v) Design CBR of sub grade soil = 6%

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- 8 a. Explain various joints provided in the cement concrete pavement with neat sketches.
- b. Explain the factors that affect design and performance of highway pavements.

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UNIT - V

- 9 a. List the requirement of an highway drainage system.
- b. Explain the methods of sub-surface drainage to control the seepage flow and capillary rise of water.
- c. Write a brief note on the importance of highway maintenance works.
- 10 a. Brief out the causes of deterioration and damages to road pavements.
- b. List and explain the types of highway maintenance works.

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