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P.E.S. College of Engineering, Mandya - 571 401

(An Autonomous Institution affiliated to VTU, Belagavi)

Seventh Semester, B.E. - Civil Engineering

Semester End Examination; Dec. - 2019

Ground Improvement Techniques

Time: 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 100

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

UNIT - I

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| 1 a. | List and explain the objectives of ground improvement. | 6 |
| b. | Briefly explain the different groups of ground improvements. | 8 |
| c. | What are the factors, which govern the choice of method of ground improvement? | 6 |
| 2 a. | Explain explosion method of group improvement. Bring out the advantages of the method. | 10 |
| b. | How is compaction carried out in the field? Discuss the suitability of different types of rollers for field compaction. | 10 |

UNIT - II

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| 3 a. | Explain why ground water and seepage needs to controlled? | 10 |
| b. | Describe the essential steps involved in designing a dewatering system. | 10 |
| 4 a. | Write short note on preloading techniques. | 10 |
| b. | What are Drains? Explain the different types of Drains. | 10 |

UNIT - III

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| 5 a. | Discuss the factors affecting the properties of cement soils. | 10 |
| b. | Discuss the use of fly ash in cement stabilization. | 10 |
| 6 a. | What is lime stabilization? Discuss the mechanism of the same with baric reactions. | 10 |
| b. | Write short note on Bitumen stabilization. | 10 |

UNIT - IV

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| 7 a. | What is Grouting? Explain the different types of Grouting adopted in the field. | 10 |
| b. | Explain different types of Grouting materials. | 10 |
| 8. | Write short notes on; | |
| | i) Ground anchors | 20 |
| | ii) Crib walls | |
| | iii) Gabions | |

UNIT - V

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| 9 a. | What are the different types of geosynthetics? Explain. | 10 |
| b. | What are the important functions of geosynthetics? Explain any four of them. | 10 |
| 10 a. | Explain mechanical properties of geosynthetics. | 10 |
| b. | Write short note on Hydraulic property of geosynthetics. | 10 |