M.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATION

Model Question Paper - I

Branch: Civil Engineering

Specialization: Transportation Engineering

First Semester

MCETE103 PAVEMENT ANALYSIS AND DESIGN

(Regular – 2013Admissions)		
Time: 3 Hours Max. Mark	Max. Marks: 100	
1 a) Explain flexible and rigid pavements and bring out the points of differences.	10 marks	
b) List the factors affecting design performance of pavements	10 marks	
c) Using deflection criteria, calculate the ESWL of a dual wheel assembly carrying		
2044kg each for pavement thickness of 20cm. Centre to centre spacing of tyre is		
27cm and tyre pressure is 6 kg/cm ² .	5 marks	
OR		
2 a) What are the various functions and desirable characteristics of pavements?	10 marks	
b) Explain how the elastic modulus of subgrade and base course are estimated using plate		
bearing test data	10 marks	
c) Differentiate between ESWL and EWLF	5 marks	
3 a) Discuss the vertical stress distribution under the pavement	7 marks	
b) List different methods of design of flexible pavement and state the principles	8 marks	
c) A two lane two way carriageway carries a traffic load of 1500 cvd . The rate of growth of		
traffic is 5% per annum. The design life is 5 years. The vehile damage factor is 2.5. CBR value of		
soil is 7% .Calculate a) Cumulative number of standard axles to be used in the design b) Total		
pavement thickness,c) composition of the pavement	10 marks	
OR		
4 a) Explain the CBR and IRC methods of design of flexible pavements. Discuss the advantages		
and limitations.	10 marks	
b) Explain Burmister's two layer and three layer theory	5 marks	
c) Discuss the concept of equal vertical deflection criteria and applying deflection criteria		
calculate the ESWL of a dual wheel assembly carrying 20.44 kN each for pavement		
thickness of 15 cm. Centre to centre spacing of tyre is 27cm and tyre pressure is 60N/cm ²		
	10 marks	

5 a) Discuss the design principles of rigid pavement. 5 marks b) Calculate the stresses at interior, edge and corner regions, of a concrete pavement using Westergaards stress equation for the following data: Wheel load=4100 kg,tyre Modulus of elasticity of concrete=3.3*10⁵ kg/cm² Pavement thickness=18cm, Modulus of subgrade reaction=2.5kg/cm³ Diameter of loaded area =25cm, Poisson's ratio of concrete= 0.15 10 marks c) Explain the need for joints in cement concrete pavements and mention the IRC guidelines for joint spacing 10 marks OR 6 a) Explain the development and action of temperature stress in rigid pavements. How to reduce 10 marks temperature stress in pavements. b) Design and detail dowel bars at expansion joints of a concrete pavement of thickness 20 cm, and design wheel load of 41 kN. Assume load capacity of dowel system as 40% of design wheel load. Joint width 25mm, permissible stress in dowel bars, shear stress 10kN/cm² and flexural stress 14kN/cm². Bearing stress in concrete permissible is 1kN/cm²,K- value on sub base is 80 N/cm³ 10 marks c) Sketch the details of the following 1) Dummy contraction joint.2) A tongue and grooved 5 marks warping joint 7 a) Explain the necessity of design approach and method of strengthening of existing Pavements for the following cases. i)Flexible overlay over flexible pavement 5 marks ii)Rigid overlay over rigid pavement 5 marks iii)Rigid overlay over flexible pavement 5 marks iv)Flexible overlay over rigid pavement 5 marks b) Write a note on Pavement Maintanence Management System 5 marks OR 8 a) What are the methods of pavement evaluation? 10 marks b) Describe the Benkelman Beam and its uses? 10 marks 5 marks c) Explain white topping