

**BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MESRA, RANCHI  
(END SEMESTER EXAMINATION)**

**CLASS: MTECH  
BRANCH: CIVIL**

**SEMESTER : I  
SESSION : MO/19**

**SUBJECT: CE516 - ADVANCED FOUNDATION ENGINEERING**

**TIME: 3 HOURS**

**FULL MARKS: 50**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. The question paper contains 5 questions each of 10 marks and total 50 marks.
  2. Attempt all questions.
  3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
  4. Before attempting the question paper, be sure that you have got the correct question paper.
  5. Tables/Data hand book/Graph paper etc. to be supplied to the candidates in the examination hall.
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- Q.1(a) Compare between General shear and Local shear failure. Draw necessary figures. [4]  
Q.1(b) A square footing of 2 m width has to carry a net vertical load of 2400 kN, excluding its self weight. [6]  
The depth of foundation is 1 m. The subsoil consists of a stratum of dense sand having a bulk unit weight of 18.8 kN/m<sup>3</sup> and an angle of internal friction of 36°. Determine the factor of safety of the footing against a general shear failure. Use Terzaghi's equation. Given, for angle of internal friction of 36°,  $N_c = 65.8$ ,  $N_q = 49.3$ ,  $N_\gamma = 54$ .

- Q.2 Design a trapezoidal combined footing for uniform pressure under dead load (DL) plus reduced live load (reduced LL), with the following data: Allowable soil pressures- 170 kN/m<sup>2</sup> for DL + reduced LL; 240 kN/m<sup>2</sup> for DL + LL. [10]  
Column loads:

	Column A	Column B
DL	640 kN	810 kN
LL	450 kN	1050 kN

- Q.3(a) What is the use of underreamed pile? In which type of soil it is mostly used? [2]  
Q.3(b) What do you mean by (i) Compaction pile, (ii) Batter pile? [2]  
Q.3(c) A square pile group of 16 piles passes through a recently filled up material of 4.5 m depth. The diameter of the pile is 40 cm and pile spacing is 90 cm centre to centre. If the unconfined compression strength of the cohesive material is 60 kN/m<sup>2</sup> and unit weight is 15 kN/m<sup>3</sup>, compute the negative skin friction of the pile group. [6]
- Q.4(a) A circular well has an external diameter of 7.5 m and is sunk into a sandy soil to a depth of 20 m below the maximum scour level. The resultant horizontal force is 1800 kN. The well is subjected to a moment of 36000 kN-m about the maximum scour level due to lateral force. Determine whether the well is safe against lateral forces, assuming the well to rotate (i) about a point above the base, (ii) about the base. Assume submerged unit weight of soil = 10 kN/m<sup>3</sup>, angle of internal friction = 36°. Use a factor of safety of 2 against passive resistance. [6]  
Q.4(b) What are the different types of pier foundations? Mention the advantages of the same. [4]
- Q.5(a) What are the tests used to identify expansive soil? Briefly discuss. [5]  
Q.5(b) Write a short note on preventive measures/ treatment of expansive soils. [5]