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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

- 1. Section A is COMPULSORY consisting of TEN questions carrying TWO marks each.
- 2. Section B contains FIVE questions carrying FIVE marks each and students have to attempt any FOUR questions.
- 3. Section C contains THREE questions carrying TEN marks each and students have to attempt any TWO questions.

SECTION A

1.

- a) What are the advantages of preloading methods?
- b) Define coefficient of surcharge.
- c) What do you mean by liquifaction.
- d) What are solution grouts.
- e) What precautions should be taken while mixing a grout.
- f) What is the difference between vibro compaction and vibro displacement compaction.
- g) Give applications of soil-lime columns.
- h) What are the disadvantages of thermal methods for soil improvement
- i) Name various grouting materials.
- j) What are displacement piles.

SECTION B

- **2.** Explain Dynamic compaction technique for soil stabilization? What are the merits of this technique'?
- **3.** Enumerate the effects of soil stabilization by heating
- **4.** Is preloading method really a hydraulic modification of the ground or should it be discussed as a mechanical modification? Explain
- **5.** Write brief notes on jet grouting and its applications?

6. Explain the factors influencing the increase in strength of treated soil?

SECTION C

- 7. What are the various vibro compaction methods used for densification? Explain in detail.
- **8.** Explain the separation and filtration function of geotextiles. Mention the applications based on these functions.
- 9. A 3.5 m high and 7m wide embankment is to be built on soft ground with a basal geotextile layer. Calculate the geotextile strength and modulus required in order to prevent block sliding on the geotextile. Assume that the embankment material has a unit weight of 15 KN/m³. The angle of shearing resistance is 33° and the geotextile -soil interface angle of shearing resistance is one third of that value